

4. The average number sheltered in the Casual Lodge per night during the past winter was sixty-five, while during the previous year the number was sixty-three.

Information concerning the Casual Lodge labour test will be found in the very interesting report of the Casual Poor Committee.

5. The report of the Visitation Committee will also be found interesting, supplying information respecting the various departments of its work.

6. The Treasurer's statement shews \$3,475.84 overdrawn on the bank.

7. The City Corporation generously supplemented the usual grant with an additional sum of \$5,000 which would have been ample for the current year requirements had not a large debit balance from last year to be met.

8. The Superintendent's reports furnish the details of expenditure in the various departments, and other valuable statistics, and it will be observed from the Physician's report, the health of the inmates, and the sanitary condition of the House is as satisfactory as could be expected under the circumstances.

9. We have again to acknowledge with thanks a donation of 1,000 bushels of coke from the Consumers' Gas Company.

10. Religious services are regularly maintained in the House through the voluntary assistance of several clergymen, but the addition of a chapel for the purpose is felt to be a pressing want.

11. The Superintendent, Mr. Arthur Laughlen, and Mrs. North, the matron, continue to discharge their respective duties to the entire satisfaction of the management.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN GILLESPIE,
Secretary.

SAMUEL ALBORN,
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

The Executive Committee beg to report that their duties have called for fifteen meetings during the year, which have been well attended. The accounts have been diligently scrutinized, and the greatest care taken to keep the expenditure as low as possible, consistent with the proper management of the House, and the relief of the external poor of the city.