

CASUALS.

8. The number sheltered in the Warfarers' Lodge during the winter ranged from 20 to 70 each night, the average being 44, a slight increase over last year, the average then being 40, but still a heavy decline from the year previous, the average then being 100.

The stone-breaking test is still rigorously applied, which accounts in a great measure for the permanent decline in the number of this class receiving aid from the Institution.

9. The separate reports of the various Standing Committees of the House, furnish further and interesting details for the information of the friends and subscribers of the Charity.

10. The regular religious services for the inmates are carried on by the various denominations interested and the large hall recently erected in the South wing very much increases the interest and effectiveness of these gatherings.

11. The Superintendent and Mrs. Laughlen have had additional responsibilities and duties imposed upon them during the year owing to the extensive alterations and additions in progress during the whole year, but all the details of the work were well attended to notwithstanding these drawbacks.

12. The Matron and her daughter discharged the duties of that department efficiently although sharing in the exceptional trials of the year caused by the building operations, and in addition had thirty per cent. increase in the number of inmates to look after.

13. The Treasurer's Statement furnishes full details not only of the cost of maintenance of the inmates and of distributing the City funds for the relief of the outdoor poor, but also the actual cost of the extensive additions made to the building.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Secretary.

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