

city of high moral tone, there were no less than nineteen thousand arrests last year, and when one stops to think of what all that means, not alone to the unhappy offenders, but to their innocent mothers, sisters, wives and children, the sum total of human suffering and misery involved is truly appalling. In the City of Cleveland, Ohio, a new Chief of Police was appointed, whose big heart was touched with a feeling of compassion for the hundreds of broken-hearted mothers and wives who hung around the station and besieged his office for mercy on the poor offender, their sole support, the man they loved, as only the poor can love, in spite of all his shortcomings. Calling his men together he urged them to only make arrests when absolutely necessary, to act as peace-makers, explaining the law in a kindly way and helping the poor to avoid the police station. What has been the result? Three years ago there were thirty thousand arrests in Cleveland; two years ago there were twenty thousand, while last year there were only ten thousand, and less serious crimes than formerly existed! Do not be afraid to break away from tradition—you in the West, with history yet in the making, may be able to show the older cities of the East a better way, and it is worth the effort.

Fair Social Conditions.

There is hardly time for me to touch upon the important subject of public charity. This is too often left to the well-meaning efforts of irresponsible persons, and almost unconsciously a huge system of relief is developed that is a heavy burden on the taxpayer and no real benefit to the poor. It is very like a system of robbing the