

## RELIEF GRANTED.

During the season the number of families relieved was 325. Of these 166 were new applicants, and 159 were recipients of relief in 1883. The members of the 325 families numbered 1146. The stores issued were as follows 4202 bushels of coal, 2206 loaves of bread, 3712 pounds of oatmeal, 241 gallons of molasses, 124 pounds of tea, 113 pounds of sugar and 14 bushels of potatoes, costing in all \$1124.51 as against \$938.48 in the preceding year.

## BEQUESTS.

The Bequests which have been received in former years are included in the deposit of \$1100 which appears as a part of the balance in the Treasurer's hands. The Directors have been advised that by the will of Mr. Hugh Elliot a portion of the proceeds of his real estate estimated to produce \$1500 will be in hand so soon as the real estate can be sold. In the mean time an advance of \$97.79 was paid to liquidate expenses connected with the settlement of the estate. They have also been informed that the late Edward Smith Esq., who always took a deep interest in the Association's work, has provided in his will that \$1000 shall be invested, so that the interest may be applied towards the objects of the Association.

The statistics of the stone shed, managed by Messrs. W. H. Neal and H. P. Burton, are appended to the report. The use of the sheds in the Exhibition grounds was granted by the Board of Works for shelter to the men breaking the stone. At the rate of 6 cents per bushel, without any charge for management or for interest on the capital, requiring to be advanced for payment of laborer and purchase of stone, there was a small loss amounting to \$12.57 on the years operations. The Directors are pleased to announce that the Board of Works have agreed to take the winter's stone of 1885 at the same rate, and Mr. Neal is about laying in a stock of stone to be ready for opening the sheds at the usual time.