

The number who were in the Lodge for at least 100 nights for the same years and in the same order was 14, 24, 12, 15; the change in this feature is but slight.

The average number sheltered each night in the Lodge during the months of December, January, February and March was 65; taking the years and the order as before the numbers are respectively 75, 82, 60, 65, or by percentages on total number in Lodge for the years, 5, 6.5, 5.7, 6.6, wherein the Board will see but small variation during the four past years.

In addition to the 1,050 men Casuals, there were sheltered in the Lodge last year, 78 women.

During the season 759 cords of wood were cut and split by the men Casuals in the wood yard; for the four past seasons the number of cords cut and split was 404, 729, 804, 759.

The Wayfarers begin to come into the Lodge about five in the afternoon, and no one of average orderly conduct is refused admission up to 10 or 12 o'clock at night.

Each wayfarer must take a warm bath upon coming in, after which he is provided with a good clean night shirt and a comfortable bed in which he sleeps till about 6.30 next morning. Breakfast is at 7 o'clock, and work begins in the yard at 8 o'clock.

To cut, split and pile a quarter of a cord of wood, requires from each man from two to three and one-quarter hours. The wayfarers who wish can have a good bowl of soup and a liberal allowance of bread with it at noon each day after the assigned work is finished.

The Board will observe that the decrease in the number of Casuals diminishes less rapidly, year by year, this indicates, that your Committee is gradually approaching the minimum limit of this class of the community for this city.

Discrimination is needed; still the city should bear its proportionate share of making provision for the wayfaring part of the population.

It is undesirable that the same treatment should await the man who is reduced to want through no fault of his own, and the man whose poverty is the direct outcome of his own lazy or extravagant habits. The one is a fellow-citizen to be encouraged and helped; the other to be carefully watched and coerced into