

Committee each day, to inspect the tickets, and to see that the delivery accorded with them.

The Gentlemen, who at the request of your Committee, performed the important duty of visitors, are entitled to the warmest acknowledgments of your Committee and of the society at large, for the cheerful and satisfactory manner in which they performed that duty. Without their zealous and faithful co-operation, the wants of a distressed community could not have been so judiciously, and discriminately relieved as they assuredly have been.

Agreeably to the 4th Resolution passed at the annual meeting, a "Committee of Industry" were appointed to carry said resolution into effect. As many persons in good health, and able to work, appeared in the lists of your society, it was agreed that the "Committee of Industry" should meet at stated periods to examine into their respective cases, and to prevent thereby any such persons from receiving *undeservedly and improperly* any relief from the society's funds. The visitors were instructed "to give no relief to any such persons, until they had been examined by said Committee—been found by them to be *fit objects* of relief, from the circumstance of their having no means of supporting themselves, by their being unable (as was the fact) to get any work—until their tickets had been countersigned accordingly by one of said Committee."—thus affording at once, a check to imposition, and a proof, that merely "getting up a story, and putting on a sorry countenance," could not be an effectual "passport to the magazines of the society." The Committee of Industry "reported to your Committee, that they could not obtain any employment for the persons who applied to them, and whom they examined, and found to be willing to work, could employment be obtained for them."

Your Committee during the last month, finding a balance in the hands of the Treasurer, and that the article of wood was selling at a very low price, placed the sum of one hundred pounds in the hands of a sub-committee, to be expended for the purchase of that article; and they are fully persuaded, that the want of *fuel* is felt more *sensibly*, than any thing, among our Poor. One hundred and eleven and five-eighths cords have been purchased, and by permission of J. W. Tapp, Esq. is now placed in his H. M. Fuel Yard:—there yet remains of the sum voted, £9: 10: 6½ to be expended.

During the period which your Committee have been in office, the subject of a Saving's Bank has been agitated. In April, the Honourable the Attorney General, met with your Committee, and laid before them a plan for the establishment of a Saving's Bank, which was fully considered of at a subsequent meeting of your Committee, several amendments proposed, and then returned to the Attorney General, *where the subject rested*. Your Committee however most strenuously recommend the adoption of some measure, to assist the industrious and saving of our poor, in putting aside some part of their earnings during the summer season, where it may accumulate, and be held in safe keeping:—affording thereby a new stimulus to prudence and economy. In our sister province New Brunswick, two Saving's Banks have been instituted and patronized by Sir Howard Douglas, and which promise the happiest effects.

Your Committee lost nothing. Its utility still continues to augment—and continues to honor to those which it flourishes. rally approved; patronized; every other conduct it; this society, against every satisfied that of any other tously rendered. Its charity is some would have invectives against more of the value the relief afforded ever is it four three quarters of persons, and society commends relief given to per annum. Private charity, from his for the Poor more judiciously to do and those who deceived, yet number of work enough, however put down, or its are to relieve one from starvation refused; as the sued" they must therefore; "less scarcely two months stated to the pulpit, and in a

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