

paid by members of average age, who receive a weekly allowance during sickness of 12s sterling, which is equivalent to \$3 of our money. And, noticing this fact, it is almost remarkable how successful we have been thus far, seeing that it is necessary in England to pay higher dues than we do, to secure success where benefit societies have in a great many instances proved to be failures. I would, notwithstanding the prosperity to which we have attained, urge upon you the necessity of increasing the membership to a still greater extent, and to use every opportunity of pressing the claims of the society upon your friends, thereby promoting your own personal benefit and advancing the welfare of others. I would remind you also of the privilege you have over any of our sister societies in this city, of the library which contains 325 volumes of well-selected and useful works, and to which you have free access at any monthly meeting. You have a free library among yourselves, and that is more than this great city of Montreal can boast of.

During the six years the Society has been in existence, there has been paid also the sum of \$105.56 by this Society to the library fund. For the physician's services, \$885.62, and for the working expenses of the Society the sum of \$1,060.07. For the same period the total receipts from all sources have amounted to \$8,645.76, of which \$25 were for the library fund; \$826.36 have been realized from concerts and excursions, and \$7,794.40 were received from the members, being for dues and honorary members' subscriptions; and surely when