

REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

FOR THE YEAR 1874.

The Committee of Management have the honor to lay before the Members the 39th Annual Report.

Relief has been granted by our Society during the past year in seventy-two (72) cases of distress, comprising ninety-five (95) persons in all, 65 men, 14 women, and 16 children. Each case was as strictly investigated as could be before aid was granted. Several looked very doubtful, but your Committee are satisfied that in the majority of cases the relief was both timely and well-deserved. As an instance of the difficulty of deciding in some cases, as well as with a view of impressing on members the necessity of accepting every story with considerable allowance, your Committee would just refer to three individuals—John Lowe, a respectably connected young man from England, John Watson and Alfred Gault, Gardeners, men in whom we took considerable interest, and for whose benefit we went to a good deal of trouble, and who, to our very great annoyance, turned out to be rank imposters. Had they not so suddenly transferred themselves to other fields of operations, your Committee would have considered it their duty to take proceedings against them. The total amount expended in charity is \$707.97. For details of this expenditure and further information on the subject, see the Report of the Sub-Committee of Charity.

Two persons have been buried in our lot at Mount Hermon Cemetery during the past year, making three persons in all who now repose there.

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