

RELIEF OF THE POOR.

What the Charitable Organizations are Doing.

CHRISTMAS DINNER FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE.

More Suffering than Usual. Many Who Seek a Night's Refuge.

The suffering among the poor this year is likely to be much more severe than usual, if relief is not extended at once and liberally. The unusual severity of the winter so far, the prevalence of sickness, the poverty in Montreal of more than a million people, these all tend to increase the sufferings of that unfortunate class which always suffers, while it decreases the help that can be given by the numerous charitable associations in individual cases. The outdoor relief associations are receiving more applications for assistance than for many winters before. Every night the shelter houses are crowded, while applicants for daily relief crowd the offices of the relief associations. The grippe this year has played havoc among the poor. Want of sufficient nourishment, cold, and in many cases partial starvation, have invited sickness. In many cases the husbands of families have been laid up for weeks, while the families have had to depend upon charity for support. Last week, thirty-four poor families were assisted by the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, this being entirely outside of the shelter which is afforded the suffering poor every night. These families were supplied with provisions, and in many cases, with firewood. In the country house of the House of Refuge there are 125 persons, including old help people, and fully half of these were taken down with the grippe. Last week 100 destitute sufferers, including children, were taken to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge. There were given last week no less than 200 meals, these meals consisting of a plentiful supply of soup and bread. One noticeable feature is the number of new people who have required assistance, these being immigrants—Swedes, Norwegians, Germans, English, Irish and Scotch. Women deserted by their husbands, children whose parents do not give them proper support, little children with broken hearts, men who cannot work, but who cannot get it, and who are physically unable to work. These

ALL REQUIRE RELIEF.

The charities look closely into all these cases, and when the claims are genuine every possible relief is afforded. Many, many are kept from starving by the efforts of the Board of Outdoor Relief, which commences its labors on Thursday morning next. This charitable association distributes relief at the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, and hundreds of families are supported by its efforts through the entire winter. The applicants apply on Thursday and are supplied with outdoor relief, including bread, soap and coal. Next week they apply again and receive the same supply, and so on during the winter. Last year 140 families received relief from the outdoor relief fund weekly, which would mean that fully 100 persons were kept from the fun. The Board is kept up entirely by voluntary subscriptions, and last year when the work was at its height, it had a deficit of over \$100. The Board is again organized this year, however, and is depending on the subscription to carry on the good work. All the charitable associations usually make extra appeals around Christmas time, and most of them give Christmas dinners. The St. George's Society, the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, and the St. Vincent de Paul Society are the ones that are most active in this line. The appeal of the St. George's Society states that this year brings an increased number of cases, and that the Society depends upon generous contributions from those who are able to help their less fortunate brethren. Last year the Society gave Christmas dinners to about 100 persons, and expects to do more this year. There are those who are able to help their less fortunate brethren, and money. St. Andrew's Society also assists the Scotch poor to liberal Christmas dinners, in accordance with the usual custom of the Society. Those who have been in the habit of receiving assistance from the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society will receive their usual donation at the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge on Wednesday, when the distribution will be made.

Relieving the Catholic Poor.

Outdoor relief to the Catholic poor of Montreal, especially during the winter season, is largely in the hands of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, which exists especially for the purpose. It has been active for many years in this city and is a branch of the Society which has its headquarters in Paris. The Society here has twenty-one branches or conferences in the city proper, while some branches exist beyond the municipal limits. The various conferences and the date of their formation are as follows: St. James, 1848; St. Anne, 1850; St. Mary, 1851; St. Joseph, 1852; St. Louis, 1853; St. Peter, 1854; St. Anthony, 1855; St. Michel, 1856; St. Henri, 1857; St. Jean Baptiste, 1858; St. Charles, 1859; St. Louis, 1860; St. Joseph, 1861; St. Anne, 1862; St. Mary, 1863; St. Louis, 1864; St. Joseph, 1865; St. Anne, 1866; St. Mary, 1867; St. Louis, 1868; St. Joseph, 1869; St. Anne, 1870; St. Mary, 1871; St. Louis, 1872; St. Joseph, 1873; St. Anne, 1874; St. Mary, 1875; St. Louis, 1876; St. Joseph, 1877; St. Anne, 1878; St. Mary, 1879; St. Louis, 1880; St. Joseph, 1881; St. Anne, 1882; St. Mary, 1883; St. Louis, 1884; St. Joseph, 1885; St. Anne, 1886; St. Mary, 1887; St. Louis, 1888; St. Joseph, 1889; St. Anne, 1890; St. Mary, 1891; St. Louis, 1892; St. Joseph, 1893; St. Anne, 1894; St. Mary, 1895; St. Louis, 1896; St. Joseph, 1897; St. Anne, 1898; St. Mary, 1899; St. Louis, 1900; St. Joseph, 1901; St. Anne, 1902; St. Mary, 1903; 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THE OLD POLICY.

The Government Will Stand by it.

SO SAID SIR CHARLES HIBBERT TUPPER LAST NIGHT.

The Sir John A. Macdonald Meeting in Windsor Hall.

THE MINISTER OF MARINE AND FISHERIES ATTACKS THE LIBERAL LEADERS.

For the first time in this city Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries, addressed a political gathering at the Windsor Hall last evening. The occasion was the opening of the winter session of the Sir John A. Macdonald Club, but it might be styled a Conservative rally, although the supporters of that party did not turn out in the numbers that had been expected. However, this was explained by the president of the Club on the ground that a number of other attractions were going on. A large number of ladies turned out, which was very much appreciated by Sir Charles. He spoke for three hours, and his address was a masterpiece of logic and eloquence. He attacked the Liberal leaders, and particularly Sir John A. Macdonald, and his policy. He said that the Liberal policy was a failure, and that the Conservative policy was the only one that would save the country. He said that the Liberal policy was a failure, and that the Conservative policy was the only one that would save the country. He said that the Liberal policy was a failure, and that the Conservative policy was the only one that would save the country.

Dear Mr. Charles. Allow me to congratulate you on the success of your speech. I heard it last night on all hands and from men of all parties who were present. I believe you have done well. Sir Charles Tupper.

bee as in the provinces by the sea. What Liberal could rise and tell such a story and keep within the line of truth? Sir Hibbert continued: "What banners have we met in our fight? Unrestricted Reciprocity was their last banner. Where is it now? What are the men who fought for it saying?" A lieutenant in the party, who in 1888 had said in the House that U. R. would bring light and joy to many homes by the sea, went down to the Maritime provinces last summer and interred the ill-fated banner to this doleful dirge; they had dropped the term U. R. from their banner, a term which had frightened thousands by its possible consequences. They were wise to do so, thought Sir Charles. The speaker then took up the question of free trade, which the Liberal leaders talked about grandiloquently as a possible ideal, but admitted that it would cost too much. They told the people to put them in power, and then they would explain their meaning. He said that the Liberal policy was a failure, and that the Conservative policy was the only one that would save the country. He said that the Liberal policy was a failure, and that the Conservative policy was the only one that would save the country. He said that the Liberal policy was a failure, and that the Conservative policy was the only one that would save the country.

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A piece of Brio-a-Brac.
Something in Cut Crystal.
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due here on December 12, but she made the
trip on schedule time and the news of her
arrival was a great relief to the community.
She encountered the severe gales that
have swept over the Atlantic and met head
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25 Ladies' Coats, Fine Beaver Cloth, Trimmed Fur, New Shapes, Prices, \$9.00 to \$20.00,	5.00	is the price NOW at Carsley Brothers', St. Catherine street.
100 Children's Mantles, Ranging in price From \$2.00 to \$5.00,	50c.	is the price NOW at Carsley Brothers', St. Catherine street.
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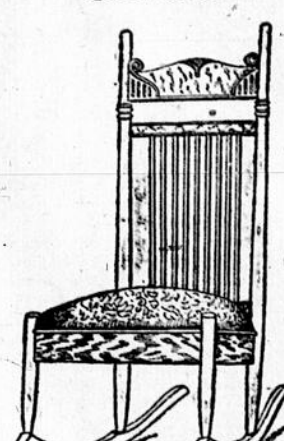
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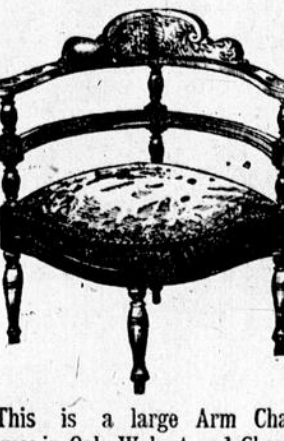
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