## Contracts were given as follows:

For coal and wood, to Elias Rogers.

"Groceries, "Davidson & Hay.

Meat, "Boulton Meat Co.

"Thomas MacIntosh.

"Bread, "Thomas Frogley.

"Mill." "W. A. Clark.

"Milk, "W. A. Clark.

They desire to place on record their appreciation of the devoted labour of Mr. W. J. MacDonnell for nearly forty years a member and for so many the Secretary of the House of Industry. They congratulate the House, that their efforts for good have been again testified to, by the noble bequest of the late generous Mr. A. T. Fulton in the bequest of \$5,000. They also report their entire satisfaction with the management of the House under the able supervision of Mr. Arthur Laughlen and Mrs. North, and also the competency of Mr. Williamson in the management of casual poor.

T. H. Ince, Secretary. ARTHUR H. BALDWIN, Chairman.

## REPORT OF CASUAL POOR COMMITTEE.

## To the Board of the House of Industry:

The total number of men Casuals who were in the Lodge for the years ending 31st March, 1890, '91, '92, '93, was respectively 1,481, 1,247, 1,050, 996, and for the same years, the number who were only in one night was 530, 545, 426, 375, or by percentages 35.7, 36.4, 40.5, 32.8.

The number of Casuals who were in the Lodge from one to three nights was 395; in this respect there is a gradual improvement from year to year, the proportion of those who remain in longer than three nights constantly becoming less.

The number of nights that the remainder—401—was in the Lodge ranged from three nights to I24 nights, or comparing the record for the same four years we have 198, 166, 125, 124 respectively, as the number of nights during which any one individual was in the Lodge.