

continually embarrassed the

legations of its plea; and
the cause, Mr. John Fraser,
record. (*Existent plus dans*

ports of Mr. John Fraser to
all cease on account of this
they have for sometime at-
tended the effect which they
at least of the general pub-
liture to have any fear on
Judge Rainville, and the
will probably satisfy every
of the attacks upon the
ference to the numerous pre-
Courts, and particularly to
ar points, and to the with-
Attorney General.

the appeal to the public,
being, when the last pro-
menced. That being new
ication to all persons who
to assist them in making an
which was the main object

to giving assistance for this
dividuality to the Institute,

may not be allowed undue
subtly a noble one. As it
liabilities of the estate, and
unparalleled in volume and
acres of valuable land upon
ly increasing in value: by
of the business part of the
e of \$25,000. The estimate
ous times, being affected by
being dependent upon the
ors consider that the actual
calised, would reach from
been furnished them of its
The Governors believe that
f such a donation, was not
rm part of the title of the
est by the late Honorable
ge was not, when he made
Mr. Fraser to the Fraser
eterror from assisting in the
ble University, by the fact
The Governors hope that the
ree Library, another power-
ity. And they trust that
es to be deterred from con-
fidence of that Library, by the
enefactor.

as arrived for an energetic
treil. From time to time

public spirited men have established centres of Science, and Art, and Industry. But the vigor and vitality produced by the concentration of energy, have been wanting.

Most praiseworthy efforts have been made from time to time by eminent citizens, resulting in the establishment of such institutions as the Mechanics Institute, the Mercantile Library Association, the Natural History Society, and the Society of Arts. Successful as most of these have been, it cannot be denied that their success would have been greater, and their usefulness increased, by their combination in a body possessing a substantial endowment for their maintenance and improvement. The Governors have been negotiating with a view to such a consolidation; and with regard to the Mercantile Library Association and the Natural History Society, these negotiations are in a favourable position. And they do not despair of procuring the consolidation of the whole of these institutions under the charter of the Institute; under provisions for the management of the different branches, which their charter enables them to popularise in a large degree; and which they design to carry out by calling in administrative aid from amongst the persons who contribute to the required addition to their funds.

With these objects and under these considerations, the Board of Governors of the Fraser Institute will make a further appeal to the citizens of Montreal to complete the fund required for the acquisition of the High School property; and, if possible, also to place it in proper repair, and prepare it for the reception of books and for the establishment of a reading-room. The purchase of the building would require additional subscriptions to the amount of \$20,000; and an increase of those further subscriptions to a minimum of \$25,000 would enable the Institute to pay for the property in full, and place it in fair repair, with such furniture as would be actually necessary. Under the proposed arrangements with the Mercantile Library Association, and with a further quantity of books received from the Honorable Mr. Justice Ramsay and others, the Library could be stocked at once with from 4000 to 5000 volumes. A reading-room, in which the best literary and scientific periodicals would be found, could be established for a moderate annual sum. And the Board of Governors are prepared to undertake the management of the Institution with the net revenue they already possess, relying upon assistance from without, to place the Institute speedily upon a more efficient footing.

MONTREAL, 1st November, 1883.

J. J. C. ABBOTT,
President.