

the morning minus his money, applied at the Refuge, where he remained till his father was communicated with in the States, who forwarded \$10 to send him home; the Hon. Judge Jackson paid his expenses in the Home. It is plain to see that lad's future in Halifax had there been no Refuge.

In conversing with a young woman who was leading a life of sin, and who came from a certain part of Nova Scotia about 4 years ago, she told me that when she came to this city she was an entire stranger: did not know who to ask for; it was at night, but that a person she never knew before took her to a house where she was told she could remain till she got a place, but a short time convinced her that her new companion's life was different from anything she had ever known; she fell an easy prey and her name is well known to-day to the police force. Do not let one breathe a word of condemnation because she did not leave that house when she found it was bad; remember she was human and a poor weak girl.

It is not jumping at hasty conclusions to say that the number of vagrants sent to Rockhead Prison during the past three years have been much smaller than that of any like period for many years. Seldom is one sent for a less period than twelve months, which means that the city has to pay about \$60 for food and clothing alone for that man, whereas by giving shelter and food at the proper time that amount is saved (which is the lowest view) and the person saved from a prison life.

Third—A check on imposition. Numerous ladies and gentlemen have sent persons to the Refuge with a note who have applied to them for the wherewith to pay for their supper and bed, and invariably at night such applications have been made, but seldom do they come to the Refuge. Why? because they they are imposters, it is money they want, not shelter—and drink, not food. Were they real deserving cases they would be glad to avail themselves of supper, bed and breakfast.

No one need be imposed upon in this city. If those pretending to be strangers and without money, refuse, or do not use an order for the Refuge, there is something wrong; but money should not be given to any one who makes application as a stranger.

The following as taken from the Register shows the religious persuasion of those sheltered: