

MINUTES of the proceedings of a Public Meeting held in the City Hall on Wednesday the 15th Nov. 1837. pursuant to a notice issued by His Worship the Mayor, to take into consideration the most efficient means of relieving the Poor and Destitute of this City, and the promotion of the interests of the House of Refuge and Industry established therein.

HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR in the Chair

The Chairman commenced the meeting by a few introductory remarks, which he closed by calling on the Secretary to read the Report.

The Secretary having read the Report, it was

Moved by the Hon. W. H. Draper, seconded by the Rev. E. Evans,

That the Report just read be adopted
 Moved by the Rev. W. M. Harvard seconded by the Hon. Wm. Allan.

That it is the duty and privilege of Christians to provide for the wants of the Poor, and that as a means of so doing, so far as this City is concerned, it is important every exertion should be made to render the House of Industry a permanent institution.

Moved by Sheriff Jarvis, seconded by the Rev. W. M. Harvard,

That in order to render any public charity efficient, it is absolutely necessary street-begging be discontinued, and that by the steady co-operation alone of the inhabitants of this City and District, can the contemplated relief to the poor be impartially and effectually distributed.

Moved by Alderman John Powell, seconded by J. W. Brent Esq.

That inasmuch as this City is the general resort of the Poor, and has to relieve the destitute from every part of the District, it is expedient that an application be made both to the Provincial Parliament and the Home District generally, for aid in support of this charity.

Moved by Dr. Baldwin, seconded by the Rev. Mr. McDonough,

That it is the opinion of this meeting an application might with propriety be made by the inhabitants of this City to the Corporation for the appropriation of a sum of money in aid of the funds of the House of Industry, and that such application be made forthwith.

Moved by the Rev. James Harris, seconded by the Rev. Alex. Stewart,

That the following do compose the Committee for the Relief of the Poor and Destitute, and for the House of Industry for the ensuing year:

The resident Clergymen of the City.
 The Hon. W. H. Draper,
 Sheriff Jarvis,
 Dr. Baldwin,
 The Mayor,
 Capt. Fitzgibbon, and

Messrs. Alex. Wood, P. Patterson, Sen., P. Patterson, Jun., John Powell, Wm. Stennet, John Ewart, T. D. Harris, J. Lesslie, Wm. Ketchum, J. W. Brent, S. E. Taylor, Jas. Beatty, John Eastwood, G. P. Ridout, Isaac Buchanan, William Atkinson, H. Rowsell, John Lynch, E. McElderry, Thomas Storm, Geo. Bilton, and Wm. Musson.

Moved by Dr. Baldwin, seconded by the Hon. and Venerable the Archdeacon,

That a subscription list be forthwith opened in behalf of the funds of the House of Industry.

Upon which the following Gentlemen subscribed as follows:

	£	s	d.
The Ven. the Archdeacon,	5	0	0
Rev. J. H. Harris, L. L. D.	3	0	0
Hon. W. H. Draper,	5	0	0
Hon. Wm. Allan,	7	10	0
Doctor Baldwin,	5	0	0
Sheriff Jarvis,	3	0	0
John Ewart, Esq.	2	10	0
Alderman Powell,	1	5	0
Hugh Carfrae, Sen.	1	5	0
John Eastwood,	1	5	0

John Lynch, Esq.	1	0	0
J. W. Brent, Esq.	1	5	0
Henry Rowsell,	1	5	0
Rev. E. Evans,	1	5	0
Rev. W. M. Harvard,	1	5	0
Alexander Hamilton,	1	5	0
George Bilton,	1	5	0
Thomas Storm,	1	5	0
Samuel Shaw,	1	5	0
Samuel E. Taylor,	2	10	0
P. Patterson, Sen. Esq.	1	5	0
Rev. James Harris,	1	0	0
Rev. Alex. Stewart,	1	0	0
The Mayor,	1	5	0
Richard Woodsworth,	2	0	0
Thos. J. Preston,	1	0	0

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Moved by Sheriff Jarvis, seconded by the Venerable the Archdeacon.

That the thanks of this meeting be given to Dr. Baldwin, the acting Chairman, and the Treasurer and Secretary of the Managing Committee, for their valuable services in the support of the House of Industry.

Moved by the Rev. J. H. Harris, L. L. D., seconded by the Rev. Alex. Stewart,

That this meeting desires to record its high sense of the very efficient manner in which the duties of his responsible situation have been discharged, by the Superintendent of the House of Industry, (James Curran) during the past year.

Moved by the Hon. W. H. Draper, seconded by Dr. Baldwin.

That the Mayor leave the chair, and that the Sheriff take it.

Moved by the Hon. W. H. Draper, seconded by Dr. Baldwin,

That the thanks of this meeting are justly due to the Mayor, for his promptitude in complying with the wishes of the Committee in calling the meeting as well as for his able and satisfactory conduct in the chair.

SAM'L E. TAYLOR,
 Secretary.

N. B. The Inhabitants of the City may expect to be waited on in a few days, for Subscriptions in aid of the funds of the House of Industry, when it is hoped liberal contributions will be made, as otherwise this valuable charity must cease: the Committee's Report showing a debt due by them of nearly FORTY POUNDS.

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