

Mr. Hugh Mackay for the office, which nomination being accepted by him was confirmed by his appointment as president. The managers were now determined to expand the benefits of the charity, and having plenty of accommodation have resolved to associate the care of the blind with that of the deaf-mutes. The peculiar object, however, of ministering to the wants and education of deaf-mutes would be kept steadily in view, and the other would occupy only a subordinate position, until such time as it would be seen how far the existing resources and conveniences could be expended on the auxiliary effort for the blind. The report then referred to the valuable services of the Principal, Mr. Widd, and the Lady Superintendent, Miss McGann. The Rev. Canon Norman also deserved especial thanks for his examination of the pupils; and with him also originated the test examination of a limited number of pupils of the Institute with a similar number of those of the Royal Arthur School, the result of which had been sufficiently encouraging to justify its repetition at a future time. Earnest thanks were also expressed to the collectors and to a wide-spread circle of friends for their liberal support.

## FINANCES.

The following is the financial statement for the year ending 31st July, 1883 :—

## RECEIPTS.

City Collections.....	\$ 3,010 00
Donations .....	272 45
Donation from City & District Saving's Bank .....	100 00
Pupils' Fees .....	2,014 75
Dividend Mechanics' Bank .....	404 31
Cote St Antoine property .....	1,255 20
Government grant .....	1,729 00
Interest .....	603 54
Special Collection to wipe out debt. ....	3,575 00
Country branch Collections .....	743 12
Proceeds of Sales, &c .....	46 75
Annual Subscriptions .....	107 00
Sundries .....	28 39
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