

to say that the income does not keep pace with requirements. They were compelled two years since to increase the number of physicians, and as the city progresses and this work with it, another visiting physician must be added.

#### DISPENSARY SUNDAY.

The Board also report the growing difficulty of fixing upon a "Dispensary Sunday," which will meet with acceptance from the various congregations, so that in all the churches there may be simultaneously made a collection in aid of the objects for which the Dispensary provides. Circulars are sent to each clergyman, and printed reminders supplied for the pews, so that all may show their sympathy and interest in this charitable work in a substantial form once a year at least. While most of the congregations do so liberally and regularly, a few have failed from time to time to respond to this call, and several do so irregularly, thus frustrating the idea and intention originally proposed and for several years fully carried out. The outgoing Directors beg to recommend that means be devised by which united action in this matter shall be secured.

#### THE WORK NOT CONFINED TO CITIZENS.

The annual vote of \$400 by the Legislature is always thankfully received. Dr Harrington has prepared a statement, exhibiting the nationality, places of nativity, and residences of the large number of transient sick and disabled poor, who in return for this subsidy are attended to at the Dispensary. It is further shown that, beside the inhabitants of the City proper, many persons from the various parts of Halifax County, and indeed from every county in the Province, participate in the benefits afforded by this institution and the branch of Dartmouth. All such information indicates the pressing need of enlarged liberality from *without*, as the generosity of the medical staff in