

distribution commenced at one o'clock, on the afternoon of Christmas Eve, and was completed by half-past six, by which time the following provisions were given away:—

Beef, Mutton, &c., 7,224 lbs.; Geese, 4; Pigs Heads, 3; Potatoes, 156 bushels; Turnips, 156 Bushels; Cabbages, 84 heads; Apples, 1 barrel; Flour, 1 barrel; Quartern Loaves, 542; Tea, 15 lbs.; Coffee, 6 lbs.; Sugar, 10 lbs.

Of those relieved a very large number were not English. But as the store of provisions entrusted to us was sufficient to meet every call, the geographical question of birth, but rarely raised at any time by Englishmen, was entirely set aside. It was enough that the applicant was in distress and considered worthy of assistance. Our object, so far as lay in our power, was to diffuse some ray of content in that season of peace and good will. We venture to hope that we did not entirely fail in our purpose, for so far as we know not an applicant went away unsatisfied.

The Committee look back with some pride to the part which the Society took in inaugurating the subscription for the Lancashire operatives. When the fact became known of the terrible distress in England, it was felt to be the duty of every portion of the Empire without regard to its latitude and longitude on the earth's surface to contribute towards solacing it. Some movement had already been made to this effect in Eastern Canada, and as no appearance of similar exertion could then be seen in this city, the members of the Society felt that, as Englishmen, with great propriety they could make use of the organization at their disposal and collect subscriptions. A meeting was therefore called and a committee appointed to solicit subscriptions. It was by no means wished that the movement should be limited to our own members. The books of the collectors engaged in obtaining subscriptions especially set forth that the sums were "collected