## THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

MINUTES OF THIRTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION OF THE PROTESTANT HOUSE OF INDUSTRY AND REFUGE, held April 20th, 1898.

## PRESENT:

Charles Alexander, Pres., in the Chair.
Hon. J. K. Ward,
Rev. E. McManus,
Rev. J. F. Renaud,
Walter Livermore,
Daniel Wilson,
Theodore Lyman,
A. F. Gault,
Pres., in the Chair.
Heffrey H. Burland,
John Patterson,
Rev. DeGruchy,
James Moore,
Rev. D. S. Hamilton,
D. McMillan, Sec'y.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. J. F. Renaud.

The minutes of last meeting of Governors were read and confirmed.

## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS.

In reviewing the past year we have nothing very special to report, only that the benevolent purposes of our Institution have gone steadily forward in reliance on Divine favour in providing homes for our aged and friendless poor, who from various reasons have to seek a haven of rest in their declining years.

It is a source of gratitude that no untoward accident has happened to cause unnecessary alarm to our inmates. The Home has been one of comfort and of peace.

Again we are reminded by the removal from among us by death of six more of our Governors, teaching the solemn truth that here we have no continuing city.

It will be of interest to mention here the following facts, viz.: that of the first 96 life Governors only 39 remain; out of 163 elective Governors only 46 remain; of the whole number, 259 Governors, only 75 are now with us, a lesson for gratitude to those of us who remain to be faithful and work while it is day.

The Moore Home continues a noble and valuable adjunct to the purposes of our Institution. The statement in the Report will show how useful it has been and the good work done; numbers of both sexes have had rest and careful attention during convalescence and, regaining strength, have returned to their usual occupations. Others of our incurable inmates are still in the Home and have all needed care. Here, too, however, some have died with even the best attention and medical treatment.

Your Committee, though often discouraged, not seeing others coming to fill up the ranks of those gone from us, having departed this life, yet with cheerfulness continue the duties given them to do, believing the purposes and objects of this work is to the praise of Him who said, "For as much as ye have done it to one of the least of these ye have done it unto Me."

The Honorary Secretary, Mr. Jeffrey H. Burland, was called upon to read the annual report and financial statement for the year.

## RESOLUTION.

That the report and annual statement as now read, be received, adopted and printed.

Moved by A. F. Gault, seconded by James Moore, and resolved:

That the following twenty-four gentlemen be elective Governors for the ensuing year, viz.:—