

care is taken that relief shall be given only to the deserving, and the public are requested to aid the house in this particular, so far as not to give too often tickets for soup to the same poor persons who call at their door, without first inquiring into their character for sobriety, or reporting their names to the Superintendent.

The managers of the house are still crippled in their resources by the reduction of the Government grant to this institution made two years ago by Parliament, and they would earnestly urge upon the charitable not to allow this excellent charity to languish for want of funds, but to increase their subscriptions and the number of subscribers, so that the disbursements made by the house may keep pace with the steady yearly increase in the number of poor requiring relief.

Every care is taken that there shall be no waste or want of economy in the management of the funds placed at their disposal, and they invite a comparison of the accompanying Treasurer's report with that of the Superintendent.

The nature of the relief given, and the amount of such relief, is clearly shown in the Superintendent's report, while the balance-sheet, duly audited, shews how economically the Trustees and Managers have administered the funds intrusted to them.

The Trustees and Managers cannot close this report without acknowledging the most valuable