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SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

UPPER CANADA INSTITUTION

FOR

The Deaf and Dumb and for the Blind.

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In submitting to your consideration my Semi-Annual Report for the half-year ending June 30th, 1865, I feel it my duty to record with humble thankfulness a continuance of that goodness and mercy which a gracious and merciful Providence has vouchsafed to us during the past half-year. The health of the inmates can bear favorable comparison with any other institution of a similar character in the United States, or in Great Britain, and the practical sympathy exhibited, in so marked a manner, by the citizens of Hamilton, in relieving the pecuniary wants of the establishment and in ministering to the happiness of its deeply afflicted inmates, calls forth from me devout recognition of the goodness and inscrutable will of the Great Architect of the Universe, that the Institution is located in the midst of a people whose peculiar characteristic is the relief of suffering humanity in its various forms and phases. Words of mine are inadequate to express the feelings of my heart for the many acts of kindness manifested towards me and my charge, since our arrival here; suffice it to say that I shall ever cherish a grateful remembrance of them. The average number of pupils on the Roll during the past half-year, is 57, six of whom have left; leaving at present 51 in attendance. Four were removed early in January because the

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