The Managers feel bound in duty to remonstrate, respectfully but energetically, against the operation of the "Charity Aid Act, 1874," by which their annual Government grant has been reduced from $3,000 to $2,143.89 for the year 1876. The distribution of the Government allowance is, it seems, based upon the number of inmates of an institution; this distinction must, of course, tell against the House of Industry, whose inmates may, indeed, be fewer than those of other institutions, but whose field of labour is the city at large. It may be well for political economists to consider whether this Province already requires the overgrown alms-houses of the old world, or whether it would not be better to aid the poor in maintaining their little homesteads, thus keeping their families together, checking pauperism, and cherishing that spirit of independence natural to every man, and which, under a Government like ours, is one of the surest guarantees of the welfare of both State and subject.

The apprehension of a long and severe winter, entertained at the commencement of the present season, has happily, thus far, proved baseless; there is, however, much suffering among the poor, arising chiefly from want of employment. The quantity of bread distributed by the House already nearly equals the entire distribution of last year, and the demand for that necessary article is continually increasing. To remove all cause for complaints of delay in the granting of relief, the following resolutions were recently adopted, and sent for publication to the four leading daily papers:—

"That to meet the present cases of distress in the city, it be ordered that any person applying for relief, who is recommended by a member of the Board, or one of the visitors, shall at once receive temporary relief from the Superintendent, without waiting for the customary visitation; such case