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At the quarterly meeting in April, it has deemed advisable, considering the distress prevalent more or less amongst all classes of society, to dispense with the annual dinner on St. George's Day, and instead thereof, the members of the Society attended Divine Service at St. James' Cathedral. Your Committee are very much indebted to the Rev. Dr. Beaven, the Rev. T. S. Kennedy, Mr. Carter, and the members of the choir for their gratuitions services rendered on that occasion. Messrs. T. D. Harrisand L. Moffat, Churchwardens, also kindly granted the free use of the Church as well as the gas used during the evenings the Choir were practising. A Collection was taken up on behalf of the Charitable Fund, realising the very handsome sum of \$171.60 after defraying expenses of Printing and Advertising, &c.

At the quarterly meeting in July, your Committee recommended as a means of raising additional Funds to meet the pressing demands upon the Treasurer, that an Excursion should take pince, and, this meeting the views of the members, a day was appointed, the 26th July, and arrangements were made to proceed to Queenston Heights. A large number of Englishmen with their families availed themselves of the opportunity thus afforded of visiting that celebrated locality, spending a very happy day, and returning in the evening well pleased with the Excursion. The profits arising, after paying all expenses, amounted to \$38.62.

Your Committee would congratulate the Society on the success of their application to Parliament for an Act of Incorporation. The Bill was entrusted to our President, J. B. Robinson, Esq., M.P.P., and through his instrumentality the Bill passed both Houses without opposition, and without expense to the Society. In consequence of this Act, it will be necessary to revise the By-Laws, and the Viçe President, Mr. Thomas Brown gave the necessary notice at the Quarterly meeting in October of his intention to move resolutious altering the Constitution and By-Laws that they may conform with the Act.