

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGERS.

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The Managers of the Mackay Institution for Protestant Deaf-Mutes meet with their friends on this the fourteenth annual session under favourable circumstances.

The year 1883-84 has passed without anything of special importance to bring before you in connection with the working of the Institution.

A new shed has been built. The flooring of certain parts of the basements has been relaid and the gallery finished. These conveniences were much needed, and will be duly appreciated. Death has been busy among our friends, and several ladies, whose advice often guided our counsels, and whose presence cheered our labours, have been called away. We mention with regret the decease of Miss H. Mackay Gordon and Mrs. Dr. Scott.

Owing to the resignation of Mr. Widd, who so long and successfully acted as Principal of the Institution, it was found necessary to make a change in the staff, and Mr. Ashcroft, a gentleman who comes well recommended, has been selected as teacher and supervisor of the boys' department. We believe that he will justify our expectations and maintain the past efficiency of the school.

Since the opening of the session, Mr. Macnaughton, the teacher of drawing, has also resigned. He was brought up and educated in the Institution, and has now entered on a business career with good prospects of

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