THE HELPING HAND.

1883.
TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MANAGERS
OF
THE HELPING HAND
OF BROOKLYN,
CORNER ATLANTIC AND GRAND AVENUES,
FROM OCTOBER 1ST, 1882, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1883.

BROOKLYN, 1884.
Officers and Managers for 1894.

JAMES W. ELWELL, President.
ALFRED S. BARNES, Vice-Presidents.
Rev. T. B. McLEOD,
Hon. J. F. PIERCE,
J. F. ANDERSON, Jr., Secretary.
Miss M. A. BERRY, Cor. Secretary.
Mrs. A. P. STROUT, Treasurer.

Trustees.

Mr. James W. Elwell, 70 Lefferts Place.
Mr. Alfred S. Barnes, 385 Grand Ave.
Mr. J. F. Anderson, Jr., 7 Montague Terrace.
Hon. J. F. Pierce, 111 Gates Ave.
Mr. D. D. Ives, 395 Washington Ave.
Mr. F. G. Smith, 366 Carlton Ave.
Mr. A. P. Strout, 335 Clinton St.
Mr. Joseph Mix, 805 St. Marks Ave.
Mr. C. D. Wood, 446 Washington Ave.
Rev. Emory J. Haynes, 55 Irving Place.
Mr. W. T. Gregg,

Officers of Board of Managers.

Mrs. James F. Pierce, President.
Mrs. W. T. Hemmingway, Vice-President.
Miss M. A. Berry, Cor. Secretary.
Mrs. W. F. Swalm, Rec. Secretary.
Mrs. A. P. Strout, Treasurer.

Archibald Campbell, M. D., Physicians.
C. C. Partridge, M. D.,
E. P. Crowell, M. D.,
D. R. Brown, M. D.,
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TWELFTH REPORT

OF

THE HELPING HAND.

At a Special Meeting of the Board of Managers, held at their rooms, corner of Atlantic and Grand Avenues, November 10th, 1883, it was moved, seconded and carried, that Article 30th of the By-Laws be altered and amended, fixing the time for holding the Annual meeting from the second Tuesday in October to the second Tuesday in January, and at the Annual Meeting the consent of the Trustees be obtained.

This being the first meeting under the new rule I most respectfully submit the report of the proceedings of the Society, giving a statement of the duties imposed on its members during the past fifteen months, with the hope that the trust committed to our care has been faithfully discharged, and will meet with the approval of our patrons and friends.
Scarcely had we entered on our current year before death came and removed from our circle our worthy and esteemed friend and co-laborer, Mrs. Mix, a constant attendant at the meetings, always ready and willing to work, until this last illness when we were deprived of her presence and services, and the worthy poor a devoted friend.

Our work is indeed a work of "Charity," each year the demands increase and our effort has been to meet them, as far as possible, with the means at our disposal, for which we rely on the generosity of those who know the good we do.

The rooms are open daily from 10 to 12, with one or more managers in attendance, for the distribution of such food as may be on hand. The applicant must be recommended by those who know her to be worthy, and whose case has been investigated. The demands for rent and relief have been greater, and investigations have proved that in almost every instance the applicant was worthy, once or twice we have been deceived, but the frauds were short-lived.

I will here state that the demand for clothing has been very large, but our supply has been very meagre, but we trust that an appeal to our friends
for cast-off clothing will meet with a hearty response.

The funds at our disposal are inadequate to the demand, and while we cherish and value the gifts of our friends, it is our duty to continue to enlist their services in our behalf, and urge upon them the continuance of their benefactions.

The dispensary work has increased and it is now open every day, except Sunday; four physicians giving their services. To them we tender our sincere thanks.

The financial condition of the Society is embodied in the Treasurer’s Report. The number of baskets of provisions given out were less than last year. 160 ladies have applied for girls and women to work, and many have been supplied. 646 baskets of provisions were given from October 1882 to January 1884. For rents, loans and relief $968.41 were paid out; some of the loans have been returned. In conclusion we extend to our worthy Matron our grateful thanks for valuable services rendered, and for the fidelity and zeal manifested in our cause. Thanks are again due to Mr. Barnes for printing the report.

On behalf of the poor,

Mrs. W. F. Swalm,
Recording Secretary.
To the Board of Managers of the Helping Hand Society:

Ladies:

We take pleasure in submitting to you the report of our work done in the Helping Hand Dispensary from October 1st 1882, to January 1st 1884. The number of patients treated is as follows:

Women, - - - - - - - - - - 323
Children, - - - - - - - - - - 128
Men, - - - - - - - - - - 38

Total - - - - - - - - - - 489

Thirty-six women received treatment for diseases peculiar to their sex, with good results.

We desire to return our thanks to the Clinton Avenue Congregational Church for their handsome donation of medicines to our dispensary. They have proved a very useful addition to our
stock. The dispensary is now open on the afternoon of every week day, and two physicians are in attendance at that time.

We are, very respectfully,

ARCHIBALD CAMPBELL, M. D.,
883 St. Marks Ave.

C. C. PARTRIDGE, M. D.,
207 Greene Ave.

E. P. CROWELL, M. D.,
1082½ Pacific St.

D. R. BROWN, M. D.,
199 Greene Ave.

Attending Physicians.
Report of the Treasurer of The Helping Hand of Brooklyn, for Fifteen Months, ending December 31st, 1883.

Dr.
To Cash Balance September 30th, 1882, - - $637 88
" City appropriation, - - 1,000 00
" Donations, - - 330 05
" Return of Loans, - - 37 90

$2,004 93

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By Cash paid for Rents and Relief, - - $968 41
" Groceries, - - 230 99
" Pork, - - 41 41
" Coal, - - 131 14
" Medicines, - - 25 22
" Postals, - - 4 00
" Gas, - - 18 00
" Surgical Instruments, - - 18 85
" Repairing Stove, - - 3 10
" Special Services, - - 5 00
" Matron, - - 315 00
" Balance December 31st, 1883, - - 243 81

$2,004 93

Respectfully submitted,

GERALDINE G. STROUT,
Brooklyn, Dec. 31st, 1883. Treasurer.

Brooklyn, January 17th, 1884.
I have examined the foregoing account, and find it correct.
Balance on hand, $243 81.

J. F. ANDERSON, JR.
CASH DONATIONS

Received during the Fifteen Months ending December 31st, 1883.

City Appropriation, ........................................... $1,000.00
D. W. McWilliams, a residuary legatee under the will of Frederick Marquand, 100.00
Mr. Jas. W. Elwell, ........................................... 50.00
Mrs. Chas. Merrill, ........................................... 25.00
Fred Loeser & Co., ........................................... 27.00
Mrs. M. Wilcox, ........................................... 20.00
" Jas. F. Pierce, ........................................... 10.00
Mr. F. G. Smith, ........................................... 10.00
Mrs. Julia Brick, ........................................... 10.00
Mr. H. F. Nichols, ........................................... 5.00
" J. Davenport, ........................................... 5.00
" J. J. Barnier, ........................................... 5.00
Mrs. W. T. Hemmingway, .................................... 5.00
" F. F. Jones, ........................................... 5.00
" D. P. Dearborn, ........................................... 5.00
" E. C. Russell, ........................................... 5.00
" A. Church, ........................................... 5.00
" G. L. Pease, ........................................... 5.00
" E. C. Holmes, ........................................... 5.00
" D. H. Houtailing, ...................................... 4.00
Mr. A. S. Barnes, ........................................... 3.00
CASH DONATIONS.—Continued.

Mrs. E. A. Phelps, .......................... $3.00
  " N. Stevens, .............................. 3.00
  " Henry Treadwell, ........................ 3.00
  " C. Schenck, ............................. 2.00
  " C. M. Foster, ............................ 2.00
  " Walker, .................................. 1.00
Christmas Offering from four classes in Sunday School of Church of Messiah per Mrs. D. D. Ives, .................. 7.05

DONATIONS—CLOTHING, ETC.

Mrs. Schenck, suit of clothes, 3 shirts and 2 pair of lace curtains.
Mrs. Messenger, .............................. clothing at different times.
  " Copeland, ................................ clothing.
  " Ives, ..................................... some hats
  " Paine, .................................... clothes.
  " Fisher, ................................... bundle clothing.
  " Phelps, ................................... clothing.
  " Hopkinson, ................................ clothing.
  " Sloan, ................................... shoes, hats, skirts and books.
  * Bonesteel, ................................ bundle of clothing.
  " Wood, ................................... clothing
  " Richardson, ............................... clothing at different times.
Mrs. Hopkins,  clothing.
" Parker,  clothing.
" Merrill,  clothing.
" Symons,  shoes and stockings.
" Potter,  suit of clothes.
" Robinson,  clothing.
" Andrus,  clothing.
" Bunts,  clothing.
" Pool,  clothing.
" Shriner,  children’s clothes.
Miss Sweet,  bottles for dispensary.
Mrs. Rochrica,  bundle boys’ clothes.
" Foster,  boys’ clothes.
" Swalm,  clothing.