

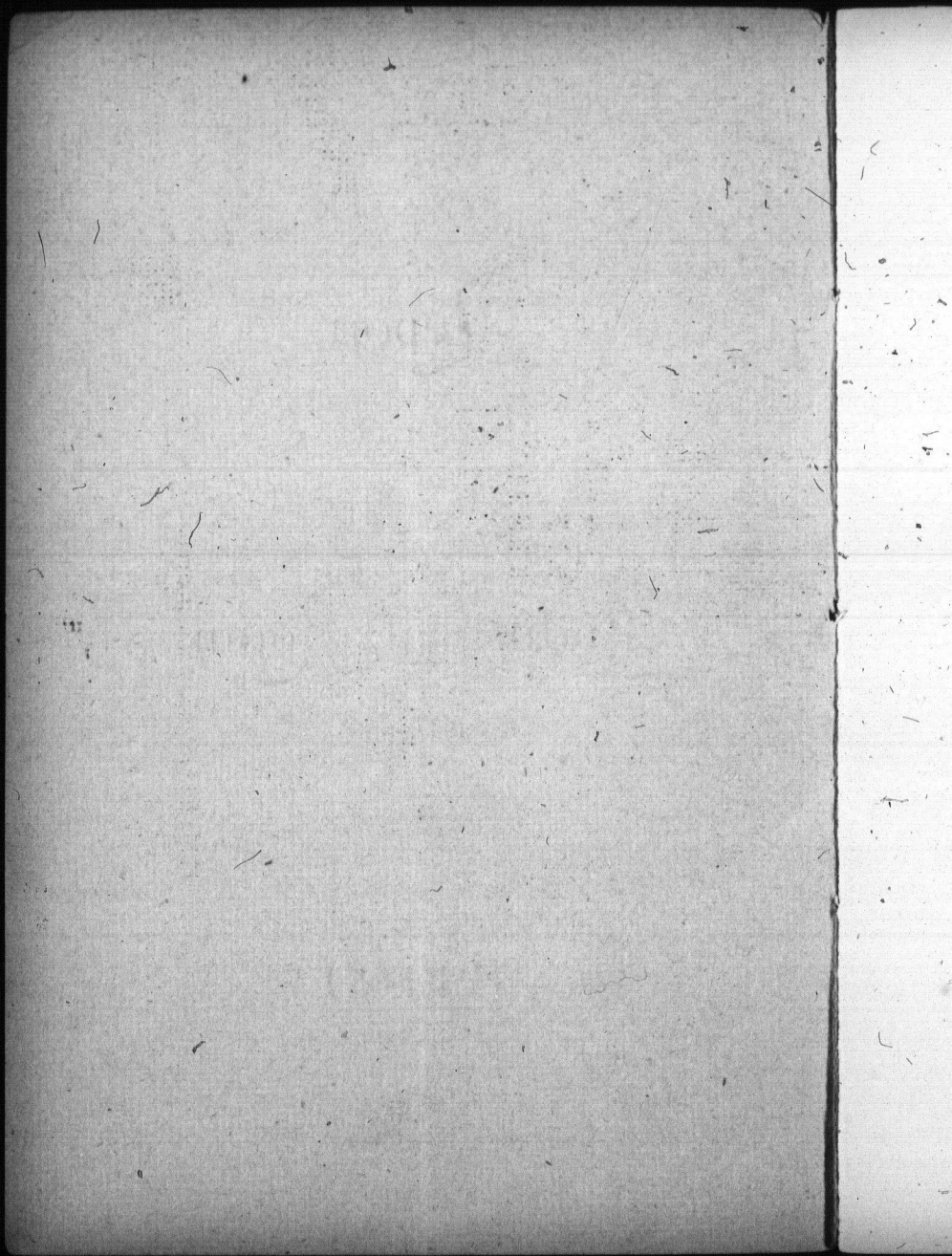
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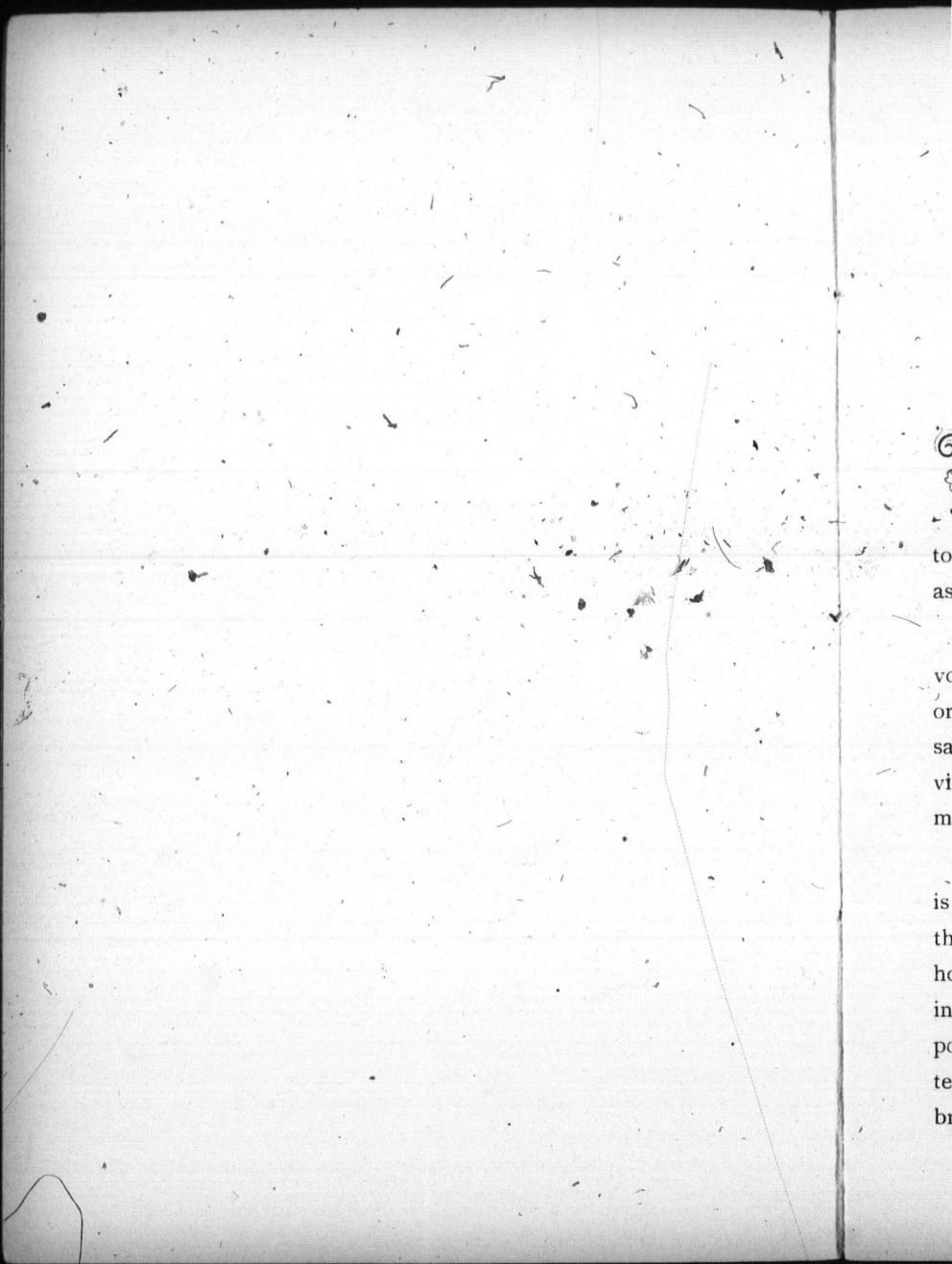
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40 COLBORNE STREET, TORONTO



Report of Industrial Room

◀ 1890 ▶

THE INDUSTRIAL ROOM was opened in 1883 and has since been open each year from January to April. The object of the Committee is to give sewing or knitting to those who are in need of assistance.

To obtain work it is only necessary to bring a voucher or note from a member of the Relief Society, or from some one known to a member of the Committee saying that the bearer is known to them or has been visited and is in need of work. No one is refused, no matter how small her knowledge of sewing may be.

Of course the cutting out and preparing the work is of great importance. This is done by members of the Committee who do all the cutting at their own homes, sending the garments to the Rooms to be entered in the books and then given out, each lady, as far as possible, being at the Rooms on Thursday to superintend the giving out of and to inspect the work as it is brought in. The scene on Thursday is a busy one.

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The ladies of the Committee meet at 9.30 a.m.; the women as they arrive are given tickets and come up in turn; the work is examined, paid for in money, and the woman given a fresh supply. Everything is done as expeditiously as possible.

Two of the Committee are with the women in the waiting-room, where a service is held and each woman is offered a bowl of soup and a piece of bread. During the winter 124 women have applied for work, some returning each week. It is very encouraging to notice the improvement in sewing and carefulness. The first few years there were always several garments which it was impossible to sell, but it is with great pleasure that the Committee can say that this year there is hardly an unsaleable article in stock; of course some of the work had to be returned and altered. Many of the women could say with truth that they have been taught to sew at the Industrial Room. The first time a woman applies she is generally given factory cotton or coloured aprons and if this is satisfactory she is then given finer work.

Some idea of the extent of the work done by our Industrial Room may be gained from the fact that over 2,000 garments have been cut out and made during the winter, and for our annual sale held in April last there was \$1,400 worth of underclothing to be sold.

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A great deal of the work is of fine material and well made, but the larger portion is of factory cotton suitable for giving away to hospitals, various charities, and for the North-West, and we heartily recommend it to the charitably disposed.

The great difficulty connected with our work is the disposal of the underclothing when made. We hold an annual sale at the end of the season. In addition we have had sales in the Eastern and Western portions of the city. The proceeds of these sales go to carry on next winter's work, to buy material, pay the women, etc., etc.

For next winter the Committee have secured a large room in Association Hall, where in addition to the usual Thursday morning's work we hope to be able to sell the ready-made garments and to take orders.

The Committee wish most gratefully to thank the ladies who took charge of the sales in the Eastern and Western parts of the city; also the lady who so kindly provided lunch for the Committee on each Thursday throughout the winter, and those who so generously contributed at the time of the Sale.

L. W. GREIG,
Secretary

The Committee acknowledge with many thanks the following donations:

Parcel of Clothing,	Mrs. Elliott
Pieces of Material, Tweed, etc.,	Friend
Felt Hats and Trimmings	F. C. Cousineau & Co.

ALSO SUBSCRIPTIONS AT TIME OF SALE

Wrapping Paper and Twine,	Mr. R. Kilgour
" " "	Canada Paper Co.
Paper Bags,	Mr. Herbert Tolchard
Fancy Boxes,	" Potts
Fruit,	" Barron
Loan of Tube for Gas Stove,	" Harry Webb
" Dishes,	" James Kent
Plants and Flowers,	Mrs. Maclellan
" "	" Winnett
" "	" Page
" "	" John Macdonald
Cream and Milk,	Mr. Clark
Tea,	" Thos. Williamson
14 Bottles of Marmalade,	Mrs. Barnett

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS TEA TABLE AND WORKERS'
LUNCH TABLE FROM

Mrs. Barnett	Mrs. Littlejohn
Miss Biggar	" McDonough
Mrs. Gordon Brown	" Miller
" R. Brown	" Oliver
" Byrne	" Page
" Caven	" Paton
" Dewart	" Primrose
" Dwight	" J. Y. Reid
" Douglas	" Richardson
" Fairclough	" Sills
" Firstbrook	" Shortiss
" Gilchrist	Miss J. Smith
" Gowans	" Stark
" Greig	Mrs. Sydore
" Hough	" E. Thompson
" James	" J. M. Thomson
" J. Kent	" T. Thompson
" Keile	" Watson
" Kirkland	Miss White
Miss Laidlaw	" Wilson
Mrs. Langton	Mrs. Winnett
" Lash	" Wood

IN MONEY

Mrs. Allen	Mr. Foster
" Anderson	Mrs. Gilchrist
" Brett	Mr. Lugsden
" Brunt	Miss Mickle
" Campbell	Mrs. Watson
" Culvert	Mr. Windrum
" J. Davidson	Mrs. Wood
" Elliott	



STATEMENT OF TREASURER OF INDUSTRIAL ROOM

MAY 1ST, 1890

To Balance on hand, May 1st, 1889	\$749 78	By amt. expended for Material.....	\$782 05
" amt. of Subscriptions.....	31 00	" " paid for work done by women	472 31
" Sales during Year.....	188 85	" " printing reports and advtg.	30 90
" Special sale at Dundas st	120 57	" " Postage.....	1 75
" " Parkdale.	53 00	" " Girls' Institute, rent of room	25 00
" Grant from City.....	200 00	" " paid Y.M.C.A., use of room	10 00
" Sale at Association Hall.	616 65	" " (for Sale)	12 00
" 5 o'clock Tea at " "	73 32	" " Paid for Soup for Women to	12 00
" Interest on Deposit....	23 08	" " Girls' Institute.....	722 24
		" Balance Cash on hand.....	
	\$2,056 25		\$2,056 25

C. H. BARNETT,
Treasurer Industrial Room

I have examined the books and vouchers in connection with above statement and have found the same to be correct, the balance on hand amounting to seven hundred and twenty-two dollars and twenty-four cents, being deposited with the Home Savings and Loan Company as per certified pass-book.

TORONTO, 13th May, 1890

D. SIMPSON, Auditor

♦♦ By-laws of the Industrial Room ♦♦

1. The Committee, after its appointment each season, shall appoint from among its members a Secretary and a Treasurer. It shall appoint the time of its own meetings, and three members shall form a quorum.

2. All moneys raised by Industrial Room and all donations shall be the special property of the Industrial Room, and disbursed according to direction of Industrial Room Committee. The Industrial Room shall be responsible for its own indebtedness.

3. The rooms shall be as nearly as possible in the central part of the city.

4. Work shall be supplied only to those who are really destitute, and each applicant for work must bring a voucher as to need from some member of the Board in the Division to which she belongs. The Industrial Room may have its own Visiting Committee, and may give occasional work to women whose names may not be on the books of the Relief Society, on recommendation of the said Visiting Committee.

5. A scale of prices for work shall be fixed by the Committee of the Industrial Room.

6. As each Depository Committee will insist, when practicable, on some work being done by all applicants for assistance, the Industrial Committee shall not refuse work to inferior workers.

7. The Committee shall be at liberty to make any further By-laws for its own guidance.

8. The By-Laws may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Committee by a two-thirds vote of those present, notice having been given in writing one month previously.

