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but a worthless scamp. Got the wife and child shelter and had the man arrested. Wife afterwards begged him off on his promising to take the pledge.

3956.—Mother beaten by her son, aged 16 years, while he was under the influence of liquor obtained in an illicit place. Had boy bound over to keep the peace, and the party who sold him the liquor prosecuted and fined \$50 or 3 months in Rockhead. He went to prison.

3992.—Application from a sick girl for something to be done for her. Was alone, her money exhausted, too sick to work and her friends gone. Called the attention of some charitable ladies to the case, who removed her to a comfortable place where her board was paid until she died, a few months after.

4026.—Report that a woman was about being sent to the Insane Asylum by her son although she was not insane. Saw the woman who told the story as above, and said that her son wanted to get the little propertys he had so that he could get married. The son denied any such intention, and said he would do all he could to help his mother. Has done so ever since.

## MEN.

3377.—An old man alleged to have been ill-used in a County Poors' Asylum. Investigated and found complaint unfounded.

3384—Man reported that he was a stranger and was without food or shelter. Provided for his immediate wants and got him admitted into Poors' Asylum.

3404.—Complaint that a boy had been discharged from a vessel and sent hospital with frozen feet, supposed to have been caused by ill-treatment of captain. Found that there was no foundation for this supposition.

3408.—A poor coal hawker striving to get a living for his wife and five children, applies for assistance to get his wagon repaired. It had broken down and he had no means to get it fixed. Complied with his request.

3414.—Report that a colored boy had had his feet frozen while working breaking stones in the City Prison ; that while his feet were so frozen he was set to work, and was eventually discharged in that condition. Was brought to this office by his grandfather on an old wagon with his feet tied up in a lot of rags. Complained that he had not sufficient clothing while in prison, that he had only cotton socks and no underclothing whatever. The dress consisted of cast-off soldiers' pants, tunic and overcoat, with a cotton shirt and socks. By resolution of Executive Committee of this Society the matter was brought to the notice of the Mayor, with a request that the Prison Committee should hold an investigation. This was done, and the facts as above were proved. The Governor of the Prison contended that the feet had been burned, as it was customary for prisoners to place their feet on the

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