

# TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

### SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

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ATEN. The Board of Managers have much pleasure in submitting to the members of the Corporation, to the Governments and Legislatures interested, and to the friends of the Blind, the Twenty-Sixth Annual Report of the School, and in doing so, they desire to express their gratitude to Almighty God for the many blessings the School is now enjoying, and for the encouragement they have received during the past year in the efforts they have made to promote the welfare of those who are deprived of sight.

The rapid growth of the School has brought with it increased care, but to your Board this growth is a matter for sincere congratulation, and we have no desire to shrink from assuming the fullest measure of responsibility. Were the increase in the School indicative of the increase of blindness, there would be a cause for regret, but, fortunately, blindness is not on the increase, and the addition to our numbers is mainly due to the reputation which the School has gained throughout the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, and to the efforts that are constantly being made to make the School known to the parents and guardians of those who are deprived of sight. Here we might mention with sincere thanks the splendid work that has been done for this School by the press in all parts of the four Maritime Provinces. Through this potent agency, supplemented by other means, the School has become known in the remotest districts, and the knowledge of its blessings has proved a solace to the father and mother of many a blind child.

We feel that no effort should be spared in bringing into the School every child who is deprived of sight, and hence we are deeply grateful for the help which we have received in this direction from the ministers of all denominations, from the teachers in the Public Schools, and from many friends of the Institution.