

ANNUAL MEETING AND REPORT.

The Annual Meeting of the Subscribers to the Toronto House of Industry was held at the Institution on Wednesday, January 13th, at 3.30 P.M. There were present, His Worship the Mayor in the chair, Rev. Dr. Topp, Mr. Hobson, Rev. A. J. Broughall, Mr. Sheriff Jarvis, Rev. W. Henry Jones, Mr. Jacques, Mr. W. S. Lee, Alderman Henderson, Mr. J. McBain, Mr. Elmsley, Mr. R. Gilmor, Mr. Love, Mr. Magee, Mr. McCord, Mr. S. Rogers, Mr. Drummond, Dr. Ogden, Mr. H. Rowsell, and others.

The Secretary, Mr. W. J. MacDonell, read the Annual Report, as follows:—

In accordance with the Act of Incorporation the Trustees and Managers of the Toronto House of Industry beg to present this Report of the year's operations.

Although during the last few years the population of the city has largely increased, the Board are happy to say there has not been a corresponding increase of poverty. A certain degree of want does undoubtedly exist, but this is chiefly among newly-arrived immigrants, whose scanty means being exhausted, they have become dependent upon extraneous assistance. As a rule the Board consider it a duty to relieve, according to the means at their disposal, all immigrants requiring assistance during the first twelve months of their residence in the city, but unless in cases of sickness, or unforeseen misfortune, such assistance is seldom granted for the second year, it being considered that immigrants in good

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