

out the abodes and necessities of those more retiring children of sorrow, whose pressing wants and untold sufferings could alone induce them to accept relief. The Board desires, therefore, to record its high sense of the valuable services rendered to the community by the gratuitous and self-sacrificing labours of those gentlemen who have so efficiently discharged the duties of Ward Visitors. Their devotion to the interests of the unfortunate is above all praise, while their only reward consists in the satisfaction they have in doing good.

The Managers regret to find an increasing disposition on the part of the inhabitants of other municipalities to send their poor to this Institution for support. In several instances the paupers thus sent to your establishment have been returned to those officers who sent them, the Directors having failed to discover any good reason why they should be called upon to support the poor of other municipalities. Toronto will always have a large number of floating poor to provide for without being requested to support those paupers coming from other parts of our country. Other Municipalities have the power to provide for their own poor, and they should have respect enough for themselves to exercise that power.

The high price of wood this season has induced the managers to resort to the use of coal for heating the premises, by which it is thought a saving will