

There is a committee of three gentlemen from amongst the trustees and managers who meet twice a week, viz., on Tuesday and Friday in each week throughout the year, to inquire into the case of each applicant, and on being satisfied of the necessities of the case of each applicant, grant the required aid during the winter season. Whilst application is being made for a grant of fuel, the time of such committee is so taken up, that the labours of the day are frequently extended from nine in the morning till five o'clock in the afternoon, which, being a labour of love, is most cheerfully given by the gentlemen comprising the committees and entered into with much earnestness by several of the managers, who not only attend at their own appointed time, but act for those whose business and other engagements prevent them from giving that attention they would wish, and which at this time is urgently required.

Besides the weekly committees there are also ward visitors whose particular care is to visit the applicants at their houses. The labours of those gentlemen have been attended in many instances with the most beneficial effects, many who are unwilling to apply for relief have been found out and assisted, whilst many imposters have been detected, and that which has been obtained by craft has been stopped and bestowed upon the more deserving but