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THE Trustees and Managers of the Toronto House of Industry, in accordance with their Act of Incorporation, beg to submit the following report of the affairs of the charity for the past year, to the subscribers and the public.

Since the last annual meeting, as will be seen from the accompanying statements, a large amount of relief has been afforded by the institution to the poor of the city. The winter of 1859-60 having proved one of great severity, and consequently called for unusual exertion on the part of the Board, who while anxious to grant relief to all truly deserving applicants, were yet equally anxious to guard against imposition. The system of ward visiting adopted by the Board, and alluded to in a former report, has been kept in successful operation, by which means each family applying for relief is personally visited, and a report made to the Weekly Committee thereon. Of such importance is this plan considered by the Board, that they can scarcely imagine any organisation for the relief of the poor could be successfully conducted without it.

The Trustees and Managers would again express a desire, that all who take an interest in the working