

We have nothing new to report as regards the "Home," with the exception of a decrease in the number of admissions, caused by a determined resolution on our part to exclude those purely "tramps." Owing, however, to the want of employment, your Committee were obliged to shelter many of those who were admitted much longer than usual.

The claims upon our weekly out-door relief proved much in excess of many previous winters, entailing great labor on the part of those ladies and gentlemen who are so earnest and attentive in visiting, relieving and reporting cases deserving of assistance to your committee. We would like to mention a few special cases relieved by us.

A young man named John Wilson, paralyzed and quite helpless, from working in water on the C. P. R., in Ontario, who had been sent to Portland, refused passage by Dominion Line and sent back here, was brought under our notice by Mr. Kirkham, G.T.R. Station Agent, (whose kindness and liberality on this occasion, is worthy of all praise). We paid his bill in the General Hospital, and saw him safely on his way to Boston, whence, by the kindness of the "Allan Line" he was forwarded direct to his friends in Glasgow. The Chairman has since received intelligence of his safe arrival, conveying the heart-felt thanks of his relations to the Society, and all who had assisted him, and anticipating for him a speedy recovery. A recent instance is that of a man, wife and nine children, assisted back to Liverpool by the Society. After matured consideration it was thought best to do this, as being less expensive than keeping them all winter, there being no hope of the husband obtaining employment here. A family of four were sent to New York, their fare, amounting to \$25.00, collected by Dr. Murray. This week we will be called upon to send a widow and child to Scotland, whose husband and father has died from small pox.

During the flood of last spring, one of your committee with Mr. Wright, President of the Caledonian Society, personally visited and relieved a number of our poor in Point St. Charles, as well as some other nationalities who were in great distress.

We desire to thank the Rev Mr. Patterson, City Missionary, and Mr. McLeod, of Stanley Street Church, for their untiring labors in connection with our out-door poor; also, the Chaplains and Physicians of the Society; Messrs. H. & A. Allan; the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company; and the Grand Trunk Railway, for reduced fares; Mr. J. A. Harte, for medicines, and all the kind friends to whom we are annually indebted for acceptable donations.

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