

FINAL REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE,

Submitted at the Annual Meeting, June 25th, 1865, and published by order.

HALIFAX, June 24, 1865.

THE Building Committee of King's College Hall and Library, beg leave to report, that since the last general meeting of the Associated Alumni, the contractor for erecting a building, to be held and used as a Hall, Library and Chapel, has put new window frames as proposed, replaced the slates (two or three being overlooked by the workmen) and pointed the masonry as required. The Committee found it necessary, for the preservation of the foundation, to remove a good deal of earth which was lying against it, and ordered this to be done, as also that the ground in front, on each side and in the rear should be levelled, and finally, that a carriage road should be made. This work was done during the autumn of last year by contracts at an expense of \$100, and the Committee are fully satisfied with the manner in which it was performed.

The Committee very much regret that another contract for building a tower has not been fulfilled, but as this is entirely separate from the original contract and the expense of it wholly borne by the liberal donor whose name it bears, they deem it unnecessary to enter into particulars further than to say that they hope to have it completed, as far as possible, in the course of the present summer.

With regard to financial matters, the Committee have to announce that every sum subscribed in the list has been received (except one of \$40, which was only applied for a few days since, and no doubt will be paid immediately). The total amount, including a small sum of interest from money deposited in the Savings' Bank a few years ago, amounts to \$8896.75.

The sum to be paid Mr. Lang according to contract was \$9620.40. Of this sum he has been paid \$8500, leaving a balance due him of \$1120.40. To meet this sum we have in the Bank only \$227.09; the sum of \$169.66 having been expended in drainage, road, engineers' reports, &c., &c.

The Committee are exceedingly desirous that the accounts should be closed in order that they may formally hand the building over to the Governors, and feeling that it would be next to impossible to collect any further sum towards this particular object, they are compelled to fall back upon the agreement of the Associate Alumni to indemnify and save them from loss, and hereby request them to discharge the debt.

Of the \$1120.40 owing to Mr. Lang, the Chairman of the Committee many months since advanced \$800. The Committee feel it their duty to press the Alumni to reimburse him the money advanced to the contractor from his private purse.

GEORGE W. HILL,

Secretary of Building Committee.