

in the municipality for years, and who from circumstances beyond their control had lost all they had, and had become the care of the state. This Association should urge upon the municipalities of the Province to establish comfortable homes for the old people instead of sending them to jail. He would very much like to see the law in reference to vagrancy amended. Dr. Chamberlain concluded his remarks by seconding the resolution.

Upon the resolution being put to the meeting by the Chairman it was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Robert Hall said he desired to say one or two words in reference to the latter part of the previous speaker's address. The Association he said had a home on Simcoe Street, just for the class of persons referred to by Dr. Chamberlain. As to the aged people being sent to the jail, a deputation had waited upon the Government to get them to make it compulsory for all municipalities to provide a home of industry for such. Up to the present time it was voluntary with them as to whether they did have one or not.

That while we desire to reiterate our conviction that the English system of separate confinement is the only effectual method of preventing jail contamination, and while we would express our gratification that this principle has recently been recognized in caring for first offenders in Toronto Jail, we would respectfully call the attention of the Mayor and City Council to the fact that a much better classification of the Jail inmates could be made by making provision elsewhere for two classes now confined in jail, namely, the destitute poor and the habitual inebriate. The destitute poor should have an industrial home provided on farm land not too far from the city limits, and the habitual inebriate should be treated as other sick poor are treated, namely, either by means of a special hospital or by means of a special arrangement with some of our existing hospitals.

Rev. Thomas Geoghegan, of Hamilton, said he was thoroughly in accord with the sentiments expressed in the resolution. Inebriates should be treated in a proper manner. An inebriate asylum should be established for the treatment of such. The destitute poor should be carefully looked after and not put in prison because of their poverty. By establishing what was asked for in the resolution a great benefit would be conferred upon the community as well as upon the country at large. He then moved the fifth resolution.