

REPORT

OF THE

CHARITABLE COMMITTEE ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

It will be gratifying to the Society at large to learn that the Committee have been enabled to afford relief during the past year, in sixty nine cases of distress, at an expenditure of £127 17s. 6d.

This being considerably in excess of any former year most satisfactorily proves that the usefulness of the Society has by no means diminished.

The means available for Charitable purposes being principally derived from the interests of the Invested Permanent Fund, it would be very desirable that the fund should be annually augmented, and it is to be hoped that those members of the Society, who have the ability, will aid by bequests, or occasional donations.

Your Committee have, as far as in their power, faithfully and prudently expended the money entrusted to them, but they fear that occasionally they may have been deceived by misrepresentation, and they would strongly urge upon the members of the Society, the necessity of investigating all cases, before recommending them for relief.

A very erroneous idea prevails in Western Canada, and the adjoining States, that we have funds at our command sufficient to pay the Atlantic passage of infirm Englishmen, who desire to return to their friends and parishes. Once for all, your Committee think, the Society should distinctly state, that

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