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## ABSTRACT OF THE FUNDAMENTAL RULES BY WHICH THE ASSOCIATION IS TO BE GOVERNED.

- 1. To consider each applicant for relief as entitled to charity until a careful examination proves the contrary.
- 2. To give relief only after a personal investigation of each case, by visitation and enquiry.
- 3. To relieve no one except through the visitor of the section in which the applicant lives.
- 4. To give the necessary articles, and only what is immediately necessary.
  - 5. To give what is least susceptible of abuse.
- 6. To give only in small quantities, and in proportion only to immediate need; and of coarser quality than might be procured by labor, except in cases of sickness.
- 7. To give assistance at the right moment; not to prolong it beyond the duration of the necessity which calls for it; but to extend, restrict and modify relief according to that necessity.
- 8. To require of each beneficiary abstinence from intoxicating liquor as a drink; of such as have young children of a proper age that they be kept at school, unless prevented by unavoidable circumstances; and that those of suitable years be apprenticed to some trade, or sent to service. The design being to make the poor parties to their own improvement and elevation; the wilful violation or disregard of these rules shall debar them from further relief.
- 9. To give no aid to persons who, from infirmity, imbecility, old age, or any other cause, are likely to continue unable to earn their own support, and consequently to be