

[N. B.—It may be well to state here that employers have no *right* to search servants' trunks, and by doing so against their will may get themselves into serious trouble. Some mistresses do it simply to hurt a girl's feelings. This is wrong. If anything is missing the proper way to do is to get a search warrant at the Police Court. A proper officer will then make the search and if any of the stolen articles are found action can be taken upon it. On the other hand if nothing is found the person swearing out the warrant will render himself liable to an action.]

On receiving a report that a woman was starving in one of the upper streets, went up and found her in a state of nudity upon a mass of rags, and delirious from want of food and from sickness. Borrowed some clothes from neighbours, nearly as poor as herself, and took her to the hospital. She died next day, never having rallied.

Received a telegram that a girl had left the country that day and was suspected to have gone to Halifax with a certain party. Made enquiry and found girl in a disreputable house. Took her out and returned her to her friends.

Wife reported that her drunken husband had beaten and ill-used her because she could not give him some money. Had been out house-cleaning all day, and the lady of the house not having the change with which to pay her she was unable to meet the demands of her husband. Her inability was taken by him as a refusal and hence her beating. This man is an old offender and we have tried, on the earnest solicitation of his wife, all sorts of ways to reform him, but without success. His custom was, when his wife had no work, to go out and do some small job whereby he would get 25 cents, with which he would buy a flask of whiskey, and get a volume of light literature from the Circulating Library and then go home, lie down on the bed, read the book and drink the whiskey until he fell asleep. By the time his wife came home from work he was ready for another flask. Their child he even refused to look after, so that the mother had to get a neighbour to take care of it. It was determined to make an example of this man, he was therefore arrested and sentenced to six months hard labor. The wife and child were sent to her friends in the country.