

you and your respected husband. May the remaining years of your lives be not a descent into a dark valley, but rather an ascent to the higher and brighter regions of love and joy. May your pathway lead ever upward, shining more and more unto the perfect day. There, in that Beulah-land of waiting, may your 'ears be filled with heavenly noises and your eyes with celestial visions,' until at last you behold the golden light of the New Jerusalem, and enter in at the gates into the city, to behold the King in His beauty, and to hear the 'Well done, good and faithful servants, enter ye into the joy of your Lord.'

"On behalf of the Board of Management.

"MARIA J. I. THORBURN,  
*Recording Secretary.*

"October 27th, 1890."

In 1893 an important change was made in the date of the Annual Meeting. Hitherto it had been held in January, but October being the month when all government returns had to be sent in, it was felt it would simplify business greatly if the Annual Meeting were held in that month. A By-law was, therefore, adopted to make legal this change, the financial year to end September 30th.

In October of the same year, the institution lost by death its first legal adviser, Robt. Lees, Esq., who had held that position for nearly thirty years, and who had only once been absent from an Annual Meeting. A faithful friend we always felt we had in Mr. Lees, and one ever ready to advise and assist us. John Christie, Esq., was appointed in his place.

In 1893 two new societies were organized in Ottawa, the "National Council of Women," and