

Cases of cruelty to horses; cows, sheep, dogs, and other animals, were looked into and redressed or punished as occasion seemed to require. The name of the Society and its Secretary-Agent, Mr. John Naylor, is a terror to evil-doers. Mr. Naylor has not only cared for such cases as have been brought before him connected with lower animals, but he has had to interfere in the most energetic and practical way to save wives and children from the violence of drunken husbands and fathers. Dying mothers have committed their destitute children to his care. Homeless, friendless children have been sent to benevolent institutions, and in some cases to permanent homes. Girls have been rescued from dens of infamy. Sailors who had suffered from the violence of captains have been aided in their efforts to obtain redress. Female immigrants arriving here friendless and destitute have been assisted. Employment has been found for poor persons willing to work. The helpless sick have been visited, and distress in varied forms has been relieved.

For details of the work we refer to the Secretary-Agent's Report.

The thanks of the Society are due to Robert Motton, Esq., who has efficiently and faithfully discharged the onerous duty of Counsel for the Society. A large number of cases have been contested in our courts, and we are enabled to report, for the first time in the history of the Society, that in every contested case instituted by us the law has been vindicated, and the required relief granted. We have also to thank the City Marshal and the members of the Police Force for their co-operation and sympathy. The Press has in the most liberal manner rendered constant and invaluable aid.

We regret that owing to the continued absence of Mrs. Hill, the Ladies' Auxiliary has not been able to render us any financial aid. This has been severely felt by our treasury, which unfortunately has been in a state of chronic depletion.

The community acknowledge the usefulness of this Society; the unspeakable abominations of vice and cruelty must be confronted and abated; the battle of mercy must be bravely and continuously waged; but this cannot possibly be done without cost to some one. Our earnest desire is that thousands should show their interest in the work by contributing something to our funds. The operations of the Society cannot be conducted satisfactorily, or even justly and honorably, on the present financial basis. The Secretary-Agent who wages war so mercifully and skilfully is himself cruelly used, when from month to month, his modest salary remains unpaid. We earnestly hope that the public will give tangible proof of their confidence in this Society, and their sympathy with its objects.

Every human being can do something to lessen suffering and cruelty in the world; we cordially invite all who hear or read

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