

as some of our North of Ireland friends speak much broader Scotch than the emigrants from Edinburgh and Glasgow, and, although we often give them some test words to pronounce, we do not always succeed in detecting the imposition.

The case of the blind man, Stewart, now in the Brantford Asylum, referred to in our last Annual Report, is still unsettled, and we have had to spend a considerable sum in maintaining him during the summer months.

We have now on our books two regular pensioners, Mr. W. and Mr. E., and these two cases will require the careful attention of your new Managers.

We have expended of your funds the sum of \$659.54, and have relieved over 350 people.

In retiring from our offices as managers we have to thank the officers and members for their readiness at all times to assist us with money and advice when called upon to do so, and we commend our successors to your hearty sympathy and support.

We remain,

Yours fraternally,

MALCOLM GIBBS,	} <i>Managers.</i>
JNO. CATTO,	
J. MURRAY,	

During the year 1896 seventeen gentlemen have been elected members and two have withdrawn their names. The Society has been called upon at each quarterly meeting to deplore the death of old and valued members. Thomas McCracken, Sir David Macpherson, Rev. Dr. Reid, John Ritchie, James Scott and Richard Donald, have passed to the "Land