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2d. That 20 persons be annually chosen as a Committee, also a Treasurer and Secretary from among the members of the Society to conduct its business, and that five of its members constitute a quo-

8d. That the Committee meet monthly-that it be furnished with a map of the Town, to be divided into wards, and that it appoint from time to time, as many, and such persons as visitors in those wards, as it may judge expedient.

4th. That the acting visitors, donors of 20s: and subscribers of 12s. annually, paid in advance, be considered members of this so-

ciety, and entitled to vote at the general meeting;

5th. That it shall be the duty of the visitors to ascertain what cases of distress exist in the several wards to which they are appointed, to insert in their books the name of any person becoming a subscriber, and to report the same to the Committee.

6th. That it shall be the duty of every visitor strictly to in etigate, any case of distress coming under his notice, and if immeliate relief be necessary, that he be permitted to render assistanc,

to the amount as directed by the Committee.

7th. That a subscription of one shilling per month, to be collected in the different wards by the visitors, shall be solicited as ectensively as possible, and that any donations which the friends of this Society may be inclined to bestow, will be thankfully received.

8th. That as journeymen and servants who are now receiving wages, may through sickness or other causes, be thrown out of eaploy, and may become objects of attention from the Society, they shall also be requested to contribute six pence monthly.

9th. That any sum remaining in the hands of the visitors, at the monthly meetings of the Committee, shall be then paid in, to be by

them paid over to the Treasurer.

10th. That as this Society is formed solely for benevolent purposes, none of its members shall receive the least remuneration for their services, and each subscriber shall be at liberty to withdraw his name, on giving one month's notice to the Visitor of the Ward in which he resides.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE HALIFAX POOR MAN'S FRIEND SOCIETY, HELD ON FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 23d, AT THE ROYAL ACADIAN SCHOOL.

The Honourable Judge JUDGE HALIBURTON in the Chair.

The Report of the Committee for the last year having been submitted to the Meeting, it was moved by W. Almon, Esq. M.D. seconded by H. H. Cogswell, Esq. and

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1. That the Report now read, be adopted as the Report of the Society, and printed under the direction of the Committee. On motion of Mr. S. N. Binney, seconded by S. G. W. Archibald, Esq. it was Rone. A.

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2. That the thanks of the Society be presented to his Excellency Sir James Kempt, for his continued patronage of this institution; and for the important aid that he has afforded the Committee in carrying into effect its benevolent intentions.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by the Rev. Mr. Lusher,

it was

Resolved Unanimously,

3. That this Meeting reflects with sincere pleasure upon the beneficial effects that have attended the operations of this Society since its formation, particularly during the last winter, as mentioned in the Report; and that it is their opinion, the present condition of the poor is such as to render its renewed and continued exertions indispensably necessary.

On motion of John Young, Esq. seconded by the Rev. Mr. Mar-

tin, it was

Resolved Unanimously,

4. That this Meeting has witnessed with peculiar satisfaction the exertions which have lately been made for promoting industry among the poor : and they would earnestly recommend to all persons possessing property and, influence in this community, the necessity of encouraging and extending plans calculated to furnish employment for the indigent : fully convinced, that in proportion as industry is encouraged, pauperism and immorality will be diminished.

On motion of Dr. Head, seconded by Mr. John Leander Starr, it. was

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6. That the thanks of this Meeting be presented toMr. Martin Gay Black, the Treasurer, and to the gentlemen who have acted as the Committee and Visitors of the Society during the past year, for their valuable and faithful services. Market to mention at C

The following Gentlemen were then chosen the Committee for this year, viz .-

Lieut. Col. Beckwith, H. H. Cogswell, Esq. S. G. W. Archibald, Esq. Doctor Almon, John Young, Esq., Rev. Mr. Martin, Doctor Hume, Mr. S. N. Binney, M. Tobin, Esq. Rev. Mr. Renney, Rev. Mr. Lusher, C. R. Fairbanks, Esq. W. Bromley, Esq. Dr. Avery, J. W. Nutting, Esq.

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His Honor Judge Haliburton having left the Chair, it was taken by Dr. Hume, when on motion of John Starr, Esq. seconded by J. I. Chipman, Esq. it was

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ing of the Regionable Mesers Led in and Collins, and the fees WOUR Committee in reporting the proceedings of this Socity during the last year, (the fourth since its formation.) feel much pleasure in calling the attention of their friends and the public to the following statement of its distributions in the various kinds of relief granted :-would permit the Soci

There have been relieved by this Institution from the 1st February to the 24th April, one thousand four hundred and thirty persons, among whom have been distributed, one thousand two hundred and ten feet of wood; -two hundred and sixty-eight pounds of meal; ten pints of molasses; seven and one quarter pounds of tea; seventy-one pounds of sugar; forty-six loaves of bread; eight pounds of fish; fifty rugs; thirty blankets; fifty pairs of sheets; one hundred bed cases; one pair of shoes; and nine pounds thirteen shillings and one penny in money: besides twenty-seven thousand, six hundred quarts of soup at the rate of one hundred gallons per day.

It will be recollected that the last winter was unusually severe. which rendered the relief thus 'afforded necessary not only to the comfort of hundreds, but it is also believed, to the very existence of many; as there were cases known to your Committee in which it appeared, that the bounty of the Society alone was the means of preserving some miserable beings from perishing.

At the first meeting of the Committee after the last annual meeting of the Society, among the means necessary to be adopted for the relief of the distressed poor, the expediency of granting a daily supply of soup was taken into consideration: and as it appeared that by this means, at a moderate expense, very extensive and efficient relief might be afforded, it was unanimously resolved, that a soup-house should be instituted: and J. Starr, M. Tobin. S. Head, J. Clark, and H. H. Cogswell, Esquires, were appointed a Committee to take the necessary steps for its establishment. Agreeably to this resolution a soup-house was prepared in Marchington's wharf; and the issues of this wholesome and nourishing food commenced on the 14th February, and continued until the 24th of April, under the daily superintendance of the members of the General Committee, who agreed to attend in rotation.

On no part of their proceedings do your Committee reflect with more satisfaction than on the adoption of this measure: as they are convinced that with the same expenditure they could not in any other way have so effectually promoted the benevolent intentions of the Society, and have contributed to the comfort of the hundreds of destitute beings committed to their care. It appearing to your Committee, however, that besides the distribution of soun. it would be indispensably necessary to furnish each distressed fa-

mily ocasionally with a small quantity of fuel, and also with articles of bedding, of which, upon inquiry, it had been found, great numbers were destitute, it was resolved that a deputation consisting of the Fionorable Messrs. Jeffery and Collins, and the Rev. Mr. Twining, be appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, to state to his Excellency the extreme distress existing at that time among the poor of the town, from want of fuel and articles of covering; and respectfully to inquire if his Excellency would permit the Society to receive one hundred cords of wood from his Majesty's fuel yard, to be returned in the spring; and also to state to his Excellency that if any articles of bedding or old clothes were at his Excellency's disposal, the Society would most gratefully receive and distribute them : and your Committee are happy to state that his Excellency, with his usual feeling of commisseration for the poor, and readiness to aid the views of the Society, cheerfully consented to the loan of wood required: directing, at the same time, thirty blankets, fifty rugs, one hundred bed cases, and fifty pairs of sheets, to be delivered to the Society. In the progress of the winter, the high price of fuel continuing, and the hundred cords of wood before mentioned, having been all distributed, it was found necessary to make an application to his Excellency the Governor for an additional loan of fifty cords : the whole to be returned to his Majesty's fuel yard in the spring: which was also most obligingly granted; by which your Commit-tee were enabled to render the most important aid to the poor, without making that sacrifice of the Society's funds to the high price of wood during the winter, which otherwise they would have been under the necessity of doing; and they embrace this opportunity of expressing their obligation to Capt. Goddard for the aid he so cheerfully afforded in issuing from, and receiving back into the depôt the wood borrowed by the Society.

The instructions to the Visitors from the Committee, published in the reports of the Society, were read at their first meeting, and strongly urged upon the parties concerned; and by them were cheerfully subscribed: and it is believed, they were in general, conscientiously regarded, in distributing the supplies furnished by the

As it was judged impossible to raise by public subscription a sum sufficient to meet the wants of the numerous poor who were looking up to your Committee for assistance, -it was resolved, that an application should also be made to the Legislature for aid to the funds of the Society: and your Committee have the pleasure to state, that the very liberal sum of one hundred pounds was voted for that purposed the country promoted the L-scorrup and

The funds of the Society were further augmented by the very handsome donation of Fifty-two Pounds, three shillings and three pence halfpenny, from the Committee of the Amateun Theatre; as mentioned in the proceedings of the last annual meeting. The total amount pa including the pounds, eleven eight pounds, s balance in his h of Wood borro three Pounds

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Your Committee, having thus briefly stated the proceedings of the Society during the last winter, do not consider it necessary to enter largely into an exposition of its principles and designs; this having been so repeatedly and fully done in former reports: yet they feel it to be their duty before they close this Report to call the attention of their friends and the public, to the necessity of renewed efforts for the amelioration of the condition of the poor, during the present season.

Hitherto the weather has been unusually mild and favorable, which has doubtless prevented much suffering to the poor; which otherwise must have arisen from the scarcity and high price of fuel: but as less favorable weather may reasonably be expected before the return of spring, and as all the other reasons for the existence and exertions of this Society continue, they confidently hope, that the generous inhabitants of Halifax will again come forward with their usual liberality and cheerfulness, to the aid of the distressed and deserving poor, by whom they are surrounded.

But while your Committee would urge the necessity of renewed exertions for the alleviation of the distress at present existing among the poor, they would express a hope that the day is not far distant when the necessity for this Society in its present form and designs, will be superseded by some liberal and public scheme of benevolence and usefulness, which shall relieve and feed the poor by furnishing them with employment, and encouraging habits of private and public industry: an object worthy the attention of the Philanthropists of this town and province. Until this happy period shall arrive, and this desirable object be attained, distress, among the poor, will be unavoidable, and the necessity of this benevolent Institution will continue.

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JOHN LEANDER STARR, Secretary.

# **Duty of Visitors**

## UNDER THE FIFTH RULE OF THIS INSTITUTION.

1st. To circulate extensively the Society's Annual Report.

2d. To solicit and collect, as much as possible towards the funds of the Society.

3d. To relieve, agreeably to the instructions given them from time to time by the Committee, the wants of those whose cases, upon personal inspection, are found to come within the spirit of the Institution.

4th. To make correct returns of their expenditure, and its amount,

to the Committee, at such times as they may direct.

5th. To furnish the Secretary with an alphabetical list of Subscribers.

## INSTRUCTIONS TO THE VISITORS FROM THE COMMITTEE.

The Visiors will go through their respective Wards immediately and examine into the state of the Poor, and solicit Subscriptions.

They will be careful not to relieve any case without previous personal inspection; and by no means any case within the juris-

diction of other Visitors.

They will, if possible, go through their several wards at least once in a fortnight-that Paupers resident therein may not have an excuse for troubling Visitors of other Wards, and that they may not suffer from want of proper supplies.

They will, on discovering cases of distress, which are proper objects for relief in the Poor-House, make application to the Commissioners for their admission into that Establishment, (the application to be signed by the Chairman of the Committee) and if paupers, so situated, will not consent to be placed there, if admission can be obtained, they will give them no relief from the funds of this charity.

They will afford relief in cases of extreme distress, to all persons even although they may be of known profligate conduct; but they will immediately report such cases to the Committee, to be by them brought under the consideration of the magistracy.

They will not exceed the sum of ten shillings per month, in addition to Wood and Soup, in relieving cases of great distress.—In ordinary cases, they will supply only Wood and Soup.

They will not supply money, except under very peculiar circumstances; but will expend it themselves, in the most judicious and

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They will be particular in making returns of expenditure to this Committee, as follows:

From the first to the last day of February, on the evening of the Arst Monday in March. From the first to the last day of March, on the evening of the first Monday in April. From the first to the fifteenth day of April, on the evening of the first Monday after the latter date. Printed returns will be always kept in readiness by the Secretary, and these only will be received by the Committee.

They will be particular in paying over to the Committee whenever they meet, any sum which may be in their hands, the proper-

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The Committee most earnestly solicit punctuality in the attendance of at least one Visitor from every ward, at the different Meetings of the Committee; as without strict attention to this particular, the Committee can neither ascertain the state of the Funds, nor regulate any business, which may depend upon such knowledge. elabor of the Visi-

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# Poor Man's Friend Society.

AT a meeting of the Committee of the HALIFAX POOR MAN'S FRIERD SOCIETY held at the Exchange Coffee House on the evening of 28th January. 1824, the following gentlemen were appointed a "Committee of Industry" to carry into effect the 4th Resolution passed at the last annual meeting of the Society:

WALTER BROMLEY, Esquire, JOHN YOUNG, Esquire,
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At a subsequent meeting of the Committee, the following report was received, and adopted, and ordered to be published, viz:--

Report of the Committee of Industry 30th January 1824.

Your Committee beg leave to report that in order to obtain a full and correct statement of the number of the Poor that are destitate of employment, and devise the most efficient means for encou-

raging industry, the "Committee of Industry" should meet as often as necessary, to inquire into the condition of poor persons, who are able to labour, and cannot obtain employment; and that the Visitors of the different Wards should be instructed to direct them to attend this Committee, at their stated meetings, in order to answer those questions which may be considered necessary, and that no healthy, able-bodied person shall receive assistance a second time from the Society, until he shall have been previously examined by this Committee, and obtained from them a note addressed to the Visitors of the Ward to which he may belong that he has made his appearance, and till further notice, should continue to receive aid from the funds. They further beg leave to suggest, that the names, and occupations of those characters should be registered by this Committee, in order that persons desirous of giving employment may know where mechanics and labourers may be found. This Committee will attend on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, at the Royal Acadian School, from 12 till 2 o, clock, in order to make the necessary inquiries of such as may be sent so them from the respective Wards, tailing an soutime of oil

They conceive that if this plan should be adopted by the Society, the growth of pauperism would be checked-the labor of the Visitors diminished and a more correct and satisfactory report of the state of the poor obtained, than has yet been laid before the public, W. BROMLEY, Chairman.

By order of the general Committee, JOHN LEANDER STARR, Secretary.

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