The clerk, Mr. R. G. Halls, and the visitor, Mr. Alexander McDougall, gave close attention to the work of the Association, and the Directors regret that they will be unable to secure the services of the latter for the coming winter as his present engagements will not permit his devoting his time to the service of the Association. His courteous manner, good sound common sense, and careful, painstaking enquiries, enabled the committee to meet the various cases that arose from time to time with a fair measure of success in relieving poverty without being imposed upon by imposters.

OFFICE.

The thanks of the Directors and charitable public of Halifax are due to Mrs. Fishwick for the use of comfortable rooms free of charge at No. 241 Hollis Street, and the following note kindly conveys a like favour for the approaching season:—

HALIFAX, 17th November, 1886.

JOHN DOULL, Esq. :

Dear Sir,—In reply to yours of 15th, I am happy to offer the rooms over the office again for your use for the relief of the poor, which please accept as my small donation for the same.

I am yours, very truly, E. FISHWICK.

CITY PRESS.

The Directors beg to thank the following papers for services rendered in aid of their work without charge: "The Recorder, Morning Herald, and Morning Chronicle."

OVERSIGHT.

In speaking of the work of the Directors it is simply to point out to contributors that great care is taken in the distribution of funds at their disposal. Every day the office was open from 9 to 12, and 3 to 4 p.m., and in the morning one or two of the Directors were present in turn to consider