

The balance in the hands of the Treasurer at the commencement of the year was \$581.93, the receipts during the year have been \$2,641.06, leaving a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$724.73.

RELIEF.

Thirteen hundred and nine applications have been met during the year, to the amount of \$1,146.49, from the ordinary resources of the Society, which is two hundred and sixty-one applications less than last year.

The relief given has been according to previous years in bread, meat, money, meals, lodgings, fuel, assistance towards burials, &c., &c.

Nine orders have been given for interment in the lots of the Society in St. James's Cemetery.

Owing to the amount of sickness which has prevailed the visitations to those needing relief have been more frequent than in former years.

MEMBERSHIP.

There have been 13 life members, and 73 annual members elected during the year.

The collections for annual membership fees are in excess of previous years, but there are still many on the roll of membership who are in arrears.

Two honorary life members have died during the year, viz., Mr. W. B. Phipps, one of the most valuable members ever connected with the Society, having been President, and also for many years the Treasurer, and through whose instrumentality the Phipps fund was established. And the Rev. Wm. Morley Punshon, whose reputation as a gentleman of great intellectual power, and as an orator of the highest class was world wide.

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