

closest attention has been given to every thing affecting our interests.

LEGACY, &C.

Your Board refer with much satisfaction to the legacy of two thousand dollars left to the Institution, by the late Wm. Dow, Esq., to be permanently invested for its benefit. The amount has been received from the executors, and has been deposited at interest in the Savings' Bank Department of Molson's Bank.

The City and District Saving's Bank has again liberally contributed to our funds, having this year presented us with the handsome sum of \$500.

EXPENSES.

Your Board are happy to state that the expenditure is considerably less than last year, being \$5889.12½, against \$6296.39½. This difference, along with the sum realized on kindling-wood, has enabled your Board to sustain the Institution by encroaching only \$1000, on the Endowment Fund, instead of \$2000, as in former years. For details reference is made to the Report of the Finance Committee.

A statement of our various securities will be laid before the meeting.

ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

A new kitchen range has, on the repeated recommendation of the visiting Governors, been recently erected. Mr. Chester gave the cost of the brick-work as a donation to the Institution, and Messrs. Rogers & King, liberally deducted the sum of \$50, from their account. Both of these sums appear among the donations. A new entrance has also been made to the Womens' night refuge, by which means the Mens' and Womens' night apartments are kept entirely separate.

Your Board have obtained from the Quebec Legislature an amendment to the Act Incorporating the Institution, making it lawful to hold permanently, in addition to what is required for use and occupation, any Real Estate not exceeding in annual value the sum of twenty thousand dollars. The application for authority to invest any surplus funds in other securities than those referred to in the third section of the Act of Incorporation (viz. Government securities, City Corporation Bonds, or first mortgages within the City of Montreal) was, however, disallowed by the Legislature.

Your Board have much pleasure in reporting that as the result of their recent application to the Government for assistance, the Legislature has granted a sum of \$800, for the benefit of the Institution. The services of Messrs. Ritchie, Morris and Rose, our honorary solicitors, who prepared the necessary documents, are hereby acknowledged.

DONATIONS.

Your Board take the present opportunity of returning their thanks to all those who have aided the Institution by sending in donations of money, clothing, provisions, &c. They are indebted to Messrs. D. Morice & Co., for a liberal supply of ice, the past summer, and to the pro-

prietors of the *Witness*, *Daily News*, and *Church Observer*, for copies of their Journals left at the Institution on days of publication. Also to Mr. Lovell for all the printing required, paper, &c. These donations are specially mentioned here, as they have not been otherwise acknowledged.

The Institution is indebted to the Trustees of the Mount Royal Cemetery for the gift of a lot of ground to be used as a burial place for persons dying in the Institution.

OUT-DOOR RELIEF.

The Out-Door Board have as previously made your Institution the centre of their operations during the past winter, and reference is made to their report hereto appended. It would be impossible to detail in this report the many ways in which the poor have been aided. Suffice it to say that your Institution has, in conjunction with the Out-Door Relief Board, afforded material aid to hundreds of poor families who, without such aid, must have been reduced to the extremity of misery and want. The special thanks of the Governors are due to the many benevolent friends who by their contributions, helped to sustain this important work.

The Board are again reminded that "here we have no continuing city" for death has taken from us four of the Governors of the Institution during the year, namely, John Redpath, William Dow, Samuel G. Smith and John Henry Evans. From the commencement, the duties of President were faithfully discharged by the late John Redpath, Esq., who devoted much valuable time to the Institution, and always manifested a deep interest in its welfare.

The names of the retiring members of the Board of Management, all of them being eligible for re-election, are as follows:

Wm. Murray,	J. P. Clark,
Wm. Molson,	John G. Mackenzie,
Wm. Workman,	T. M. Thomson,
Chas. Alexander,	John Caverhill,
	Edmund Atwater.

A meeting of the Life and Elective Governors, will be held on Wednesday the 28th inst., at 3 o'clock, p. m., to fill these vacancies.

It will be the duty of the Board of Governors this day to elect twenty-four gentlemen, being subscribers of from one to four hundred dollars, to serve as Elective Governors for one year from this date, in place of the following who retire:

E. F. Ames,	Richard Holland,
David Brown,	Wm. Lunn,
Henry Bulmer,	S. H. May,
C. J. Brydges,	A. A. Murphy,
N. B. Corse,	C. D. Proctor,
Wm. Clendinneng,	Thos. Rimmer,
James Court,	Wm. Sache,
James Dakers,	Thos. H. Schneider,
John Dougall,	David Sinclair,
J. H. Evans, (Deceased),	Andrew Wilson,
A. F. Gault,	J. C. Watson,
J. C. Becket,	Miles Williams, jun.

In conclusion your Board would humbly but earnestly invoke the blessing of God on the beneficent work in which they have been en-