

supervision and control of a Visitor, whose field of labor is compressed to a limit which admits of his personal attention to all the needy therein.

In whatever part of the city the suffering apply to the members of the Association for aid, by means of a directory and printed tickets they are sent to their appropriate section and Visitor, whose proximity to the residence of the applicants enables him, by personal visitation and inquiry, to extend, withhold or modify relief, on clearly defined principles, according to the deserts and necessities of every case.

Assistance is rendered not only with great caution, but with great secrecy and delicacy when necessary. No degradation consequently will follow such relief; nor will it be the means of undermining one right principle, or of enfeebling one well-directed impulse.

During the year ending June 3d, 1872, two hundred and thirty-nine persons were assisted. The expenditures for the same period were \$1426.45.

The annual meeting is held on the first Monday of June, at which time an Executive Committee, consisting of fifteen gentlemen and fifteen ladies, are elected, who hold office for the term of one year.

Quarterly meetings of the Executive Committee are held on the second Monday of June, September, December and March, at which time the Board of Trustees is required to make a full and detailed report of the condition and all the transactions of the Society during the preceding quarter.

Officers—W. K. Rowell, President; E. P. Sanford, Vice-President; Dr. B. F. Pendleton, Treasurer; Mrs. L. L. Lynde, Secretary; I. W. Knox, G. W. Armes and N. W. Spaulding, Board of Trustees.

OAKLAND DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION.—Organized May 5th, 1872. Number of members, twelve. Meets at Brayton Hall.

Officers—W. M. Graham, President; E. N. Deuprey, Vice-President; S. F. Baldwin, Secretary; Charles E. Davis, Treasurer.

OAKLAND FARMING, HORTICULTURAL AND INDUSTRIAL CLUB.—Organized April 19th, 1872. Number of members, thirty-seven. Meets on the second and fourth Fridays of every month at the Chemical Lecture Room of the University of California, northeast corner of Franklin and Twelfth streets. The annual election is held in January.

Object—The improvement of its members in the theory and practice of agriculture, horticulture, and other industrial and domestic pursuits.

Officers—Professor E. S. Carr, President; Charles W. Howard, W. P. Gibbons, M. D., and J. V. Webster, Vice-Presidents; A. T. Dewey, Secretary; Christian Bagge, Treasurer; Charles H. Dwinelle, Librarian.

OAKLAND HARMONIC SOCIETY.—Organized March 1st, 1870. Number of members, sixty. Rehearsals every Monday evening in the chapel of the First Congregational Church, northeast corner of Washington and Tenth streets.