

In regard to the choice of a site and erection of a building for the permanent poor, nothing further has been done since last meeting, the present buildings necessary for the city having occupied the whole of the attention of your Board. In regard to a site, they are prepared to recommend the farm left to the Institution by the late Thos. Molson, Esquire, as a suitable site for the main building and the erection of the same as soon as the funds will warrant the expenditure. As the present building will be ample for the accommodation of the poor for another year, your Board would recommend the delay of another season before commencing the new buildings, when the Board will have had more experience of what is required, and time will thus be given to realise from the sale of the remainder of our unoccupied lots on DeBloury street (if that should be determined on) to more advantage than at present. In the meantime it has been suggested that this vacant lot might be put to advantage by laying in a stock of firewood in the summer and retailing out to the poor in small quantities at cost price.

The lateness of the season before the present building could be occupied prevented your Board from making any definite arrangement for procuring employment for such of the inmates as were able to work. We would however strongly recommend to the next Board of Management that every effort should be made before the next winter to provide employment for every one able to work; and whenever work could be procured, and any who were able found unwilling to work, that they should not receive further relief from the Institution.

Your Board have to record with regret the deaths, during the past year, of the Hon. George Moffatt, Edward Maitland, Esq., R. D. Collis, Esq., and the Hon. Mr. Justice Gale, all of them Governors of the Institution.

In accordance with the Charter of Incorporation it will be the duty of the Governors, at a meeting to be held within eight days, to elect ten Governors to serve for three years in the place of the undermentioned retiring members of the Board of Management, all of them being eligible for re-election, viz. :—

James L. Mathewson, W. F. Kay, T. M. Bryson, John Sinclair, M. H. Gault, Henry Lyman, W. H. A. Davies, Wm. Lunn, George Hagar, and in the room of the late Edward Maitland, Esquire.

It will be the duty of this meeting to select a Governor to fill the place, on the Board of Management, of the late Hon. George Moffatt, whose unexpired term of office extends to two years from this date.

The whole of the elective Governors of last year, twenty-four in number, now retire from office; all of them being eligible for re-election. This meeting will proceed to the election of a like number in their place. The Governors will bear in mind that the ten new members of the Board of Management are chosen from the Life and Elective Governors. The list of gentlemen eligible to the office of Elective Governor will be found attached to the printed copies of the Bye-laws.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. REDPATH, *President.*

The Finance Committee of the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, beg leave to submit to the Governors, a detailed statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Institution, for the year ending, 31st March, 1865.

#### SUBSCRIPTION FUND.

Total amount of the original Subscription List as reported on 31st March, 1864.....	\$82,829 00	
Additional Subscriptions to 31st March, 1865, as follows: Wm. Cunningham, Esq., \$200; Mrs. Simpson's Pupils \$150; Jury fees \$24; James Cooper, Esq., \$10; John McLennan, Esq., \$20; O. G. Wolff, Esq., Hamburg, \$10—sums under \$10, \$21 35.....	\$435 35	
Interest.....	297 30	
Rent of Farm.....	160 00	
Sundries.....	10 77	
City and District Savings Bank.....	800 00	
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	\$ 1,703 42	\$84,532 42
Received on Account of First Instalment, due 1st Nov. 1865.....	29,339 00	
Received on Account of Second Instalment, due 1st Nov. 1864.....	13,150 00	42,489 00
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Balance of Subscription list due, and to become due.....		\$42,043 42
Arrears of First Instalment.....	2,510 00	
Do. of Second Do. ....	6,950 00	9,460 00
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