

ASSOCIATION FOR IMPROVING THE CONDITION OF THE POOR. — A special general meeting of the Acting Committee of the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor, summoned by Major William Wyld, chairman, met in the office, No. 69 Hanover Street, on Wednesday forenoon for conference. There was a large attendance of the members. Major Wyld, in feeling terms, expressed his deep regret at the death of Mr Murray, superintendent, and the great loss the society had sustained by his removal from among them. In present circumstances he said he felt it necessary that some arrangements should be made at once for carrying on the work of the office; while at the same time there was no need for anything like undue haste in appointing a successor. The members of committee cordially joined in the remarks of the chairman, expressing their sorrow at the death of Mr Murray, and their sympathy with Mrs Murray in her sad bereavement. After a free interchange of opinion regarding the business of the association and the need of a responsible person to carry on the work, Mr Hugh Rose moved that the Rev. A. D. Robertson, who is a member of committee, be requested to conduct the work of the association in the meantime, and that this meeting stand adjourned for one month. The Rev. George Dodds seconded the motion, which was unanimously agreed to. Mr Robertson, being present, agreed to act as superintendent *pro tem*. Major W. Wyld, chairman; Mr T. K. Marshall, treasurer; and the Rev. A. D. Robertson, superintendent, *pro tem*, were appointed to act as a sub-committee of management till next meeting.