

THE FIFTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF

THE MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL.

The Annual Meeting of the Corporation of the Montreal General Hospital was held on the 21st May. Mr. T. M. Taylor was called to the Chair, and the Secretary read the following report :—

Gentlemen of the Corporation of the Montreal General Hospital, in conformity with long established custom, I have now the honor of submitting the Annual report—and it is the fiftieth—of the proceedings of the Board of Governors during the year which terminated on the 30th April last, together with a brief sketch of the history of the Hospital since its foundation.

The amount received as “income” during the year has been \$32771, 68, the sources of which will be found in the Treasurer’s “Financial Statement” appended to this report. It will be noticed that \$4000 of this sum belong to the income of 1871, and were included in last year’s report, although they had not been received until after the closing of last year’s Accounts. This will reduce the proper income of the year to \$28771, 68.

The ordinary expenditure of the year has been.....	\$22413.13
And as the ordinary income has been.....	28771.68
There exists an excess of income over expenditure of.....	6358.55

This is the first time for many years that the receipts have exceeded the expenditure, and the circumstance arises not so much from the fact that the outlay in the past year has been \$2592 less than in 1870-71, but that the collections in the city have been very good, reaching the handsome sum of \$11346.28 as against \$7390.68 in the year immediately preceding, or about fifty per cent. more.

While this large increase in the Annual Collections is chiefly due to the generosity of the citizens and the larger number of collectors who kindly called for subscriptions in the several wards, not a little of it is owing to the personal interest which Mr. R. Muir, the Chairman of a Committee on Collections appointed last year, took in procuring gentlemen to perform the work of collecting, in which work he himself participated.