

bearers and a detail of its work will be found affixed to this report.

The Society hopes to be able to extend its good work in this manner through the Province, and the Council will be glad to assist in the formation of other Branches. The Secretary will be glad to give any information necessary, and correspondence on the subject is desired.

The operations of the Society have been restricted in a very great manner by the want of sufficient funds to carry out its work, but when all things are considered the Council cannot but feel grateful that they have been able to accomplish so much. They desire to express their sincere thanks to the subscribers by whose timely and kind aid they have been able to carry on the important work of the Society, and on behalf of helpless suffering animals, appeal for more extended sympathy and support.

The thanks of the Society are tendered to the Royal Society, London, England, for copies of the *Animal World*; the Massachusetts Society, Boston, for copies of *Our Dumb Animals*, both of which have been received regularly; and to the American Society, for copies of their pamphlets, forms, etc. The Council also begs to acknowledge receipt of annual reports from very many of the Sister Societies, and notes with pleasure the increasing influence of the work in which they are actively engaged.

The compliments received from the Press are also gratefully acknowledged, as having been of great service to the Society.

The policy of the Society has been one of *prevention* rather than one of *prosecution*, the Council seeing the great necessity for educating the public rather than punishing. In many cities in the United States, "Ladies Auxiliary Societies" have been formed with marked success. The Council of the Society trust that ere long, such an assistance as this will be given to them which will enable them to extend the teachings of the Society further than they are at present able to reach.

The operations of the Society are limited through want of sufficient money to enable them to be more fully carried out, and the Council would respectfully urge from the citizens a more liberal support.

Subscriptions may be sent to any of the members of the Council direct, or paid to the Inspector.

FRANK RUTLEDGE, *Hon. Secretary.*