

THE SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Montreal General Hospital was held in the Governor's Hall of the institution, on Tuesday, the 19th May, 1885. Mr. Andrew Robertson, President of the Board of Governors, in the chair.

The Secretary read the following report, which was adopted and ordered to be printed for circulation amongst the subscribers.

Gentlemen of the Corporation of the Montreal General Hospital.

I have the honor to present a brief report of the finances of the institution and of the proceedings of the Governors during the year which terminated the 30th April, 1885.

A resume of our financial statement will be found embodied in the report.

If the financial statement be analyzed and some of its items compared with those of the year which immediately preceded it, the following points of interest will appear:—The expenditure of the year 1884-85 was \$40,910.27 and the income \$39,308.71, showing an excess of expenditure over income of \$1,601.56. Comparing the expenditure of 1884-85, \$40,910.27, with that of 1883-84, \$40,713.36; the former exceeds the latter only by \$196.91—a result very satisfactory when it is borne in mind that 190 more in-door patients were treated this last year than in its immediate predecessor. The increased expenditure in 1884-85 over that of 1883-84 has occurred chiefly in the following items:—Drying room and alterations, \$696.25; nurses' and womens' wages, \$327.70; workman's wages, \$199.56; drugs and medicines, \$326.14; instruments, etc., \$267.64; gas, \$172.01; repairs, \$131.34; furniture and crockery, \$120.23; and printing, advertising and stationery, \$65.39. The reduced expenditure, obtained chiefly under the following heads:—Provisions, etc., \$1,154.85; wines and liquors, \$69.77; dry goods, bedding, etc., \$359.52; coal and wood, \$161.06; medical officers' salaries, \$550;