

about 1611. for Sixteen poor Men and Women, who have each an Allowance of Five Shillings per Month, half a Child of each, and Ten Shillings on every New-year's-day.

Waller's Almshouse.

THIS Almshouse, which stands in Old-street, was founded in the Year 1649, by the above-said John Waller, for the Use of Eight downy, who have each an Allowance of half a Crown per Week, and half a Child yearly at Christmas.

Watson's Almshouse.

THIS House, being near St. Dunstons Church, was erected chiefly at the Will of Watson, Citizen and Weaver, Captain of the Widows of Twelve Ward, receive Twenty Shillings, and Two shillings of each annually, and a Gown every Year.

Whitaker's Almshouse.

THIS Almshouse, stands at Tabbs, founded by George Whitaker, in 1681, for the Maintenance of Six poor with an Allowance of Five Pounds, in each, yearly.

Whittington's Almshouse.

SIR Richard Whittington, Thrice Mayor of London, about the Year 1413, founded on the North Side of the Church of St. Peter Nether, for a Master, Four Clerks, Chorists, &c. together with house for Thirteen poor Men, one who Tutor, with a Salary of Sixteen pence, and the Twelve others, Fourteen pence, and the Twelfth others, Fourteen pence, and the Twelfth others, Fourteen pence, and the Twelfth others, Fourteen pence. Notwithstanding the Dissolution of this College by Act of Parliament, the House of Edward the Sixth, of which, being upon College-hill, still remains the Division of the Company of Mercers besides a handsome Room to each of the six, above three Three Shillings and 1 per Week; and the Men every Third Year and Brethren, and the Women Gown a Court.

Wood's Almshouse.

THIS Almshouse, adjoining to that of Ravens, at Ratcliff, was founded by Toby Wood, of London's New, Esq. about 1611. for the Accommodation of Six decay'd Coopers, who have an Allowance of Six Pounds per annum, and Thirty Bushels of Corn each.

Wood's Almshouse.

THIS House, which stands on the East Side of Chancery in the Parish of St. Dunstons, was founded by Thomas Wood, Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry, for Ten poor ancient Widows, with an Allowance of Five Pounds per annum each, and a Gown every other Year.

Young's Almshouse.

THIS Almshouse, being in College Church-yard, Southwark, was founded by Henry Young, in the Year 1664. for Two poor Women, with an Allowance of One Shilling per Week each.

To the several Charities above specified, I shall only add the annual Sum of One thousand Pounds, given by the King toward the Relief of poor House-keepers within this City and Suburbs, in

the Rigor of Winter. Which Sum, (by his Majesty's Letters Exhortatory to the Lord Mayor and Bishop of this City, for making Collections in the several Parishes within the Bill of Mortality for the same Purpose) by the Contributions of the Citizens, &c. made in the Year 1775. was increased to One thousand Six hundred and Ninety-six Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Sixpence.

what it Causes, yet they know that we have here at this time Cold with all its Po-
rent Strength, as an Army of Flakes of Snow,
with Ammunition of Hail for Bullets, and
Wind for Powder, also Huge Ships of Ice,
which Float in the Main Sea, and Stop up all
the Narrow Rivers; also Cold and its Army
Shooting forth the Peircing Darts, which fly
so Thick and Fast, and are so Sharp, as they En-
ter into every Pore of the Flesh of all Animal
Creatures, whereby many Animals are wound-
ed with Numbness, and Die infernally, al-
though

Members assist, and such Members as are able, at their first Appearance in the Club, pay the same Sum; which is deliver'd to be spent at the quarterly Feast. Whose all Six Members left at many of their Excesses, are sent to the several Prisons of the City and Suburbs, for the Relief of poor insolvent Debtors. And the Surplusage, and charitable Collections made at such Banquets, are employ'd, as already hinted, in putting out poor Children Apprentices.

There are in this City and Suburbs another Sort of Societies, both of Men and Women, (which are very numerous) denominated *Ass Clubs*, for the Relief and mutual Support of the poorer Sort of Artisans, during Sickness, or other Incapacity, whereby they are render'd incapable of getting their Bread.

Their Clubs, erected by mutual Consent, are supported by an amicable Contribution of Two, Three, or Six pence per Week, by each Member, who weekly meet at a certain Ale-house, where they spend Two-pence weekly; and wherein they have Orders for their house Regulation, and a strong Box, or Chest, with down Locks, for the Consecration of their Books, Cash, &c.