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GOTTINGEN ST., HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

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Directors.

HON. D. McNEIL PARKER, M. D., AND M. L. C. GEORGE H. STARR, Esq. GEORGE R. ANDERSON, Esq. REV. PROFESSOR FORREST. A. K. MACKINLAY, Esq.

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REV. JOHN FORREST.

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DONALD A. CAMPBELL, M. D.

Consulting Physician.

ANDREW J. COWIE, m. d.

Dentist.

DR. A. C. COGSWELL

Oculist,

STEPHEN DODGE, M. D

OFFICERS AND TEACHERS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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Principal.

J. SCOTT HUTTON, M. A.

Assistant Teachers.

MISS JULIA R. BATEMAN.

JAMES DOW.

WM. J. STEWART.

Matron.
MRS. VINECOVE.

INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

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Terms of Admission.

1. Applicants must be Deaf and Dumb, between the ages of TEN and FOURTEEN, of sound mind, free from immoralities of conduct, and from contagious and offensive diseases.*

2. Applications for admission should be made in writing (post-paid) to the Secretary, or to the Principal of the Institution.

3. The following are the charges, payable HALF YEARLY in advance:— BOARDER PUPILS, \$80 and \$100 per session according to age. These rates

include tuition, board, washing and medical attendance, but no deductions will be made on account of vacation.

DAY PUPILS are received for \$20 per session.

4. These terms may be modified according to the circumstances of the applicant, at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

5. The Session commences on the first Wednesday of September, and closes on the second Wednesday of July. Parents and Gaardians will be duly notified of the day on which the school closes, that they may make arrangements for conveying their children home. Except in case of sickness, or other unavoidable cause, pupils cannot be permitted to leave before the specified time.

6. The opening of the Session is the proper time for the admission of pupils, and punctuality is NECESSARILY REQUIRED, as new classes are formed at that period. Every pupil should come promptly the first day of the term, and continue to the close.

7. Pupils are expected to spend the vacation at home or with their friends. This arrangement is as desirable for the health of the pupils—which will be promoted by a change of air and exercise—as for the convenience of the Institution.

8. Every boarder is expected to have the following articles of clothing, all to be distinctly marked with the pupil's name in full.

FOR MALE PUPILS.

- 2 Week-day suits (dark colour)
- 1 Sunday suit. do. 2 pairs of Boots or Shoes.
- 2 pairs of Drawers.
- 4 pairs of Woollen Socks.
- 5 Shirts.
- 2 Flannel Shirts.

- 4 Pocket Handkerchiefs.
- 2 Neckerchiefs.
- 1 Muffler.
- 2 pairs warm Gloves or Mit's.
- 1 Overcoat
- 2 pairs of Suspenders.
- 1 pair Rubber Shoes.

Also, for small boys, 2 or 4 Check or Gingham Sacks or Overalls.

Applications on behalf of persons above or under the required age will be considered by the Directors, and dealt with on their special merits.

FOR FEMALE PUPILS.

L'OR LES	TALE PUPILS.
 2 Summer Dresses, 2 Winter Dresses, 1 Sunday Hat or Bonnet, 1 Week day Hat or Hood, 4 Pocket Handkerchiefs, 5 Pairs of Stockings, 	 Night-gowns. or more changes of under-clothing. Pairs of Shoes or Boots. Pair of Rubbers. Shawl or Cloak.

ADDITIONAL ARTICLES FOR BOTH SEXES.

1 Small-tooth comb. 1 Common or Pocket-comb. 1 Hair Brush.	1 Clothes Brush. 1 Umbrella. 1 Box or Trunk.
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Series of Questions to be answered in writing on behalf of each pupil previous to admission.

- 1. The name of the pupil in full.
- 2. The year, month, and day of birth.
- 3. The cause of deafness, and age when it occurred.
- 4. Is the child totally deaf and dumb? If not, what is the degree of hearing or speech?
- 5. The natural capacity; is it bright and active, or dull, stupid or idiotic and Does the child communicate his wants and wishes by signs so as to be understood by those with whom he has constant intercourse?
- 6. Has he (or she) received as yet any education?
- 7. Has the pupil had any of the following diseases:-

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mumps?	rickets?	
epilepsy or fits?	Has he (or she) been	whooping cough

- 8. Is his (or her) sight perfect?
- 9. Are the child's habits cleanly, especially at night?
- 10. Does consumption exist in the family or near relatives ?
- 11. Has he (or she) been subject to a cough?
- 12. Has he (or she) had any serious attacks of illness or eruptions on the body if so, their character?
- 13. Is he (or she) robust in frame and appearance, or the contrary?
- 14. Were the parents related before marriage? If so, in what manner?
- 15. Are there any persons in the family entirely or partially deaf? If so, at what age, and from what cause, did they become so?
- 16. The names residence, occupation and post office address of the parents.
- 17. The number and names of the children in the family.
- 18. Are the parents (or guardians) in circumstances to contribute to the support of the pupil in the institution, and to what extent? If unable to contribute, the same to be certified by a minister or magistrate.

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FORM OF CERTIFICATE

To accompany the Answers to the foregoing, and to be signed by a Medical man, and a Minister or Magistrate.

This is to certify, that to the best of my knowledge I believe to be of sound mind, generally healthy, and free from any contagious disease or vice which would render his residence with other pupils undesirable. The statements above are also, in my opinion, correct.

(Signature)....

NOTICE.

Printed forms of the foregoing Questions and Certificate to be filled up, can be obtained from the Secretary or Principal of the Institution.

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Report of Directors.

The Board of Directors have great pleasure in presenting their Twenty-sixth Annual Report. During the past year, the work of the Institution has been, in many respects, more satisfactory than ever before. In the school everything has been most encouraging. Mr. Hutton and his assistants so faithfully discharge their duties that the minds of the Directors are relieved of all anxiety with regard to the practical working of the school. A short visit to the school, during working hours, will satisfy any one that the work of instruction is being most faithfully and successfully carried on. The report of the Principal will show, to those who have not an opportunity of witnessing for themselves, what is being accomplished.

In the home life of the Institution everything has been satisfactory. The dining-room has been enlarged and greatly improved; a large play-room has been provided for the boys, and a number of other improvements in the house and outbuildings, long contemplated, have at last been secured. These improvements have cost a considerable expenditure of money, but have greatly added to the comfort of the pupils, and enabled the matron, Mrs. Vinecove, and her assistants, to carry on their work much more satisfactorily. The Directors would gladly welcome the close and careful inspection of the public, for they feel confident that a healthier and happier family is not to be found in the land.

The Doctor's report will show how much they have to be thankful for in the matter of health. Dr. Campbell, the physician, has been most attentive, visiting the Institution regularly during the whole year. The Directors would express their thanks to Dr. Campbell, the physician of the Institution, to Dr Dodge, for services so freely rendered in the treatment of several patients affected with diseases of the eyes, and to Dr. Cogswell, who always cheerfully renders whatever service is required in his department.

The large number of pupils which are now in the Institution, and the improvements in the buildings, together with the increase in our teaching staff, have greatly added to our The Directors are thankful for the interest expenses. manifested by the Legislatures of the different provinces in the past, and for the grants received during the present year; but they feel that the time has come when the arrangements with the different provinces should be reconsidered, so that the amounts received should be in proportion to the number receiving instruction. When the Institution was first started it was difficult to impress upon the minds of the parents of deaf mutes the duty which they owed to their children, and the advantages which the Institution offered. Twentysix years of successful work have not only made the Institution well known throughout the Maritime Provinces, but have convinced the parents of the great blessings which is offered to their children. During the year 1883, 76 pupils have enjoyed the privileges of the Institution. To provide instruction and board, and in some cases clothing, for such a family requires a considerable income, even with the strictest economy. The Directors feel confident that the Provinces will cheerfully provide whatever is necessary. Our free school system provides education for every hearing child in the land. Justice seems to demand the same privilege should be extended to those who are deprived of hearing and speech. Without education, these children will grow up to be a burden on the community, a few of them being fit for mere drudges, while most of them simply swell the list of helpless paupers. With education, they become intelligent men and women,

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able to support themselves, and to do their share in advancing the interests of the community. As a mere question of economy it will pay to educate these afflicted children, even if other considerations should not prompt it. True, their affliction makes their education somewhat more expensive, but renders it all the more necessary, while the comparatively small number of deaf mutes makes the cost very insignificant when distributed over a whole province. The progress already made is most encouraging, but the Directors cannot rest satisfied until every deaf mute child capable of receivinstruction is provided for.

During the past year the following bequests have been received:—From the late Mr. Hart, of Baddeck, \$10000; the late Mrs. Dunn, Halifax, \$4000; the late J. R. Smith, Arichat, \$10000; the late John King, Halifax, balance of bequest, \$300.00.

The Treasurer's Account, which is submitted herewith, will show the receipts and expenditure. The Directors tender their hearty thanks to all who have lent their aid by their subscriptions, or in any other way, during the past year. The continued thoughtfulness of a number of congregations is particularly gratifying.

In conclusion, they would express their gratitude to God, from whom all success, and every blessing comes. He has cared for us in the past. In him would we place our confidence in all times to come.

JOHN FORREST, Secretary to Board of Directors.

Principal's Report.

To the Directors of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen,—In accordance with the usual custom at this season, I beg to present my annual statement on the condition and working of the Institution. The

ATTENDANCE

for the past year may be analysed as follows:-

Pupils of previous year still in attendance	Males. 24	Females. 22	Total.
Additions during year 1883	10	5	15
Absentees expected to return	1	2	3
whose return is doubtful.	2	2	4
Left School during the year	8	2	10
Total of pupils for the year	45	33	78
Sunday Service for extern mutes	8	2	10
Total of deaf mutes handt 1 1	-		-
Total of deaf mutes benefited by the Institution during the year.	53	35	88

NEW PUPILS ADMITTED.

George H. Tupper, Middle Stewiacke, N. S.
Seymour Peverill, Halifax City.
George E. Barnard, Ekum Sekum, N. S.
Lydia Ann Thompson, The Gore, Hants, N. S.
Eudevilla Hill, Annapolis Royal.
Joseph Malone, Windsor, N. S.
William McLeod, Big Brook, Inverness, C. B.
John Macpherson Tupper, Middle Stewiacke, N. S.
George Davis Smith, Cape Island, Shelburne, N. S.
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Charles Thumith, St. John, N. B.

Mary McNeill, Crapaud, P. E. I.

William G. Purdy, Clements, Annapolis, N. S.

Matilda Burchill, Dartmouth, N. S.

The actual total attendance for the year has been two less than the number indicated above (78), which is accounted for by the circumstance that two of the new pupils admitted during the year are not in attendance at this date. One day-pupil died of brain-fever at his home in Halifax, only three months after his admission, and another pupil, a young man, 24 years of age, had to be sent home after a brief trial, as unmanageable and too old for instruction. This last case affords

A SAD ILLUSTRATION

of an evil, unfortunately too common, of parents neglecting the opportunity of sending their deaf children to the Institution until they have passed the age when they are most susceptible of improvement, and only realizing their duty and interest when they find the unfortunate mute becoming troublesome or unmanageable at home. I have on my list of uneducated deafmutes in the Province, numbers of this class, who might have enjoyed the benefits of the Institution many years ago, but who have never been sent to school, notwithstanding repeated invitations, and the fact that

OUR DOORS ARE ALWAYS OPEN

to receive them, whether able to pay or not, while none have ever been refused admission. The young man referred to has been on my list for the last twelve years or more, and, but for the strange indifference or neglect of his relatives, might long ere this, have enjoyed an education fitting him to be a useful and happy member of society, instead of being left to become a burden to himself and to his friends. There is

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of any deafmute children of school age in their neighbrhood, to arouse them to a sense of their duty to these poor children, and have them sent to the Institution before it is too late for their own good.

A few of the pupils have been detained at home this session by domestic and other causes, who are expected to return next term.

Of those who have left school several are engaged in earning their own livelihood. One, who acquired some knowledge of printing while in the Institution, is at present working as a compositor in the office of one of the daily papers, and giving, I understand, satisfaction to his employers. A number of other

OLD PUPILS OF THE INSTITUTION

are also resident in Halifax, earning their own living, and doing well, one, a carpenter and joiner, another a tailor, another a shoemaker, another a dressmaker, another a blockmaker, etc. Some of them are married and have families which they support in comfort and respectability by their own industry. None of the offspring of these marriages are deaf and dumb, and we know of only one instance in the Provinces where it is otherwise.

THE PROVINCES REPRESENTED.

in the school attendance of last year are as followed	ws :—
Nova Scotia,	43
New Brunswick	21
P. E. Island Newfoundland	4
British Columbia	1
Total	76

HEALTH,

It is matter for thankfulness that the past year has been marked by the usual good health of the pupils and household generally. With the exception of the day-pupil, already mentioned, who died at his home in Halifax, after a short illness of brain-fever, there has been no serious illness amongst us. Few households as large can show so favorable a record as this during the last twenty-six years, a fact largely due under Providence, to the healthy situation, good sanitary arrangements, wholesome food a healthier or h the Institution

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One little boy from Newfoundland has undergone an operation on both eyes for cataract, and is still under Dr. Dodge's treatment. We hope his sight may be restored, or so far improved, as to enable him to get on with his education, which has been greatly retarded by this sad double privation of being blind as well as deaf mute. Our thanks are due to Dr. Dodge for his gratuitous services in this and other cases of affections of the eye among the pupils. Also to Dr. Campbell for his regular attention to the general health of the establishment during the year.

THE EDUCATIONAL WORK

has been carried on steadily and successfully during the year. In this department of instruction much time and labour are necessarily spent in fundamental and elementary work, which does not show, does not produce visible, tangible, or measurable results. Our peculiar work really ends where that of the common school begins. The specific business of the teacher of the deaf mute is to give his pupils that practical mastery of colloquial language, and that intellectual and moral training which hearing children possess before they go to school, to bring them up, in fact, to the point at which other children start in their educational course. This mastery of language, and this intellectual development, is the grand aim and crowning test of his work. To this end everything should be subordinated, even the general knowledge imparted in Geography, History, Scripture &c., being regarded chiefly as a means to it. A deaf mute may be well educated who never heard of the Norman Conquest, or the Sea of Ochotsk, but who is able to write a simple and intelligible letter, to converse readily by means of writing, to understand the way of salvation through the Gospel, and who knows enough of Arithmetic for the wants of his daily life. It is this kind of practical training we seek to give, not to please by showy exhibitions of shallow attainments, while the deep living necessities of the pupil, so difficult to meet, are overlooked.

In Articulation and Lip-reading several of the pupils have made

considerable progress, but much more might be accomplished, could we have a teacher devoting his entire time to this branch.

In Drawing considerable improvement has also been made, several of the girls especially, under Miss Bateman's care, having made marked progress.

A vacancy in the teaching staff has been filled by the appointment of Mr. W. J. Stewart, a teacher of seven years' experience from the Ulster Institution, Belfast, Ireland, who, with our other teachers, Mr. Dow and Miss Bateman, has co-operated diligently and faithfully in the work of the school-room.

INDUSTRIAL TRAINING.

A very large amount of useful work has been done about the place by the pupils during the year. Besides the usual housework and needlework for the girls, and the gardening, wood-sawing and chopping, tending the furnace &c., for the boys, all the shoe repairs needed for the establishment, and the printing of the Annual Report for 1882, have been done on the premises. The halls and several of the rooms have been painted,—fences, presses, school desks &c. have been made or repaired, and a great variety of carpenter work too numerous to mention done, by and under the oversight of Mr. Angus McEachern, one of the pupils, whose services have been referred to in a former report.

SUNDAY SERVICE FOR EXTERN MUTES.

This service, which lies outside the regular work of the Institution, was commenced by me many years ago for the benefit of the deaf mutes resident in the city, and has been conducted regularly every Sunday evening during the past year, and is attended by almost every mute in town. The need of such a service in keeping up the religious instruction and oversight of our pupils after they leave the fostering care of their Alma Mater, will be apparent when it is remembered that they can share but little, if at all, in the ordinary "means of grace," public or private, and unless special provision is thus made, they are in danger of losing much of what they learned while in the Institution, and thus of falling back in knowledge and character. These weekly meetings with them afford opportunities of friendly intercourse, instruction and counsel, which, under God's

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OUR TOUR.

As the rural towns and districts of the Province had not been visited in the interests of the Institution since my last journey in 1877, it seemed to be expedient to resume the practice in order to revive and extend general interest in the cause. I accordingly undertook a three weeks' tour, with several of the pupils, to the Eastward last Fall, holding meetings in the principal places, and taking up contributions in aid of the funds. I am happy to report that the deputation was everywhere kindly received, the meetings generally well attended, sometimes crowded, and much interest manifested in the object. Our best thanks are due to the ministers and others who helped to make our mission a success, to the kind friends whose liberality and hospitality often relieved us of all expense,-to the Railway Department for travel on the lines at half rates, and to the Halifax and Provincial press for gratuitous advertising and appreciative notices of our meetings. The following is the list of places visited, with the amount raised at each :-

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Westville	3.76
Stellarton	0.00
Amnerst 5	7.75
Pugwash	9.97
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Gross Proceeds	54
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Net Proceeds\$363	
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A list of the contributors at each place will be found in the Appendix.

BEGGING DEAF MUTES-CAUTION TO THE PUBLIC.

In October last I addressed the following Circular Letter on this subject to the newspapers throughout Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island :-

To the Editor of the

Sir,-Having been informed that certain deaf mutes have been travelling through the Provinces professedly collecting subscriptions for the Halifax Deaf and Dumb Institution, I ask permission through your columns to state, for the information of friends and the public, that these parties have no connection with the Halifax Institution, and are in no way authorized to act in its behalf. The Halifax Institution employs no deaf mute agents, and any deaf mutes representing themselves as such are simply impostors, who should be handed over to the nearest constable.

I would earnestly beg the benevolent public to give no encouragement whatever to wandering deaf mutes going around the country collecting, peddling, begging, or under any similar pretext. They are simply trading on their misfortune, abusing the sympathy of the benevolent, and diverting liberality from a legitimate public charity to mere individual gain. This practice, growing up of late years, has become a serious evil, demoralizing the mutes themselves, leading them to prefer a wandering life to steady industry at their trades, and exposing them to temptations to dishonesty and dissipation which they are little able to resist. Money given to such is really a premium upon idleness, vagrancy, or imposture. In the interest of the deaf mutes themselves, as well as of the cause of Deaf Mute Education, which is thus degraded, all true friends of the deaf and dumb should unite in sternly discountenancing the whole system.

I am yours, respectfully,

J. SCOTT HUTTON, Principal, Halifax Deaf and Dumb Institution.

Since the above was written I have learned that one of these impostors had collected about \$370 for the Halifax Institution in P. E. Island and Nova Scotia in amounts ranging from \$1.78 in Pictou to \$25 in Charlottetown, Londonderry, \$20, Antigonish, \$16. 50, Amherst, \$14.97 &c., almost every place on the line of the I. C. Railway having been victimized. Not a cent of the \$370 thus collected ever for be hoped this fraud.

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LEGISLATIVE PROVISION FOR THE DEAF MUTE.

Before closing this Report, I beg to suggest the desirableness of having the Institution placed on a basis of support which will lift it above the fluctuation of private voluntary aid, and give to deaf mute instruction its proper place in the educational system of the country. It seems strange that while those who enjoy the blessings of hearing and speech have their education secured by legislative provision, those who, in Providence, are deprived of these precious privileges, should be handed over to the care of charity. Why should the deaf child go begging for the bread of life, while his more favored brother feasts at the public charge? Why should those who are able to help themselves be gratuitously tended, while the comparatively helpless are left to the tender mercies of chance? Is the deaf mute's misfortune to be treated as if it were his fault? Why should the stigma of unequal laws be added to the sad severity of a mysterious affliction? Whatever arguments can be advanced for the free education of the children of our Province apply with far greater force to such classes as the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind. The Blind have fortunately had their claims recognized by the law passed a year or two ago, and which, I understand, has already worked well. Let our Legislature complete the good work, and atone for past neglect, by placing on the statute book a similar act for the benefit of the Deaf and Dumb.

In the United States and in Ontario the institutions for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind have long been supported by the State, and the fruits of this policy are there seen in the more general diffusion and the higher standard of education among these classes than is to be found in other countries.

I believe the general sentiment of the Province would fully sustain the Legislature in doing for the Deaf what it has already done for the Blind. During my recent tour, as well as in former years, wherever the subject was mentioned, I found but one opinion in favor of extending to the Deaf the same privileges as have so long been enjoyed by the hearing, and more recently conceded to their fellow-sufferers, the Blind.

I believe the time has come for movement in this direction, and trust ere long to see the work of Deaf Mute education in this Province resting on its proper basis of legal right and privilege, instead of mere eleemosynary support.

Respectfully submitted.

J. SCOTT HUTTON, Principal.

January 5th, 1884.

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Angus McEachen. Edward McDonald. William W. Hulan. Murdoch McLellan A. McFatridge. James Ganey Fred. W. E. Treen	11 11 13 9 11 13	41 years, 4 '.' 5 years, 3 '' 51 ''	Queensville, Inverness, C.B. Chatham, N. B. Bay St. George, Nf.d. Boston, Mass. Halifax City. Carleton, St. John, N. B.
8 9 10	John Trenholm	18 11 19	4 "	Port Elgin, N. B. Pioneer, Carleton Co., N.B. Port Elgin, N. B.
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15	Charles Thumith. Howard Titus. R. Russell English.	12 9 15	33 " 14 " 63 "	Bristol, N. B. St. John, N. B. Westport, Digby, N. S.
18	Ephraim McNeill. Thomas Moore James W. Malone.	12 18 9	2½ " 4½ " 2½ "	Woodstock, N. B. Alberton, P. E. I. St. John Co, N. B.
20 21 22	Joseph Malone	7 15 19	31 months. 63 years.	Windsor, N. S. do. Maccan, N. S.
24 25	George McKenzie George Barnard George H. Tupper	11 12 8	11 " 6 months.	Clements, Annapolis, N. S. St. John, N. B. Ecum Secum, N. S.
7	John M. Tupper Norman McLeod Eddie McVane	5 12 10	3 "	Middle Stewiacke, N. S. do. Dundas, P. E. I.
0	J. Manton Nickerson George Smith. Martin Abbott.	12 7	13 years, 14 " 2 months.	Bothwell, P. E. I. Cape Island, N. S. do do.
$\frac{2}{3}$	Melbourne D'Orsay Seymour Peverill. William McLeod	27 9 14	$6\frac{1}{2}$ years. 6 weeks. 3 months.	St. John's, Nfld. Memramcook, N. B. Halifax City, (deceased).
6 1	William McEgan	24 12 20	2 weeks. 2½ years. 3½ "	Big Brook, Inverness, C.B. Harborville, N. S. Pioneer, Chatham Co. N.B.
9 1	Geo. D. Morgan	18 14 18	6 months, 6½ years,	Bear River, Digby, N. S. Cornwallis, N. S. Carleton, St. John. N. B.
F	Corge Robertson Cilliam McNutt Trank B. Muttart	18 19 19	2½ " 2½ " 6 "	Wentworth, Cumb'ld, N.S.
3 L	David Kinsman	11	41 46	Souris, P. E. I. Halifax City.

FEMALES.

No.	NAME.	Age.	TIME AT SCHOOL.	WHERE FROM.
1	Jane McLeod	20	4½ years.	British Columbia.
2	Elizabeth Hulan	9	14 months.	Bay St. George, Nfld.
3	Lydia A. Thompson	16	6 "	The Gore, Hants, N. S.
4	Georgie E. Morrison	9	1½ year.	Folly Village, N. S.
5	Sarah Crowe	14	2 years.	Salem, Cumberland, N. S.
6	Cassie Campbell	11	2 years.	Springville, Pictou, N. S.
7	Lillian Trenholm.	9	21 "	Port Elgin, N. B.
8	Annie Vaughan	12	11 "	Portland, St. John, N. B.
9	Annie Crozier	13	31 "	Pataravilla Oucona N D
10	Lizzie McLellan	9	41 "	Petersville, Queens, N. B. Economy, N. S.
11	Maggie Tarry	11	11 "	Now Appen N G
12	Maggie J Taylor	16	3 "	New Annan, N. S. Shemogue, N. B.
13	Lucy C. Winter.	14	A "	Burin, Newfoundland.
14	Elizabeth Malone	12	91 "	
15	Eliza McG. Bower	15	2½ " 7½ "	Windsor, N. S.
16	Mary E. Bower	13	51 "	Shelburne, N. S.
17	Helen M. Lyons	10	4	
	Jane B. Payzant	11		Ohio, Shelburne, N. S.
19	Matilda Burchell	13		Liverpool, N.S.
20	Eudevilla Hill	7	4 months.	Dartmouth, N. S.
21	Lillie McVane	18		Windsor, N. S. Bothwell, P. E. I.
22	Mary McNeill	12	of years,	Connect D. E. I.
23	Phemie Trenholm	13	3 "	Crapaud, P. E. I.
	Jessie Nixon.	10		Port Elgin, N. B.
	Agnes Bond	10	31 "	Margaretville, N. S.
	Emma Walthers	17		Barton, Digby, N. S.
7	Cassie McIntosh	12		Lunenburg, N. S.
8	Bessie B. Bond	14	12	New Annan, N. S.
9	Maggie C. Russell	14	44	Barton, Digby, N. S.
0	Margaret Habr		05	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
81	Margaret Hahn	23	*2	Lunenburg, N. S.
	Drusilla, Hahn Jessie E. Munn	12	24	
33	Hanriotta Vanahan	18	10 months.	Wood Island, P. E. I.
00	Henrietta Vaughan	21	4½ years.	St. John, N. B.

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PHYSICIAN'S REPORT.

HALIFAX, JAN'Y. 1st, 1884.

To the Directors of the Deaf and Dumb Institution:

Gentlemen,—I submit the following brief Report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1883:—

The health of the pupils has been excellent, so much so that I cannot recall a single instance of severe sickness.

This exemption is due in a large measure to the care of the Superintendent and the Matron, who invariably report any case of sickness—no matter how trifling—at an early date, and the excellent sanitary arrangements of the Institution.

I am, Sirs, your obedient servant,

DONALD A. CAMPBELL.

NOTICES OF THE PRESS.

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL CLOSING.

The closing exercises of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, which was founded in 1×57 in this city, took place in the commodious school-room of the building, Gottingen street, on Saturday afternoon, in the presence of quite an audience of spectators. About the room were numbers of maps and drawings, the work of the scholars, and on the blackboards were various others in white and colored crayon, all of which elicited commendation. Some of the free hand drawings were admirably executed, a map of the Maritime Province, drawn from memory on a blackboard with colored crayons was very creditable, and one of the maps—the world, on Mercator's projection-by Miss Jessie Munn, of Wood Harbor, P. E. I., who has only been five months in the institution, was particularly remarked for its correctness,

careful execution and general appearance.

Hon. Dr. Parker, chairman of the directors, occupied the chair and opened the proceedings with a few introductory remarks, commenting on the general character of the institution, the work it accomplished, its growth from inception, etc. If a more pretentious institution this would be called its encœnia, but no degrees are granted, no diplomas awarded and it did not call itself a college, although it possessed many of the qualifications entitling it to rank as such. He was pleased to note the return of the former Principal after several years' in the old country, and paid a merited compliment to his efficiency and ability, with Mrs. Hutton, too, who took such a deep interest in the work. During the past year other additions to the teaching staff had also been made. The Board were pleased to observe the satisfaction of their combined and individual efforts.-Miss Bateman, from New Brunswick, Mr. Dow, from Glasgow, and Mr. Stewart, from the Belfast institution. The moral and religious training in the institution were also commented upon. The pupils received the benefits of a splendid home as well as educational training.

Mr. J. Scott Hutton, the Superintendent, read a summarized report for

the year, of which the following is a resume:

Attendance for Session .- Boys, 36; girls, 32. Total, 68.

Localities. - From Nova Scotia, 36; New Brunswick, 19; P. E. Island 7

Newfoundland, 4; Winnipeg, 1; Boston, 1.

Counties Represented .- Inverness, 1; Antigonish, 1; Halifax, 6; Hants, 3; Cumberland, 3; Kings, 2; Digby, 4; Shelburne, 4; Colchester, 5; Pictou, 1; Queens, 1; Lunenburg, 3; Annapolis, 2.

Health- Excellent, not a case of serious illness during the year.

Industrial Training.-In housework, gardening and carpentery a large amount of work has been done by the pupils. In the printing office the report of the Institution, circulars, lessons for the school and other work has been done. In the shoe shop all the repairs needed for the pupils has been executed.

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Educational Department.—The school is divided into four classes, under as many teachers, including the Principal. What is known as the "Combined Method" is followed, including both the sign system and oral teaching. A practical knowledge of verbal language by what is known as the "Natural" or "Intuitive Method" is the chief object, all else being subordinated to this prime necessity of the deaf mute Special attention to religious instruction. Arithmetic, geography, drawing, English history and general information, are also taught as far as is consistent with the main object of training in the use of common language.

The attendance present was 60. In former years the Eastern part of the Province, particularly Pictou, had sent the majority of pupils, but now the largest number come from the Western counties, from which it might be inferred that the institution had to a large extent completed its work in the former sections. He explained the methods of instruction and the difficulties experienced. The main object was to get the pupils acquainted with verbal language, and in order to effect this purpose two methods were employed-manual and oral instruction-the former getting them to understand and converse by writing and the finger alphabet, and the latter to speak and understand the speaking of others by lip-reading. It was a satisfaction to know that the methods here employed were the same as are adopted in the best and largest institutions elsewhere, both in Europe and America. He proceeded to practically exhibit the methods and show the proficiency attained by the following

PROGRAMME:

1. Junior Class-(Standing, 6 months to 1½ years)-1, names of objects; 2, adjectives and nouns; 3, exercises on the first form of the simple sentence, the imperative; 4, action writing.

II. Articulation Class (16 pupils)-1, elementary sounds, vowels and consonants, powers of the letters; 2. syllables; 3, words, days of the week, number, etc.; 4, names of the letters, spelling orally; 5, sentences; 6, reading; 7, oral recitation, Lord's prayer, "Happy Land; '8, lip-reading; 9, words suggested by audience to be pronounced by pupils.

III. Second Class-(Standing, about 3 years) - Action writing, illustrating the " natural method " of teaching language.

IV. Third Class-(Standing, 3 to 4 years)-Questions on Scripture history.

V. Fourth or Senior Class-1, Geography; 2, English history; 3, Miscellaneous questions or arithmetic.

VI. Signing, Drawing. - Specimens of map drawing on paper; also, impromptu crayon sketches on blackboard.

In the first class was shown the first instruction employed, generally the imperative style-getting them to do a thing and then describe the action. Their descriptions were at first always crude. For instance, they would show difficulty in placing the article, often repeating it as in writing descriptions, to put "a white a hat." Some common phrases they could with difficulty get hold of. Mr. Hutton had visited many institutions in the United Kingdom, and three out of every four of the pupils would fail to properly express the action of shaking hands. They would say "You shook with hand," or express it in other old terms. This arose from the lack of practical training, such as action writing gives.

Oral teaching, shown in the second class, he referred to as nothing new. It was sometimes called the German system, as in that country it originated. The idea in it was that the deaf mote, having all the organs of speech as perfect as others, only needed to be taught to frame words by motions of those organs, although they could not hear any of the sounds emitted. It had been going on side by side with the sign system for 125 years, but recently revived and extended. But no new means of teaching it had been discovered or no new principles, and in examining the institutions recently where it was the greatest specialty, he learned nothing that be dain't know twenty-five years ago. He was satisfied, however, that to a large extent the deaf can be taught to speak and understand by lip-reading. In the institution he regarded it as an important and useful branch of instruction. but subordinate to the general system, occupying about half an hour daily. The first thing to be done was to make the pupil sensible of the difference between breathing and using his voice. This was done by getting him to feel your throat and observe your mouth while speaking, and then getting to use his own voice similarly. A great deal of vocal drill was necessary before the pupil could grasp this idea. Yet a number of the pupils had become so proficient as to be able to fairly converse by this means. The class repeated the Lord's prayer by clauses, individually, and some of them read from books. Some of the voices sound oddly, as can be imagined, owing to the speaker not being able to hear him or herself, but others are clear and distinct. They also said the alphabet, the learning of which was equivalent to twenty-six words, and is done subsequent to primary instruction, as the elementary teaching has to be phoneticaly.

The class in action writing was very interesting, showing the diversity of terms the pupils would have for describing the same action. This had been found the best test for their knowledge of the meaning of words, and sometimes junior pupils would describe things oddly enough. On one occasion a pupil was asked what a gentleman was doing who was pating his rails and

replied, "sharpening his fingers."

The distribution of prizes was made by Dr. Allison, Superintendent of Education. They were mostly books adapted to the knowledge of the recipients. The following is the

PRIZE LIST:

Junior Class. (Mr. Stewart's).—Georgie Morrison, Londonderry, N. S.; Norman McLeod, Dundas, P. E. I.; L'Ilian Trenholm, Elgin, N. B.; Archibald McFatridge, Halifax. N. S.; George S. McKenzie, St. John, N. B.

Second Class. (Mr. Dow's).—Jane B. Payzant, Liverpool. N. S.; Sarah Crowe, Spring Hill, Cumberland, N. S.; James Avard, Elgin, N. B.; Agnes Bond, Digby, N. S.; Cassie Campbell, Picton.

Third Class. (Miss Bateman's)—Thomas Moore, St. John, N. B.; Robert McEgan, Carleton, N. B.; Wm. McEgan, Carleton, N. B.; Annie

Crozier, St John, N. B.; Emma Walter, Lunenburg, N. S.

Senior Class. (Mr. Hutton's).—Lillie McVane, Bothwell, P. E. I.; Eliza Bowers, Shelburne, N. S.; Bessie B. Bond, Digby, N. S.; Jessie E. Munn, Wood Island, P. E. I.; Russell English, Woodstock, N. B.; Wm. Higgins, Cumberland, N. S.

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At the conclusion of exercises and presentation of prizes, Rev. Prof. Forrest, Secretary of the Directorate Board, addressed the andience. He spoke of the immense amount of work necessary to produce the results witnessed in articulation. He had recently visited the largest school of the kind in America, in New York, and spent an afternoon with the senior class. It consisted of seven pupils with one teacher, whose time was almost wholly devoted to their instruction in this respect, but not one in that whole class presented a better appear once than Jessie Munn this afternoon. Where earnestness and painstaking with any natural aptitude on the part of the pupil were combined, it was wonderful to what extent the art of articulation could be successfuly taught, and it was a great satisfaction to know that our Halifax institution could show quite as good results as older, better equipped and more largely patronized Institutions elsewhere. The manner in which Miss Munn and other pupils had improved their advantages was a credit to themselves and a pleasure to all connected with them. In his official connection with the institution, Prof. Forrest invited the spectators to come and see them in their working days. He was sure the work only needed to be seen to be strongly appreciated and admired, and where possible assisted.

Rev. Alex. McArthur said he had never witnessed in examinations of this kind a more perfect one. Mr. Hutton and his assistants were, he considered, to be congratulated on their God given ability and adaptation to their work, which enabled them to convey instruction in such an efficient manner. All good citizens must be strongly pleased that such a capable and

Mr. Hutton brought before the andience a touching spectacle in a a little boy who, besides being deaf and dumb, was rapidly losing his sight. He could now hardly distinguish people or objects, and his only way of communication was by feeling—by touching his fingers in the sign alphabet style. Dr. and the poor little fellow spelled out that he was thankful to him and Mr. Hutton.

The chairman, in closing, referred to the remarkable health and fine sanitary condition the institution enjoyed. He did not know of any other establishment which could boast of such immunity from sicknes. In this connection he referred to the death of Dr. Moren during the year closed, taken by Dr. Campbell. After speaking of some improvements to the buildangs and grounds which had been effected since last year, he called Rev. Allan Simpson to close the proceedings with the benediction, and the visit-leaving. Something noticeable about the building is its provision against fire. Separate ladders from the ground are secured to a principal window easy of beside which lengths of hose are visible coiled on their supply pipes at var-Chronicle, July 10th, 1883.

CHRISTMAS AT THE DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTION.

It was indeed a red-letter day. Though it began early and continued late, it was not long enough for the children who were truly happy through every hour and moment of it. Your correspondent looked in when the pupils, sixty in number, were seated at the table in a large and well appointed dining room. It was no time to converse with them, for they were fully occupied, but your correspondent learned that they were there from Newfoundland, from Cape Breton, from most of the counties in Nova Scotia proper, from New Brunswick, from P. E. Island, one from British Columbia, and one from Boston, Mass.

A glance around was all that was necessary to assure one that those present—and all connected with the institution from the principal down, were present—were in the enjoyment of health and happiness. A brighter, happier, better behaved lot of pupils it would not be easy to find in any educational institution in the land. It says much for its sanitary condition, as well as for the excellence of its internal economy that there was not, on the happy occasion, a single absentee through illness.

The viands, particularly the roast turkey, that was "done" to a nicety, and the plum pudding that stood the severes of all tests, the eating, testified to the excellence of the work that is being done in the culinary part of the establishment. It was pleasant to see the teachers, three in number, along with the matron, waiting on the pupils and seeing that their wants were supplied, while the Principal and Mrs. Hutton were as usual superintending the whole. It did one good to look on and see those children of silence, who are shut out from enjoyments that are open to us, so thoroughly contented, so genuinely happy.

Your correspondent was shown through the kitchen, furnace room, &c., and was gratified to find that recent improvements have been made which add greatly to the convenience and comfort of all the inmates and the safety of the whole property. No educational institution in our city is under better management than the deaf and dumb school. Its directors are among our very best citizens, and its teaching staff would do credit to any school in America. In the past it has conferred incalculable benefits upon those who have availed themselves of its advantages; and now its equipment is in every way such as to commend it to the confidence and support of the country as a school that is admirably fitted for the training of deaf mutes.

All who can, would do well to visit the Institution and see for themselves, how complete its arrangements are, how faithfully its work is being done, and what progress the pupils are making in their physical, mental, moral and spiritual education. The visitor sees in a moment that an air of contentment, peace, happiness and prosperity reigns throughout the institution.

In leaving, your correspondent was more deeply impressed than ever with the feeling that the Halifax deaf and dumb school is highly favoured in having, as its principal, a man of the character, ability, tact, zeal and energy of Mr. Hutton. May he and his estimable wife be more and more prospered in their excellent work.—Com.—Morning Chronicle, Dec. 27, 1883.

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THE INSTITUTION IN WHICH THEY ARE TAUGHT AND HOUSED.

During a brief call at the D. & D. Institution on Gottingen street, one day last week, Superintendent Hutton wished the writer to take a birds' eye view of the interior. It was between noon and one o'clock, and the institution was in its ordinary everyday garb. Without any preparation, Mr. H. opened the large school-room door, and there was discovered sixty or more as bright looking children as can be seen in any of our public schools, the advantage in point of neatness being with the children of silence, and the general appearance much in favour of the pure atmosphere and convenience of arrangement in the D. & D. over the most of our city schools. thing was remarkably neat. The children looked happy and animated. Of course there was no noise-nothing but a slightly-perceptible hum-such as a covey of birds might make in the early morning or when settling down for the night. There was an appearance of study all around, and all looked even pleased to be so engaged. A turn of the hand is sufficient to make each one understand what is wanted; and although Mr. Hutton did not seem to do more than lift a finger, one little girl quickly produced from her desk a copy book, another a slate, and all were evidently eager to show their accomplishments; but none moved until the mystical turn of the finger was given. Touching the differing keys of a piano was not a circumstance to the ease with which this was done and responded to. One of the children had drawn a Santa Claus on the blackboard, from recollection of the one in Mitchell's, or some other store; and the juveniles silently looked upon it as a Patron Saint, refreshing themselves occasionally, like little Johnny Higden, in Our Mutual Friend, with an imaginative glance at all that was involved in the representation before their eyes.

A hurried visit through the other apartments followed. The diningroom in the basement is spacious. The sleeping-rooms were models of ventilation. Each of the children has a bed of its own, and there is plenty
room and to spare for all. There is a little room, in a quiet corner, set apart
for any that may be sick; but the sanitary provisions of the institution are
so perfect that there appears to be little need for this. There has not been
an average of one death in every five years among the many hundreds that
have attended the institution. The fact speaks volumes, not only for the
hygienic care bestowed, but for the salubrity of all the surroundings, inside
and out; and it is well understood that it depends entirely upon the judiciousness of the management whether such conditions are maintained in
establishments where so many old or young are brought together, from all
quarters, to live as one family. As Horace observes: "unless your cask is
perfectly clean, whatever you put into it turns sour."

There are a score of points of excellence that may be adverted to, except that these are merely passing observations. It was noted that firmly attached to windows in the rear at a convenient angle, were substantial ladders, so that instant escape would be attainable in case of fire.

The Deaf and Dumb School is perhaps the most philanthropic institution in our midst, except that for the Blind, which is a twin benefaction. To heal the sick, and succor the poor, is the great work of charity; but to supply the place of speech and hearing to those bereft of these faculties, is a

God-like work, inasmuch as otherwise the bereaved ones must necessarily grow up in the darkness of heathenism, in a Christian land, and be hopelessly spiritually blind. A deaf-and-dumb institution is a training-class for future salvation.

In Woodsworth's vivid poetical sketches, there is one of The Deaf Peas-

ant, who

"grew up From year to year in loneliness of soul,"

and beautifully imaging the steep mountain and its valley, soundless to him; the birds of dawn, the stormy winds—

—"working the broad bosom of the lake Into a thousand thousand sparkling waves,"

and many other striking and startling features of the forces of nature, were all to him

-"silent as a picture; ever more Were all things silent whereso'er he moved."

So with these scores of children, now in course of instruction, which will to some extent supply an idea through learning to read of the beauties and responsibilities of creation. There is no worthier benevolence than the Deaf and Dumb Institution of Halifax; and the more assistance it receives, the greater the extent of its work, for there are many to whom no light has yet reached, within the borders of this Province alone.—Acadian Recorder, Decr. 31st, 1883.

HALIFAX INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF AND DUMB.

WHAT OUR PROVINCE OWES TO IT.

(From the Weekly Patriot, Charlottetown, P. E. I. Aug. 2, 1883.)

The Twenty-fifth Annual Report of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, for the year 1882, is before us. This Institution has done excellent work in behalf of this most afflicted class in the Maritime Provinces. The directors are fortunate in being able to report that they have again secured the services of Mr. J. Scott Hutton as Principal. Mr. Hutton had charge of the Institution for 21 years from its commencement, and his return has caused general rejoicing among the deafmutes, as well as given a fresh impetus to the whole work. His success as a teacher and his sound judgment are well known throughout the Provinces.

The whole attendance for the past year has been 82-45 males and 37 females. The various Provinces have been represented in the school during the year as follows: Nova Scotia, 36; New Brunswick, 32; P. E. Island, 6;

Newfoundland, 5; Manitoba, 1.

For 25 years the Institution has thrown its doors open to the deaf-mutes of the Provinces without distinction of class, condition, or creed. During that long period it has been practically a free boarding school for those of this afflicted class who have attended it, besides affording them the untold benefits of the most ingenious and practical education.

There are about 100 deaf and dumb in our Island, yet we send only some six or seven pupils to the Institution. And by the subjoined table it

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At any rate, we present the following figures to our readers, hoping the y may lead our politicians and our Christian philanthropists to take such action as may at least prevent our Island deaf-mutes in the future from being pensioners on the bounty of the humane and charitably disposed of the sister Province.

While we offer the foregoing remarks, we must not omit to mention that the managers of the institution announce that they are prepared to receive all suitable cases whether able to pay or not trusting to public liberality as heretofore to supply the means of support. The best age is from eight to fourteen years.

MEMORANDUM OF P. E. ISLAND PUPILS AND AMOUNT RECEIVED FOR THEIR SUPPORT SINCE THE ORIGIN OF THE INSTITUTION.

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HALIFAX, January 1st, 1884.

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Mrs. McKenzie, of New Glasgow.	400.00
Hon. M. B. Almon, Halifax	400.00
Mrs. Angus Chisholm N. G.	200.00
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S. N. Binney, Esq, Halifax	100.00
Mr. Goreham, Halifax	100.00
Mrs. Dr. Brown, Halifax	40.00
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Miss Cunningham	194.67
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John King	600.00
W. P. West	1000.00
D. W. Ross	500.00
Joseph Hart, Baddeck, C. B	100.00
Mrs. Dunn, Halifax	40.00
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John Naylor, Esq., reversionary Legacy not yet ascertained.

N. B.—His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales presented, on the occasion of his visit to Nova Scotia, in 1860—the sum of \$500 to the Institution.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Incorporated Directors of the Institution for the Deaf Dumb, at Halifax, Nova Scotia, the sum of..... to be paid out of such part of my personal estate as I can lawfully charge with the same, immediately after my decease, and to be applied by the said Corporation to the benefit of the Institution under their management; and the receipt of the Secretary and Treasurer of the said Corporation shall be a sufficient discharge of the same.

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DAILY PAPERS-Morning Chronicle, Morning Herald, Evening Mail, Recorder. WEEKLIES-Yarmouth Herald, Eastern Chronicle, Plaindealer, Bridgetown Monitor, The Patriot, Charlottetown, P.E.I.

Religious Papers-Presbyterian Witness, Christian Messenger, The Christian Visitor, Religious Intelligencer (St. John, N B.,) The Watchman (Temperance Organ), Buds and Blessoms, Church Guardian.

DEAF MUTE PAPERS-The Kentucky Deaf Mute, Nebraska Mute Journal, Colorado Index, Michigan Deaf Mate Mirror, Minnesota Mute's Companion, Goodson Gazette (Virginia), Texas Mute Ranger, Wisconsin Deaf-mute Times, The Kansas Star, The Tablet, The Deaf-mute Optic, Visa-Vis The Deaf Mute Hawk-Eye, The Frontiersman, The Little Messenger (Ireland) Deaf and Dumb Magazine, (Glasgow.)

ILLUSTRATED PERIODICALS—Illustrated London News (from George H. Starr, Esq., and Mrs. Naylor.) Also from the British American Tract Society, the following: British Workman, Cottager and Artizan, Child's Paper, Childen Child's Paper, Childen Companies Light Magnice Magnice Magnice Light dren's Paper, Chi d's Companion, Infant's Magazine, Morning Light, Band of Hope Review, Good Cheer, Good Words, The Youth's Temper-

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS &c. :-

Mr D. M. Storey-1 box Candies. Mr. John McFatridge-1 box Raisins. Mr. H. Hesslein-1 Goose and 1 Turkey. Mrs Esson-1 Turkey and Cake.

Mr. Creelman-1 pair Ducks. A Friend-1 barrel App'es and 1 box Raisins.

Mr G. R. Anderson-Oranges. Mr. G. H. Starr-Games.

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Mr. R. Logan and Graham Logan—1 barrel Apples, Mr. W. B. Spencer—

Mr. Joseph McVane, Bothwell, P. E. I.—1 barrel Oatmeal. Mr. McLetlan, Economy—1 Turkey and 1 Goose.

Mrs. Malone, Windsor-Quarter Beef and 2 barrels Vegetables. Mr. Musgrave -Baking cakes and finding dough for the same.

Messrs. Sarre—An afternoon's skaring at the Rink.
Mr. McQuinn—Parcel cloths for mending.

A. & W. MacKinlay—Map of Nova Scotia.
B. A. Tract Society -Five dollars worth of illustrated books.

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