

classes was not sufficient for the accommodation of those desiring to enter, and many had to be dismissed on that account. Now that these classes have been successfully inaugurated, the Board doubt not but that their advantages will be eagerly sought for by the many not able to attend the Public Schools during the day. The prize money offered by the Mechanics' Association was duly paid and the amount divided into nine prizes, given to the successful competitors, the examinations being conducted, at the request of the Directors, by Messrs. Macallum and Dickson.

The Mechanics' Institute Association have presented to this Institute a handsomely bound copy of Ures' Mechanical Dictionary, in 3 vols., with an appropriate inscription; a similar donation having been made to every institute in affiliation with them.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The necessity for increased space in which to carry on the work of the Institute is becoming year by year more apparent, and the question as to how this is to be provided will be a serious one for the incoming Board.

The Superintendent has already availed himself of every possible means to furnish additional room for the library, and the Board take this opportunity of acknowledging his great efficiency and untiring zeal in the discharge of duties which have become many, various and onerous.

The Board of Directors being personally liable for a considerable amount of floating liability, respectfully suggest that the gentlemen who succeed them should relieve them of this liability by assuming it themselves.

All which, together with accompanying statements and accounts, is respectfully submitted.

J. KNEESHAW,

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