

TORONTO MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

ANNUAL MEETING—1863.

The Annual Meeting of Members was held in the Music Hall, on Monday evening, 11th May, 1863, at eight o'clock P.M. —RICE LEWIS, Esq., President, in the Chair.

The Minutes of the preceding Quarterly Meeting were read and approved.

The following letter, from the Montreal Mechanics' Institute, was read :—

MONTREAL, February 27th, 1863.

TO THE SECRETARY,
TORONTO MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

SIR,—At the meeting of the Committee, Montreal Mechanics' Institute, held on last Monday evening, the possibility of increasing the funds of the Institute was brought forward for consideration, and after proposing several plans, the following was agreed upon, and I was instructed to communicate the same to the Institute in Toronto :—

Resolved,—That the Committee of this Institute do take such steps as may be deemed necessary, in order to have a *successful excursion to Toronto*, about the beginning of July next ; and that they make arrangements with the Grand Trunk Railroad, whereby the trip shall be the first of the season.

Resolved,—That the Corresponding Secretary do write the Secretary of the Toronto Mechanics' Institute, informing them of our intentions ; and at the same time suggesting that it might be made profitable to them also, were they to get up an *Excursion to Niagara Falls*, at the same time, as no doubt many of the excursionists would desire to see the Falls.

Should this meet the views of the Members of your Board, we would be thankful for timely notice.

I am, your most obedient Servant,

ROBERT IRWIN, CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,
Montreal Mechanics' Institute.

P.S.—Perhaps it might be as well to give you the idea of the Institute. It is this : that the proceeds of the Excursion from Montreal to Toronto will be taken by the Montreal Mechanics' Institute, and from Toronto to the Falls by the Toronto Mechanics' Institute. At the same time we would use our influence in selling tickets for the upper section for you.

R. IRWIN.