

with \$1,000 from the Legislature, voted in 1869, and which it is expected will be a permanent annual grant. The highest rate that any pupil has so far been enabled to pay is \$80 per annum, while one had to be taken free. The amount fixed by the Board of Managers for those who could afford to pay was \$120 per annum.

As \$5 per annum will give subscribers all the privileges of membership, it is earnestly to be hoped that many throughout the Province will add their names to the list, and use their influence in sending more pupils to take advantage of the great benefits that must result, to this hitherto neglected class in our Province, from this Institution.

The Board of Management have to regret the loss of their late President, the Hon. M. B. Almon, who ever took a warm interest in the affairs of the Institution, and was earnest in forwarding its interests.

Dr. Dodge was appointed Visiting Physician of the Institution, and is deserving of the warmest thanks of the Managers for his gratuitous and kindly services rendered on all occasions.

J. F. AVERY, Pres."

Halifax, 27th December, 1871.

From personal acquaintance with the Teachers as well as with the Steward and Matron we are enabled to speak without hesitation as to the efficiency of the Institution. The progress of the pupils already enrolled has been such as to satisfy the teachers and their friends, and the happy appearance of the pupils together with the homelike appearance of everything about the Institution, speaks volumes as to the future of this benevolent undertaking, and must be a sufficient reward to all who have contributed either money or time towards it. There is much yet to be done. A full and complete set of apparatus is an absolute necessity, and this the Institution has not yet been provided with. A Library of books in raised letters should be at the command of teachers and pupils—those so far as we saw which are now within the Institution belong to the teachers. They should not be the only books to suit the pupils and teachers within reach. The teachers may and ought to have their own books, but there should be a regularly appointed Library, to which teacher and pupil alike would have free access. We feel assured that the Board of Managers would be delighted to receive either money contribution towards the same

or suitable books in raised letter. What would be a nobler act than that of founding a Library in the Asylum for the Blind? A very small sum of money, compared with the sums every month spent on vanity, would accomplish this and hand down a name to a grateful posterity.

As this brief notice of a good and Christian Institution may meet the eye of some one who may have a friend who would be benefited by the Institution, we give the conditions of the Report as to the admission of pupils:—

(1) *General Terms*—

Young blind persons of good moral character, between the ages of eight and eighteen, may be admitted to the Institution by paying one hundred and twenty dollars per annum, the payments to be made by half-yearly instalments in advance. This sum shall cover all the expenses of board, washing, tuition, and medical attendance. The pupils must furnish their own clothing, and pay their own fares to and from the Institution.

Their friends may visit them at reasonable times under the regulations of the Board.

(2) *Special Cases*—

The Board of Managers may receive special applications for the admission of pupils who are in indigent circumstances, and grant or refuse the same from time to time as in their judgment may be consistent with the state of the funds of the Institution.

(3) *Day Scholars*—

The Board may, at their discretion, receive day scholars upon such terms and conditions as they may prescribe.

(4) *Forms, &c.*—

Applications for admission must be addressed to the Recording Secretary, at the Asylum, and made upon the forms and in accordance with the directions prescribed by the Board.

Articles Contributed.

Addresses at the Prayer Meeting by the late Rev. Dr. Donald.

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THE APOSTLES—PETER.

(Luke vi. 13-16.)

What an interesting list is here presented to us! Whatever may be the judgment of those, who are led by the glare