

Report of the Directors

For the year ending December 1st, 1870.

THE Directors of the HALIFAX DISPENSARY, at the commencement of another year, beg leave to present, for the information of the subscribers, the Corporation, and the Legislature—from which sources their funds are derived—a brief account of the working of the Institution since the date of their last report. They feel satisfied that all concerned will agree, after perusing the annexed document, from the Medical Board, that money was never better bestowed in the city of Halifax than that which has been applied to this Institution. When it is considered that no less than fourteen medical practitioners—eleven of them gratuitously—have been engaged from year's end to year's end, in carrying out the objects of this charity; that on every day of the year, the poor and the stranger, afflicted by disease, have resorted to the Dispensary for relief if able to come, or otherwise have been attended to in their squalid dwellings; that in this way no less than 6,164 applications have been received, 2,902 visits paid, 7,052 prescriptions dispensed; 346 prescriptions for other charitable institutions; and 507 cases of dentistry attended to; besides a large number of vaccinations during the small pox visitation; and when the long catalogue of diseases dealt with by the medical officers of the Institution,