

and all could unite in the unselfish and ennobling work of alleviating and removing human and animal suffering. The object of the society would be to prevent rather than to punish. As instances of what might be accomplished, he gave the following examples from the record of the Illinois Humane Association :—" Arrested a man, who was fined \$10 and costs and put under bonds of \$200 to keep the peace, for extreme and repeated cruelty to a girl in his family, 16 years old. Took the child away from him and placed her in charge of this society." . . . " Arrested a little girl, 14 years old, for obtaining money under false pretences ; had the prosecution dismissed and sent her to the Industrial school for girls at Evanston."

. . . " Rescued four little children from a worthless, drunken father and a disreputable mother, and placed them in the St. Joseph orphan asylum." . . . " Took a little girl, who was badly abused, kicked and knocked down and overworked by a cruel, heartless woman, child working like a slave in the kitchen, dirty and ragged, and placed her in the Industrial school for girls." . . . " Arrested a man who was fined \$75 and costs for drunkenness and extreme cruelty to his little boy, eight years of age, whom he compelled to sleep out of doors. This society placed the child in the Home for the Friendless." . . . " Arrested a man, who was fined \$50 and costs, for stabbing a horse with a knife." . . . " The officers of this society, after a prolonged search, found a little girl of 16 years of age who had been abducted from her home and led astray for immoral purposes, and restored her to her parents. There were three persons connected with the abduction who were arrested by the officers of the society and held to the criminal court and indicted by the grand jury. Still pending."

On motion of Mr. Houston, seconded by Dr. Bryce, it was resolved, " That in the opinion of the Institute the formation in this city of a society for the prevention of cruelty would be conducive to the interests of public morality, and this meeting desires to express its sympathy with the object contemplated."

A communicating respecting " The Elizabeth Thompson Science Fund," was referred to a committee composed of the President, Dr. Ellis, and Prof. R. Ramsay Wright.