

cepted, and the object of the Society approved of by his Excellency, who directed the Committee to be furnished with *one hundred great coats, one hundred pairs of stockings, forty blankets, fifty bill hooks, and twelve cot bedsteads*, at a time when many individuals were suffering from want of these articles.

As it was evident that the funds of this Charity would necessarily be of very general application, it appeared to your Committee to be likewise their duty to apply to the Legislature, then in session, for aid in behalf of the benevolent objects embraced by it; and they are happy to add, that they were not disappointed in their application, the sum of *fifty pounds* having been voted them by that Honorable Body, which has since been received into the funds.

On the arrival of our present worthy Governor Sir JAMES KEMPT, a Committee was also appointed to wait upon his Excellency with a copy of the rules and regulations of the Society, and to solicit his Excellency's favorable consideration; to which he was pleased to reply, "that he would be most happy to contribute to the funds of the Society,† and to give to the Committee, for the use of the poor, any articles of clothing and bedding of which he might have the disposal;" but the season of the year at which the wants of the poor for these articles are most pressing having scarcely yet arrived, your Committee have not availed themselves of his Excellency's kindness by making an application for them.

Your Committee feel it to be their duty to remark upon their endeavours to redeem the pledge given to the public in the Society's address, that its exertions should be used to destroy the system of *juvenile begging*; and therefore observe, that to accom-

† P. S. Since the accounts of the Society have been made up, the Committee have received from his Excellency Sir JAMES KEMPT, the very liberal donation of Ten Pounds.