

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF OUT- DOOR RELIEF FOR WINTER OF 1896-97.

The Board respectfully submit to the subscribers of the Outdoor Relief Fund the annual report of the proceedings during the past year, together with the accounts showing the receipts and expenditure for the same period. On December 9th, 1896, a meeting was held of city clergymen, representatives of some of the National Societies and Committees of the House of Industry and Refuge, to arrange for the winter work. After fully discussing the subject of relief, it was resolved that the operations of the Board be carried on as usual, and the following gentlemen were appointed a Committee for that purpose, and to make an appeal to the public, through the press, for donations to sustain the work, viz:—Charles Alexander, A. F. Gault, James Moore, Hon. J. K. Ward, Jeffrey H. Burland, Joseph Richards, James Wilson, William Reid, Daniel Wilson, Walter Livermore and Rev. F. Riedel. The meeting of the Board for the distribution of relief commenced on Thursday, December 17th, 1896, and were continued weekly during the winter until March 18th, 1897, as shown by annexed statement. Since the Board closed, a number of destitute families, widows, and deserted wives are being cared for.

The relief given consisted of fuel, coal and wood, bread, oatmeal and flour, tea and soap, new and second-hand clothing; each case brought under the notice of the Board was carefully investigated, and if found worthy, was relieved. The Board acknowledge and return thanks for the generous support afforded by the citizens and friends at a distance.

To the Metropolitan Coal Fund for five tons coal delivered to twenty families through the city. To the city newspapers, viz: Gazette, Herald, Witness and Star, the Board desire to return sincere thanks.

The Board desire to record the valuable services rendered to them by Rev'ds. Messrs. Patterson, McManus, DeGruchy, Duclos, Roy, Massey, and other Christian

workers in attending the Board, visiting and reporting cases that came under their notice.

The accounts current with D. McMillan, Secretary-Treasurer, duly audited, is herewith submitted, showing a deficit of \$440.79.

To receipts, contributions. . . . \$4,431 43
To loan. 1,092 82

Accounts paid. . . \$4,872 22
 " of loan paid, 640 00 \$5,512 22

To balance due on loan. . . . \$ 12 03
Less balance brought forward. . . 12 03

By deficit. \$ 440 79

CHARLES ALEXANDER,
Chairman.

D. McMILLAN,
Secretary-Treasurer.

D. McMILLAN, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BOARD OF OUTDOOR RE- LIEF.

Dr.

RECEIPTS.

Irish P. B. Society, for 23½
cords, @ \$5.20 per cord. . . . \$ 122 20
A. F. Gault. 100 00
"J" 100 00
Hugh Graham. 100 00
W. C. McDonald. 100 00
St. George's Society. 100 00
R. J. Tooke. 100 00
Miss Mary Dow, \$50, \$50. . . . 100 00
Henry Munderloh, \$50, \$50. . . 100 00
German N. Society, per H. H.
Wolff, Treasurer, \$50, \$50. . . 100 00
Miss Orkney, \$50, \$50. 100 00
Mrs. O. S. Corse, \$25, \$20, \$25
Messrs. Wm. Dow & Co., \$25,
\$25 50 00
Abner Kingman, \$25, \$25. . . . 50 00

Carried forward \$1,292 20