

Thus it is felt that this Institution has established a strong and indisputable claim to public and private support, and has a right to expect the required assistance in providing a suitable building for its location, as is once more so properly and so earnestly urged in the Medical Report.

Objections are often made when private contributions are asked, to the effect that as the subjects treated at the Institution are either the strangers, or the poor of the land for whose support taxes are levied, the City and Provincial Treasuries should bear the whole expense of its maintenance. At present it receives only \$400 from the Province, and \$500 from the city. It is earnestly hoped that both these grants will be largely increased for the year 1872—thus enabling the Directors to extend and improve their operations, instead of crippling their means of usefulness, as is the case now. Meanwhile, however, let not our former friends withhold their pecuniary support, but rather increase it as God hath prospered them; and let them advise those who have not yet subscribed to do so at once. And instead of waiting to be called upon, they will greatly oblige by sending their contributions to the worthy Treasurer, T. E. Kenny, Esq., or the Secretary, or any of the Directors. There is wealth enough in the city of Halifax to build and endow a Dispensary that would immortalize the name of the donors, and to do the like for all our other charitable institutions requiring help, and still leave the owners abundance for themselves and families. Let us hope that the example of Peabody in England and America, and of our own Wm. Murdoch, formerly connected with the old Dispensary, in richly endowing several of our humane institutions,