

[Cover - Brantford Orphans' Home. Album]

INMATES

ORPHAN'S HOME.

tors, and Mrs. Shenston Miss Shenston phans' Home in Brantford was formally (the matron) and the assistants were very opened. The attendance on the occasion was very large, and was composed of our most prominent citizens who attend the various churches. We noticed present : Judge Jones, Rev. J. C. Usher and wife (Episcopalian) Rev. J. Gemley and wife (Methodist) Rev. John Wood and wife (Congregational) Rev. J. Lowry and wife (Presbyterian) Rev. Wm. Stewart and wife (Baptist) Sheriff Smith and wife, County Attorney VanNorman and wife, Alfred Watts and wife, Thomas Botham and wife, W. H. Stratford and Mrs. John Stratford. H. W. Brethour and wife, I. Cockshutt and wife, Dr. Corson and wife, D. Plewes and wife, R. Sproule and wife, B. G. 'Tisdale and wife, W. Buck and wife, James Woodyatt and wife, H. C. Waterous and wife, T. Cowherd and wife, Francis Foster, Mrs. Carey, E. Brophy and wife, W. C. Scott. J. Hale, Mrs. T. B, McMahon, Mrs. Racey, Mrs. Alger, Mrs. Cochrane, F. Leonard and wife, James Wilkes and wife, Mrs. Blackader, Dr. Tufford and wife, Dr. Griffin, E. Roy and wife, Thos. Broughton and daughters, Robert Mathison and wife, Jas. Wallace and wife, W. Watt and wife, Chas Duncan and wife, John Montgomery and wife. Allen Cleghorn and sister, John Taylor, James Moore and wife, J. B. Meacham and wife, Alex. Robertson, John Edgar and wife, Henry Wade and wife, A. W. Smith and wife, F. Ellis, George Foster and wife, M. Whitham and wife, C. Jarvis and wife, B. F. Fitch and wife, John Pierce and wife, D. Brooke, J. D. Clement and wife, C. Powley and wife, ---- McKenzie. Esq., Toronto; Mr. Belding and wife, Mr. Welding and wife, F. P. Goold and wife, and others.

The Home is a substantial brick building, situated on Sheridan street, one of the under the charge of the matron-her usual most healthy parts of the town. Its very place of worship. Miss Shenston, sister to appearance outside gives token of neatness Mr. S., will be matron, and we do not and comfort within. On entering, we are think a better selection could be made: uskered into the reception room, which is she very generously gives all her time and tastefully furnished. On the lower flat is attention to the duties for nothing. Dr. the school room, dining room, kitchen and Corson consented with pleasure to act as spare room. Up stairs are the bed rooms, Physician for one year free of charge. Mr. bath room, the private rooms of the ma- Shenston will have the entire management tron, and a room in which the little people in his hands, and those who know him will will prepare their lessons and engage in at once say that he is the right man. such recreation as may be provided. The All who were at the opening of the Home object of the institution is to afford a felt thankful that the Lord had put it into HOME for female orphans who are friend- the hearts of Mr. Shenston and Mr. Cockless. After they have arrived at an age shutt to undertake the good work. as they when they can earn their own livelihood, are no doubt animated with the purest mothey will be put out as servants and ap- tives for the benefit of the helples orphans prentices, and their future will be strictly who may seek refuge within is wolls. We looked after understand three ornhan girles will the and

attentive in shewing though through the building. All was neathess, cleanliness and good order ; the bed room for the inmates is especially fitted up with due regard to comfort. After all present had inspected the interior, they were called together in the duning room and kitchen .---Judge Jones occupied the chair, and short addresses were delivered by Mr. D. Brooke. Mr. C. Duncan, Rev. J. C. Usher, Mr. Sherston and Mr. Cockshutt. The Revs. W. Stewart, J. Gemley, J. Wood, and T. Lowry also took part in the exercises. The Baptist Church choir was also present, under the leadership of Mr. A.W.Smith. Mr Shenston gave an account of how the Home was first thought of, and in what manner it had assumed a reality. The idea was ceived by Mr. Shenston, and with the

ject in view he called upon Mr. Cockautt and asked him to co-operate with him n the undertaking. Mr Cockshutt assented, bought the ground and erected the building at an expense of \$4000 or \$5000, besides giving \$100 towards furnishing it. Mr. Shenston intends to provide for fifteen orphan children out of his own means, and if more than that number seek admission he will then make a call on the charitably disposed; and we feel assured that when he does ask for aid the request will be cheerfully complied with. The Home will accommodate 30 inmates. The little ones will be made as, happy as possible, so that they may look back upon the time spent within its walls with pleasure. Great attention will be paid to religious exercises and to training the children's minds to the orderly observance of the Sabbath, so that y the time they become able to understand the Christian duties before them, they will the more readily and naturally fall into proper habits. On Sunpay they will attend the Baptist Church

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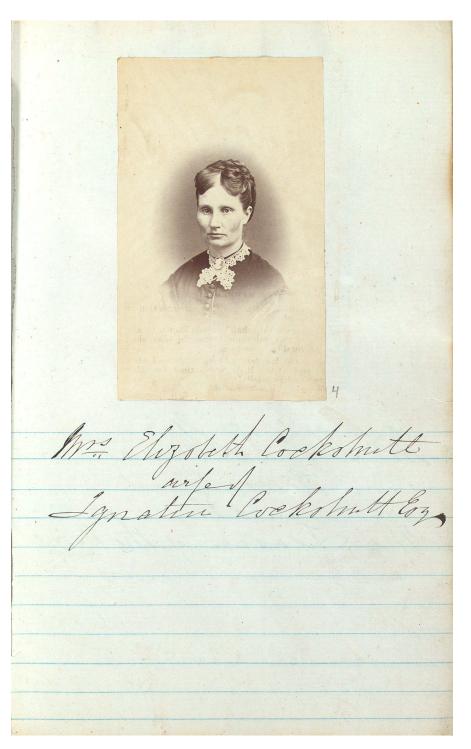


[Brantford Street scene showing two churches]

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Ignatius Cockshutt Esq. Brantford, Ont.

The owner of the "Orphans Home". A lease of the "Home" has been given to Mr. Shenston for 12 years from January 1, 1869 free of rent or charge



Mrs. Elizabeth Cockshutt wife of Ignatius Cockshutt Esq.



Mr. Thomas S. Shenston Brantford Ont.

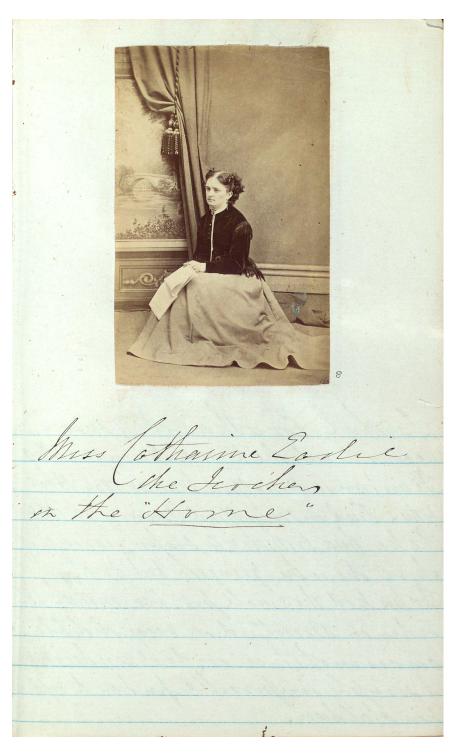
The Leasee of the "Home"



Mrs. Mary Shenston wife of Thos. S. Shenston



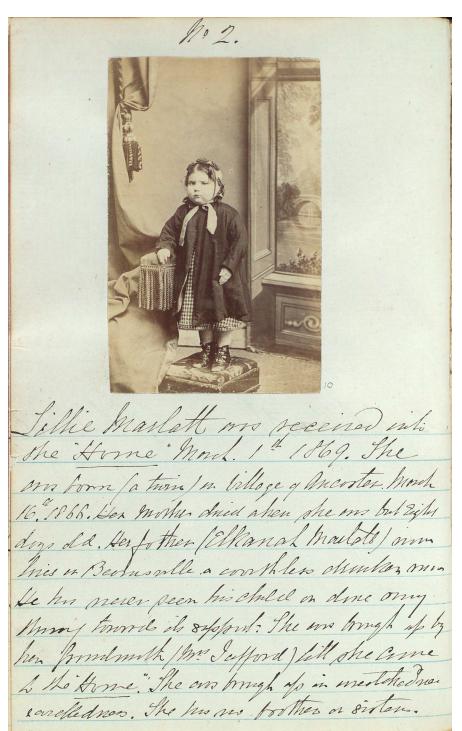
Miss Jemima Shenston the Matron of the "Home"



Miss Catharine Eadie the teacher in the "Home"



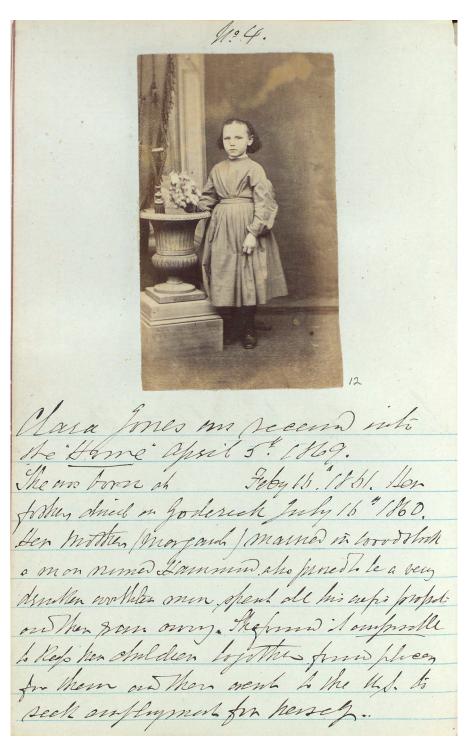
Isabel Cowthard was received into the "Home" January 28th, 1869. She was born in Brantford May 28, 1864. Her father died in Brantford, January 12, 1868. She has three brothers & 4 sisters living, of whom she is the youngest but one. She has had the small pox. Her mother resides in Brantford in very destitute circumstance indeed, rendering it simply impossible for her to support her children.



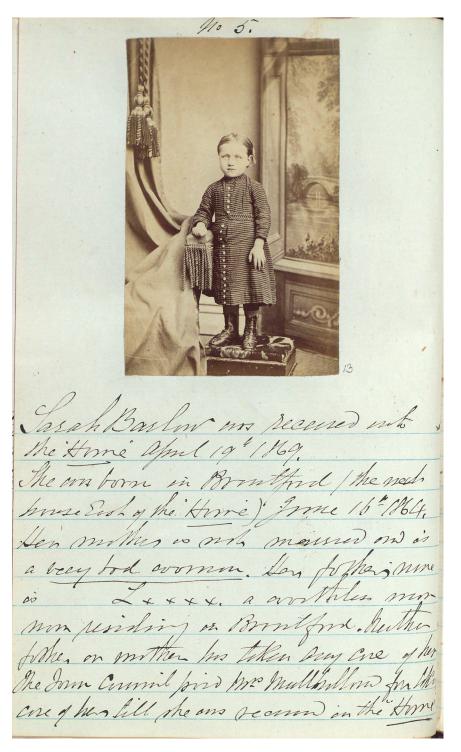
Lillie Marlatt was received into the "Home" March 1st, 1869. She was born (a twin) in village of Ancaster March 16th, 1866. Her mother died when she was but eight days old. Her Father (Elkanah Marlatt) now lives in Beamsville a worthless drunken man. He has never seen his child or done any thing towards its support. She was brought up by her grandmother (Mrs. Tafford) till she came to the "Home". She was brought up in wretchedness & wickedness. She has no brother or sisters.

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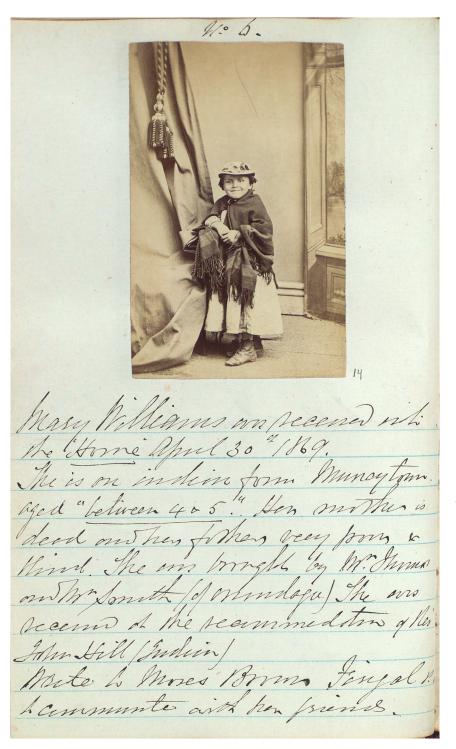
Mary Jane Ward was received into the "Home" January 31st, 1869. She was born at [blank] County of Simcoe July 21st, 1862. Her mother's name is Mary Ann & lives in Brantford and her father's (?) John who lives in the U.S. Mrs. W. says that her husband is a drunkard & worthless & that they separated by mutual consent each taking some of the children. Common report says differently. In every respect it was a wretched place from which Mary Jane was taken.



Clara Jones was received into the "Home" April 5th, 1869. She was born at [blank] Feby 16th, 1861. Her father died in Goderich July 16, 1860. Her mother (Margaret) married in Woodstock a man named Hammond who proved to be a very drunken worthless man. Spent all his wife's property and then ran away. She found it impossible to keep her children together, found places for them and then went to the U.S. to seek employment for herself.



Sarah Barlow was received into the "Home" April 19th 1869. She was born in Brantford (the next house East of the "Home") June 16th 1864. Her mother is not married and is a very bad woman. Her father's name is Lxxxx, a worthless man now residing in Brantford. Neither father or mother has taken any care of her. The Town Council paid Mrs Mullholland for taking care of her till she was received in the "Home".



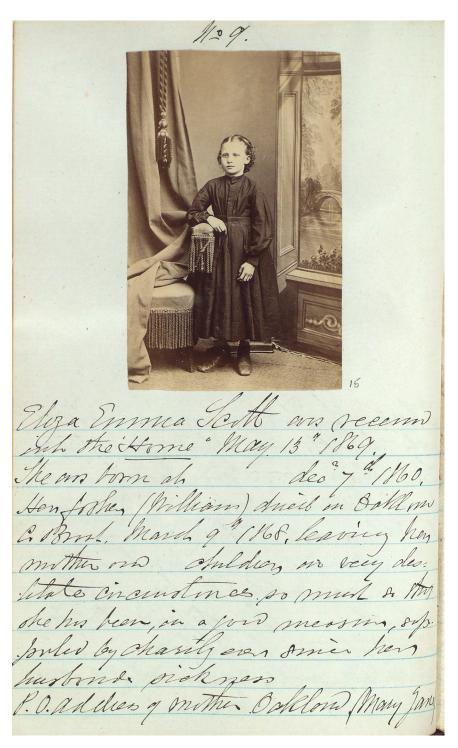
Mary Williams was received into the "Home" April 30th, 1869. She is an Indian from Munceytown aged "between 4 & 5". Her mother is dead and her father very poor & blind. She was brought by Mr. Thomas and Mr. Smith (of Onandaga). She was received at the recommendation of Rev. John Hill (Indian) Write to Moses Buras, Fingal P.O. to communicate with her friends.

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Ellen Thomas was received into the "Home" April 30th, 1869. She is an Indian from Munceytown, "about 9 years old." Her mother died about a month ago and father poor & sick. She could not be induced to sit for her photograph. She and her sister Elizabeth attempted time & again to run away, nor would she make any attempt to talk English. She was sent home May 25/69. She wept when she came to bid good bye.

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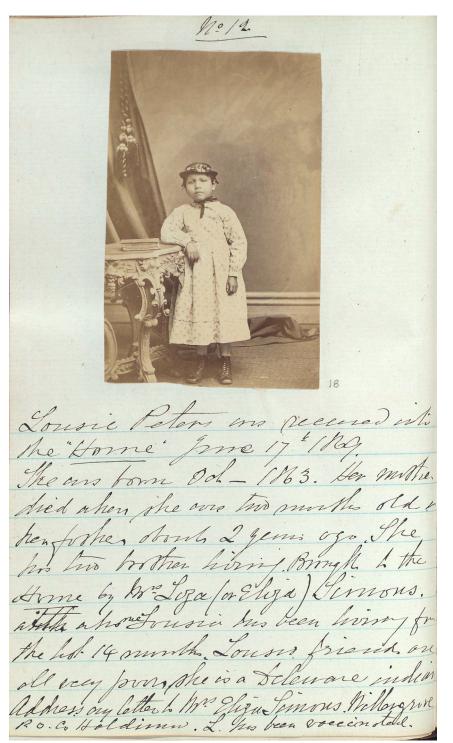
Eliza Emma Scott was received into the "Home" May 13th, 1869. She was born at [blank] Dec 7th, 1860. Her father (William) died in Oakland, Co. Brant, March 9th, 1868, leaving her mother and [blank] children in very destitute circumstances, so much so that she has been, in a good measure, supported by Charity every since her husband's sickness. P.O. address of mother, Oakland (Mary Jane)



Julia Ann Clement was rec'd into the "Home" May 17th, 1869. She was born at [blank] 17, 1866. Her father died at Wolverton June 1st, 1868, leaving a widow with 7 children in very destitute circumstances. The little furniture she had was recently dest. by fire. Finding it impossible to keep her family together she placed them all out in order to work out herself. Julia Ann is the youngest.

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Mary Ann Johnston was received into the Home June 15th, 1869. She was born [blank]. Her father who was a poor, drunken worthless man died when she was an infant and her mother has been in the asylum some eight years. They lived in Onandaga. She has lived with her uncle Wm. Dulton since she was two or three years of age. She has attended both day school and S. School a little. Is about 12 years old.



Lousie Peters was received into the "Home" June 17th, 1869. She was born Oct. ___, 1863. Her mother died when she was two months old & her father about 2 years ago. She has two brothers living. Brought to the Home by Mrs. Liza (or Eliza) Simons, with whom Lousie has been living for the last 14 months. Lousie friends are all very poor. She is a Delaware indian. Address any letter to Mrs. Eliza Simons. Willowgrove P.O. Haldiman. L. has been vaccinated.



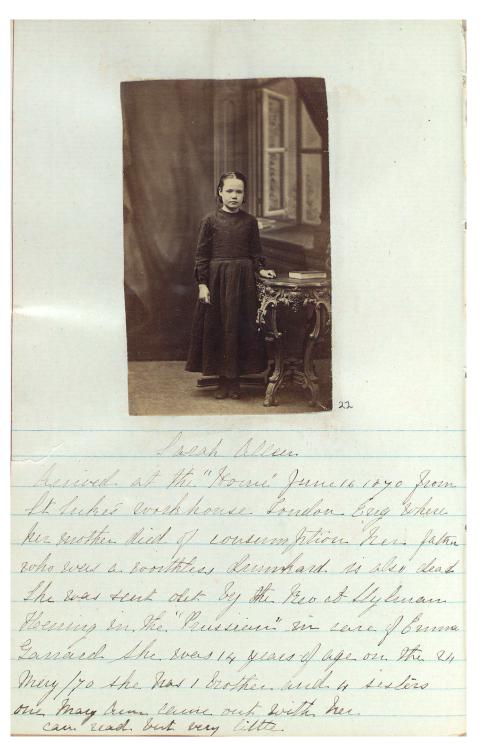
Georgianna Bennett was received into the "Home" April 30, 1870. She was born in England and sent out by a Mr. Geo. Wilson. She sailed from Liverpool in the "Austrian" in care of a Mrs. Edwards. Her parents are dead. She has one sister and one brother and is about 6 years of age.

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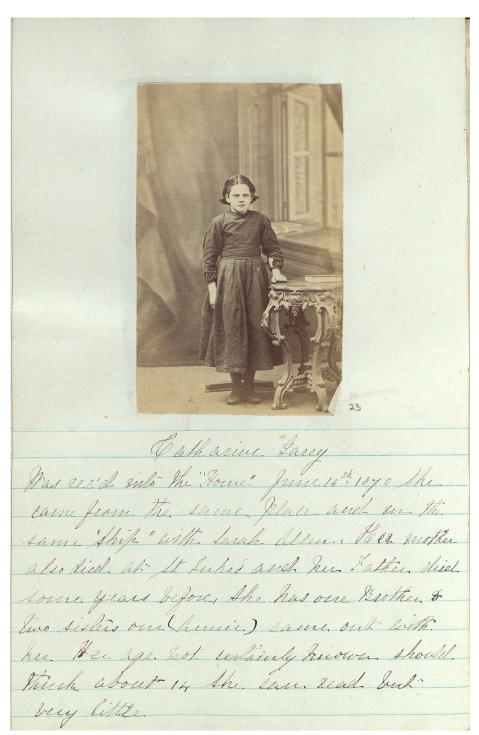
Mary Slats was received into the "Home" Feb. 2, 1870. She is an indian from Mohawk, right age not known should think about 12. Her mother is dead and her father a worthless drunkard. She has 2 brothers and one sister. Was brought to the "Home" by Mr. Garlow. She could not speak English.

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Charlotte Ann Wadsworth was rec'd into the "Home" April 30, 1870. She sailed from Liverpool in company with Georgie Bennett see page [blank] sent out also by Mr. Wilson. Her parents are dead. She has two sisters and is about 7 years of age.



Sarah Allen arrived at the "Home" June 16, 1870 from St. Luke's workhouse London Eng where her mother died of consumption. Her father who was a worthless drunkard is also dead. She was sent out by the Rev.'d A. Styleman Herring in the "Prussian" in care of Emma Garrard. She was 14 years of age on the 24 May /70. She has 1 brother and 4 sisters one Mary Ann came out with her. Can read but very little.



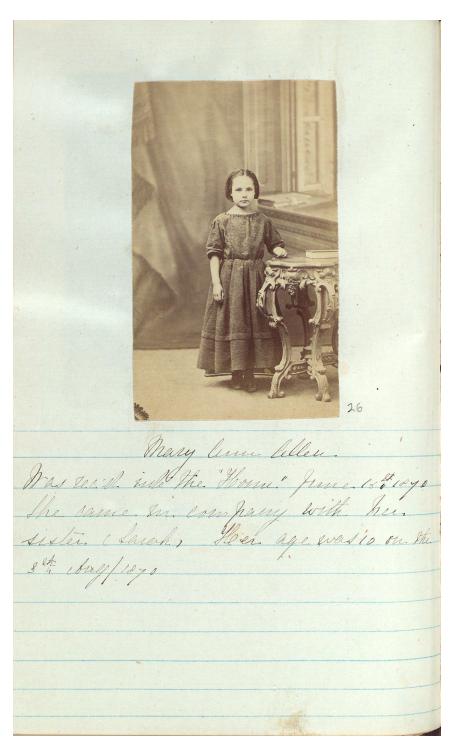
Catharine Garey was rec'd into the "Home" June 16th, 1870. She came from the same place and in the same "ship" with Sarah Allen. Her mother also died at St. Luke's and her father died some years before. She has one brother & two sisters one (Annie) came out with her. Her age not certainly known should think about 14. She can read but very little.

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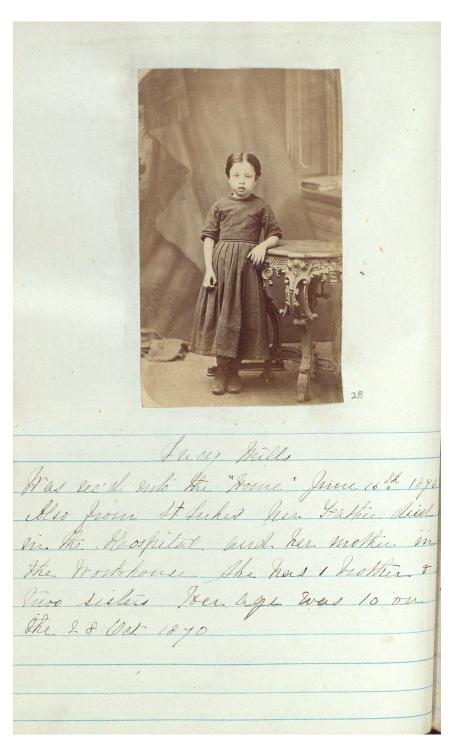
Annie Garey was rec'd into the "Home" June 16th, 1870 also from St. Luke's. She came in company with her sister, Catharine. Aged about 8.



Mary Ann Allen was rec'd into the "Home" June 16th, 1870 also from St. Luke's. She came in company with her sister (Sarah). Her age was 10 on the 5th Aug. / 1870.



Louisa Folks was received into the "Home" June 16th, 1870. She came from St. Luke's Workhouse London Eng. Her parents are dead. Has two brothers and two sisters. She is about 6 years of age.



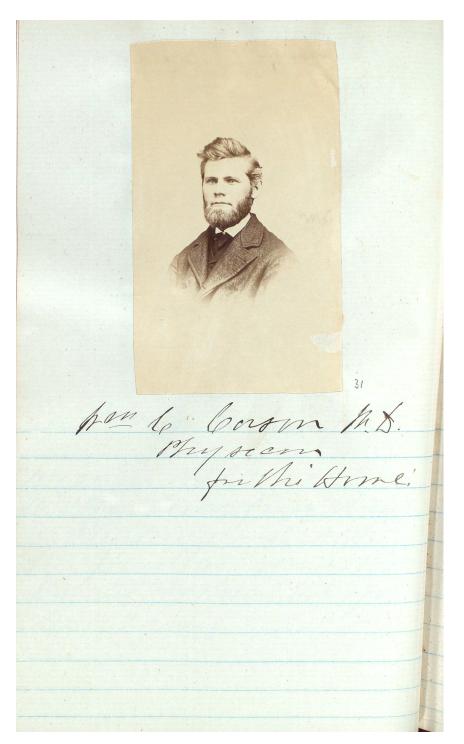
Lucy Mills was rec'd into the "Home" June 16th, 1870. Also from St. Luke's. Her father died in the Hospital and her mother in the Workhouse. She has 1 brother & two sisters. Her age was 10 on the 28 Oct. 1870.



Elizath Burn was rec'd in the "Home" June 16th, 1870. Came from London, Eng. on the Prussian. Her Mother died when she was an infant & after the death of her father was cruely treated by her Brother which Caused her to run away several times. When found the last time she preferred going to St. Luke's Workhouse rather than return with her brother. Has 4 brothers and 3 sisters. Her age about 10 years.

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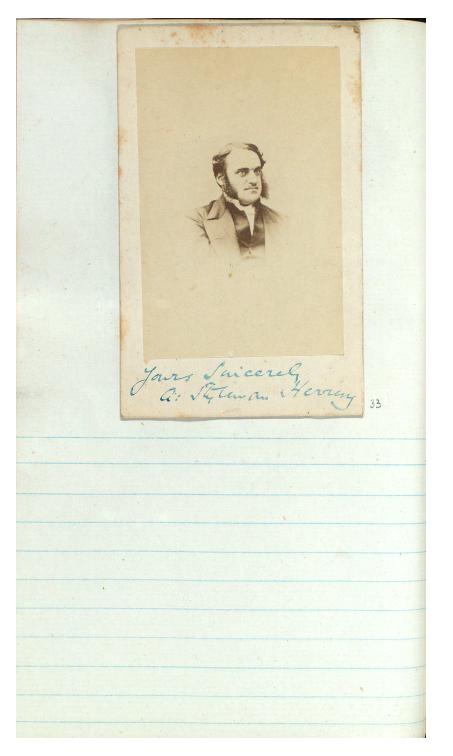
Annie Godfrey was rec'd in the "Home" June 16th, 1870. Came from St. Luke's in company with 8 others. Her parents are dead (both). Has two brothers. Her age about 8 years.



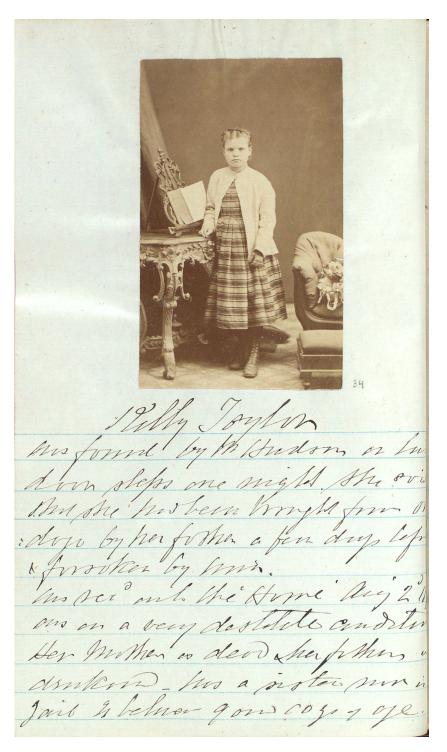
Wm. C. Corson M.D. Physician for the 'Home'



Miss Lizzie Dimmick 2° Teacher of the "Home."



Yours Sincerely, A. Styleman Herring



Kelly Taylor was found by Mr. Hudson on his door steps one night. She said that she had been brought from Ondaga by her father a few days before & forsaken by him. Was rec'd into the "Home" Aug. 2nd, 1871 was in a very destitute condition. Her mother is dead & her father a drunkard. Has a sister now in jail. Is between 9 and 10 years of age.



Elizabeth Ann Hill was rec'd into the "Home" Jan. 7, 1870. She is partly Indian but speaks English. Was brought by Mr. Burk. Her mother is dead & her father a drunkard. Is about 6 years of age.