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President:

THOMAS DAVISON.

First Vice-President:

LEWIS SAMUEL.

Second Vice-President:

MARK HALL.

Treasurer:

W. B. HARTILL.

Directors:

JAMES COURTNEY.  
JOHN DOUGLAS.  
JOHN FENSOM.  
DONALD GIBSON.  
GEORGE W. HODGETTS.  
A. W. MURDOCH.  
R. H. RAMSAY.  
DONALD C. RIDOUT.  
JOHN RITCHIE, SR.  
MATTHEW SWEETNAM.  
JOHN TAYLOR.  
BENJAMIN WALTON.

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## Committees for the Year 1876-7.

Finance Committee:

BENJAMIN WALTON, *Chairman*.  
A. W. MURDOCH.  
D. C. RIDOUT.  
JOHN RITCHIE, SR.  
M. SWEETNAM.

Library Committee:

JAMES COURTNEY, *Chairman*.  
MARK HALL.  
W. B. HARTILL.  
G. W. HODGETTS.  
LEWIS SAMUEL.

Lecture Committee:

DONALD GIBSON, *Chairman*.  
JOHN DOUGLAS.  
JOHN FENSOM.  
R. H. RAMSAY.  
JOHN TAYLOR.

Secretary-Librarian:

JOHN DAVY.

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# Toronto Mechanics' Institute.

MAY 22, 1876.

The Annual Meeting of the Members was held this evening.

THOMAS DAVISON, ESQ.

PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

A letter was read from Mr. James Cooper, declining his nomination.

The President and the First Vice-President, by consent of the meeting, withdrew the motions, of which they had given notice.

Moved by Mr. Pell, seconded by Mr. Edwards, and resolved,

That whereas there are, at the present time, only some forty mechanics who are members of the Institute, a fact which is greatly to be deplored. And whereas this result has been brought about by a variety of causes not necessary here to mention; and whereas it is desirable that an effort should be made to induce the young Mechanics of the city to become members, and to take an interest in its usefulness and prosperity.

Be it therefore resolved, that it be an instruction to the incoming Committee, to take steps to secure a Prize List, for an Exhibition of Art and Manufactures, to be held about the beginning of February next, of the works of Journeymen and Apprentices, who are, or shall become members of the Institute, such time prior to the holding thereof, as the Committee may determine.

Moved by Mr. Pell, seconded by Mr. Edwards, and resolved,

That the Ladies be invited to unite with the Committee in forming a

Bazaar of Fancy Articles in connection with the said Exhibition, and that an Auxiliary Committee be appointed to assist in carrying out the resolution.

Moved by Mr. Ramsay, seconded by Mr. Samuel, and resolved,

That the consideration of the report be now proceeded with.

The report having been read by the Secretary, it was

Moved by Mr. McCrosson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton, and resolved,

That the report be received.

Moved by Mr. Bailey, seconded by Mr. Samuel, and resolved,

That the report be adopted.

Moved by Mr. Maclear, seconded by Mr. Hartill,

That the new Constitution and By-Laws, of which notice was given at the last regular meeting, be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Pell, seconded by Mr. Allan, and resolved,

That the new Constitution and By-Laws be considered clause by clause.

Section one, of Article one, having been read, it was

Moved by Mr. Pell, seconded by Mr. Badgerow, and resolved,

That this Section be amended by striking out all the words between "called," and "The Toronto," and adding to the end of the Section the following words "including the present Life and Honorary Members."

Section Two having been read, was adopted without amendment.

Section Three having been read, it was

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Walton, and resolved,

That this Section be amended by striking out the words "and the usual Entrance Fee."

Section Four having been read, it was

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Ridout, and resolved,

That all the words in this Section making a distinction between male and female members, be struck out.

Moved by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Dr. Canniff,

That the words "One Dollar Entrance Fee," be struck out, and the words "Five" be altered to "Four."

Moved in amendment by Mr. Pell, seconded by Mr. Shanklin,

That the words "One Dollar Entrance Fee and," be struck out, and the words "Five" be altered to "Three."

The amendment having been put to the meeting, was declared carried.

Section Five was struck out.

Section One, of Article Two, having been read, it was

Moved by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. D. H. Allan,

That this section be amended by adding at the end thereof, the following words: "Provided that one-half at least of the Board of Directors, shall be persons engaged in Manufacturing Art, or as Operative Mechanics."

The President having called the Vice-President to the Chair, addressed the meeting, and then resumed the chair.

Moved by Dr. Canniff, seconded by Mr. Shanklin,

That the meeting do now adjourn.— Motion lost.

The amendment having been put to the meeting, Mr. W. B. Hamilton required the yeas and nays to be taken.

For the amendment to the motion, 21. Against it, 32.

Amendment to the motion lost.

Moved by Mr. Maclear, seconded by Mr. Samuel, and resolved,

That this meeting be now adjourned until 8 o'clock, p. m., on Thursday next, the 25th inst.

THURSDAY, MAY 25, 1876.

The adjourned Annual Meeting of the Members was held this evening.

THOMAS DAVISON, ESQ.,

PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read for the information of members not present at that meeting.

The consideration of the proposed new Constitution and By-laws was proceeded with.

Moved by Mr. Maclear, seconded by Mr. Hartill,

That Section One of Article Two be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Spence, seconded by Mr. Edwards,

That the words "two Directresses" be struck out, and the following words substituted in lieu thereof: "any of whom may be either male or female."

The amendment having been put to the meeting was declared lost.

The original motion was then put to the meeting, Messrs. Lee and Withrow being appointed tellers, and declared carried, 65 having voted for, and 21 against the motion.

Moved by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Mr. Maclear,

That Section Two be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Pell, seconded by Mr. Edwards,

That this Section be amended to read the same as in the present Constitution.

The amendment having been put to the meeting, was declared lost.

The original motion was then put to the meeting and declared carried.

Moved by Mr. Maclear, seconded by Mr. Samuel,

That Section Three be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Spence, seconded by Mr. Lee,

That this Section be amended by striking out all the words preceding "They shall enter," on the 15th line, and substituting in lieu thereof the following words: "Twelve Directors shall be elected annually at the Annual Meeting."

The amendment having been put to

the meeting, was declared

Moved by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Mr. Maclear, and resolved,

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That Section Four be adopted.

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That Article Three be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Pell, and resolved,

That this Article be amended by substituting the words "last Monday in May," in lieu of "first Monday in June."

Moved by Mr. Maclear, seconded by Mr. Samuel, and resolved,

That Article Four be adopted.

Moved by Mr. Lee, seconded by Mr. Hartill,

That the former Constitution be hereby rescinded and repealed, and that this Constitution, as amended, be hereby adopted in lieu thereof.

Moved in amendment by Mr. Edwards seconded by Mr. Pell,

That Section One in Article Two, be amended by adding at the end thereof, the following words: "Provided always that one-half at least of the Board of Directors shall be persons engaged in Manufacturing Art, or as Operative Mechanics."

The amendment having been put to the meeting, Mr. Pell required the yeas and nays to be taken.

For the amendment to the motion, 16, against it, 46.

Amendment to the motion lost.

The original motion was then put to the meeting and declared carried.

Moved by Mr. Samuel, seconded by Mr. Sweetnam, and resolved,

That this meeting be now adjourned until 8 o'clock, p. m., on Monday next, the 29th instant.

MONDAY, MAY 29, 1876.

The adjourned Annual Meeting of the members was held this evening.

LEWIS SAMUEL, ESQ.,

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read for the information of the

members not present at that meeting.

Moved by Mr. Sweetnam, seconded by Mr. Pell, and resolved,

That the adoption of the By-laws be not now considered, but that a Committee be formed consisting of the President, Vice-President, Messrs. Hartill, Edwards and Ridout, with the Mover and Seconder of this resolution, to examine said By-laws and report at the next quarterly meeting of the Institute, as to the advisability of their being adopted, amended or rejected. The said Committee shall be first convened by the President, and afterwards by the Chairman appointed, and a majority shall form a quorum.

Mr. Sweetnam rose to a question of privilege respecting a document which had been signed by some members of the Board of Directors of the Institute, affirming that Mr. Davison's letter of September last, addressed to the President of the Mechanics' Institutes' Association, had not been submitted to the Board of Directors of this Institute, at a meeting held on the 9th September last, copies of which document had been sent to the President and some members of the Association. Mr. Sweetnam affirmed that that part of the said document was incorrect which set forth that Mr. Davison's letter had not been submitted to, and rejected by the Board at the meeting in question.

It was moved by Mr. G. W. Badgerow, seconded by Mr. W. Wrigley, and resolved,

That Messrs. A. T. McCord, D. H. Allan, B. Walton, and C. Carnegie, with the mover of this resolution, be a Committee to enquire into the statements made by Mr. Sweetnam, and report thereon at the next regular meeting.

The Chairman appointed Messrs. Allan, Bailey, McDonald, and Rev. W. G. Grant, Scrutineers of the Ballot.

The Chairman declared the following Officers elected without opposition.\*

\*Mr. Fensom having declined his nomination for First Vice-President.





# Annual Report, 1876.

The Directors of the Toronto Mechanics' Institute beg leave to submit their report for the financial year ended 30th April, 1876.

The year just closed has been one of almost unexampled depression in all branches of industry, it was therefore almost too much to hope that the legitimate resources of the Institute would be maintained to their customary standard. That they have been, is a pleasurable disappointment.

### THE MEMBERSHIP.

Your Directors regret to report a slight decrease in the membership during the past year, part of which has arisen from the withdrawal of the subscriptions paid by two Companies who paid for the whole of their staff. Finding their Employees refusing to accept the privileges of the Institute even when offered free of any cost, the Companies in question felt compelled though reluctantly to withdraw their subscriptions; a further reduction is due to the reduced number of pupils attending the evening classes, many of whom become members or subscribers when joining the classes. A reduced number of pupils therefore produces a corresponding decrease in the number of new Members or Subscribers. Making due allowances for these reductions, it is a matter for congratulation that the membership has maintained its present strength, notwithstanding the great depression of trade during the past year, and the increase in the rate of subscription adopted at the last quarterly meeting of the members.

The following is a statement of the Membership, May 1, 1876;—

Honorary Members.....	10
Life Members.....	65
Members.....	633
Half yearly Subscribers.....	46
Quarterly do.....	29
Ladies, yearly.....	109
“ ½ “.....	22
“ Quarterly.....	23

Youths, yearly.....	81
“ ½ “.....	10
“ Quarterly.....	4
	1,032

Average membership during the year:	
Aug 1.....	1,045
Nov 1.....	1,073
Feb 1.....	1,173
May 1.....	1,031
	1,080

Left during the year, having paid one subscription only.		Joined during the year.	
Members.....	111		165
Half yearly subscribers.....	26		56
Quarterly.....	42		58
Ladies, yearly.....	45		58
“ ½ “.....	13		23
“ Quarterly ..	15		30
Youths, yearly.....	34		44
“ ½ “.....	1		9
“ Quarterly....	10		14
	297		457

No. of Members at the date of the last report was.....		1,121
Deduct withdrawals.....		546
		575

Added during the year.....	457
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Present Total..... 1,032

### FINANCES

This important section of the Institute is in a satisfactory condition, the amount received from Members and Subscribers during the past year being in excess of any former year of the Institute; and the Members will find pleasure in observing that the legitimate resources of the Institute are yearly steadily increasing. In consulting the comfort of the Members your Directors have expended during the past year, the sum of \$229 in repairing,

cleaning, and improving the lighting of the reading-rooms and library, they trust in so doing to have met the approbation of the Members.

THE READING ROOM AND LIBRARY

have received careful attention during the past year. Your Directors regret the continued stealing of books from the library, 231 volumes having been stolen during the past year. It has also been discovered that parties other than Subscribers have been in the habit of taking away books by secreting them about their person when visiting the Institute with Subscribers; a Member of your Board having accidentally discovered four persons of one family who were in the habit of so doing. These frauds on the Institute, together with the great yearly loss of books by stealing, point most forcibly to the urgent necessity of enclosing the library and issuing the books by catalogue, as the only means of maintaining and enlarging the library.

The infliction of fines has been strictly enforced, your Directors are pleased to report, with an absence of the annoyance complained of last year. The amount received for fines and fees has been \$277 60, being \$185 in excess of the average of the past ten years, and only 53 cases of appeal have been adjudicated by the committee.

107 volumes of works stolen have been replaced by purchases. The Directors derive some satisfaction in recording the fact of 116 volumes entered in last report as stolen, having been surreptitiously replaced in the library: it is much to be regretted that the consciences of many other persons have not been similarly affected to the profit of the Institute. The sum of \$24 50 has been received from weekly visitors to the Reading Room.

The recent alterations in the postal regulations has afforded an opportunity of effecting a considerable reduction in the cost of newspapers and periodicals, of which full advantage has been taken, resulting in a saving of some \$50 without in any way diminishing or delaying the supply; a still further reduction has also been arranged for the coming year.

The sum of \$1,219 has been expended

on the Library and in maintaining the supply of newspapers and periodicals to the Reading Room.

It is much to be regretted that light literature engrosses so much attention. The total issue of books from the library during the past year has been 34,205 out of which 27,164 were novels, and 3,155 periodical literature. A novel, when placed in the library, will require re-binding in less than six months, while in the Biographical Section, which contains 642 volumes, no less than 431 are still in their original bindings and very many unsoiled.

No. of volumes in the Library,	
May 1st, 1875.....	7,535
Parliamentary Reports.....	136
Purchased.....	452
Periodicals, &c., bound up.....	125
Presented.....	26
Stolen Books returned.....	116
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	8,390
Worn out.....	69
Lost and paid for.....	10
Stolen.....	231
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No. of volumes, May 1st, 1876... 8,080  
107 volumes of books stolen have been replaced.

No. of volumes issued during the year, 34,205.

Average number to each subscriber, 31 volumes.

	Volumes Issued in during Library. the year.	
Biography.....	642	444
Fiction.....	2,688	27,164
History.....	659	489
Miscellaneous.....	564	500
Poetry and the Drama.	195	68
Periodical Literature..	1,102	3,155
Science and Art.....	530	969
Voyages and Travels..	590	1,291
Works of Reference and Special.....	901	98
Religious.....	209	27
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department has not been so successful in point of the number of pupils as the Committee would have wished, and the able staff of teachers could have conducted. The number of pupils enrolled was 191 and the decrease has arisen from three distinct causes: 1st, The impossibility of procuring suitable Class-Rooms; 2ndly, The competition arising from the free classes of the College of Technology; and 3rdly, The depression of trade.

The attendance, conduct and progress of the Pupils have been all that could be desired, many of the students at their examination having obtained a much larger percentage of marks, than are usually gained by the pupils of the Public Schools, a fact highly commendable to themselves as well as creditable to the teachers. It is much to be regretted that the Institute Classes, so highly useful for popular Education, cannot be rendered more available to the working classes in consequence of the impossibility of obtaining the requisite accommodation.

In regard to prizes, the old system of presenting books has been abolished, in consequence of finding in former years, that they were not appreciated by the pupils in the manner their value deserved. At the close of the past session, useful articles were therefore, presented to the successful pupils: such as a handsome walnut and plated writing desk, microscope, electro magnetic machine, miniature electric telegraph, work-boxes, ladies' satchels, camera, stereoscopes, &c. The delight of the successful pupils was so satisfactory that the class Committee strongly recommend their successors to continue the system.

The thanks of the Institute are due to the Dominion Telegraph Company and their Manager, Thos. Swinyard, Esq., for their kindness in furnishing the necessary instruments and apparatus for the Telegraph Class, free of charge.

The thanks of the Institute are due to F. W. Cumberland, Esq., Managing Director of the Northern Railroad Company for a continuance of the kindness evinced towards the Institute for many years past, by the annual donation of \$100, a donation which was the more acceptable from the past session not proving an exception to the rule, of the

class account being against the Committee. This department is, however, an important element of a Mechanics' Institute, and the great success that has attended the past session, so far as the results exhibit, warrant the Committee in the belief, that if suitable accommodation could possibly be obtained, these classes would produce such results as would be highly gratifying to every advocate of popular education, and every one desirous of promoting the progress, prosperity and tranquility of the city.

The care with which the Gentlemen fulfilled the duties of Examiners, was highly satisfactory to the Committee, and merits the thanks of the Members.

Your Directors cannot close this portion of their report without drawing attention to the regulations, under which the Institute receives back the \$20 paid annually to the "Mechanics' Institutes' Association," this sum is received upon the condition that it is awarded in prizes of the value of \$10, \$6, and \$4 to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd, most proficient pupils. These amounts must, at all times, be in excess of those awarded by the Institute to the other classes, and is the cause of dissatisfaction to the pupils and teachers. If the prizes presented by the Institute were made of equal value, it would entail an annual expense of \$160 to the Institute.

The conditions would be much more satisfactory if the amount was simply received to be awarded in prizes, as the Examiners might decide.

Your Committee also regret that Mechanics' Institutes are unable to obtain the requisite books, &c., required by the pupils, from the Educational Department, on the same terms, and subject to the liberal discount allowed to the Public Schools. The Classes of the various Mechanics' Institutes are organized for the education of those who, in earlier life, have not had the opportunity to avail themselves of the Public Schools. In fact these classes, throughout the country, fill a blank which now exists in the Public School system; and being important means to educate and elevate a portion of the people, who cannot be reached at present by any other means, should, your Committee believe, be awarded the same liberal privileges as are allowed to the Public Schools.

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GRAMMAR CLASS.

Teacher—Levi Clark, Esq.,  
Examiners—John Campbell,  
Esq., and James Anderson,  
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BOYS.

1st Prize, Eugene McCarthy,  
"Student's Case."  
Thos. Young.....Diploma.  
F. Steele..... "  
C. Mahony..... "

GIRLS.

70 51 1st Prize, Mary Hawthorne,  
"Scent Case."

WRITING.

Teacher—Levi Clark, Esq.,  
Examiners—John Campbell,  
Esq., and James Anderson,  
Esq.

BOYS.

1st Prize, Jas. Young, "Elec-  
tro Magnetic Machine."

GIRLS.

1st Prize.....Maggie Duffus  
"Work Box."

BOOKKEEPING.

40 41 Teacher—M. Richardson, Esq  
Examiners—Jas. Porter, Esq  
and J. E. Baillie, Esq.

BOYS.

1st. Prize.....C. J. Agar,  
"Microscope."  
2nd ".....W. Duncan,  
"Inkstand."  
F. Yard.....Diploma.  
C. K. Unwin..... "

GIRLS.

1st Prize..Mary Ann Cooper,  
"Lady's Companion."

ARITHMETIC.

64 35 Teacher—A.F.McDonald, Esq  
Examiners—John Campbell,  
Esq., and James Anderson,  
Esq.  
1st Prize....Henry Strachan,  
"Writing Desk."  
2nd ".....John Smith,  
"Satchell."  
G. Coe.....Diploma.  
D. Wilkinson..... "  
R. W. Pridham.... "

ARCHITECTURAL AND MECHANICAL  
DRAWING.

31 14 Teacher—Wm. Revell, Esq.  
Examiners—Mark Hall, Esq.  
and John Fensom, Esq.

ARCHITECTURAL.

1st Prize.....G. Donovan,  
"Opera Glass."  
W. Lunn.....Diploma.  
F. W. Kerr..... "

MECHANICAL.

1st Prize....W. A. Harwood  
"Stereoscope."

FREEHAND DRAWING.

23 16 Teacher—Jas. Hoch, Esq.  
Examiner—R.F. Gagen, Esq

BOYS.

1st Prize.....John Webber,  
"Camera."  
J. D. Swalm.....Diploma.

GIRLS.

1st Prize....Matilda Dunlop,  
"Work Box."

SHORT HAND.

16 16 Teacher—W.B.Thompson, Esq  
Examiner—Jno. Taylor, Esq

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1st Prize . . . . . Wm. Dunbar,  
 "Bill Case," presented  
 by Prof. Goldwin Smith  
 A. E. Goldsmith . . . Diploma.  
 John Niven . . . . . "

TELEGRAPHIC.

19 14 Teacher—R. F. Easson, Esq.  
 Examiners—Thomas Pike,  
 Esq., and Chas. Brook, Esq.

BOYS.

1st Prize . . . Michael Doherty,  
 "Leather Bag."

GIRLS.

1st Prize . . . . . Miss Daw,  
 "Electric Telegraph."

WAX FLOWERS.

6 4 Teacher—Mrs. Davy.

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LECTURES

The season just closed has been one of disappointment. Eight Lectures have been given with an adverse financial result. The best lecture gave the worst return, and worst lecture the best return—certainly a not very encouraging reward for the Committee who take charge of this laborious part of the Institute work. They would recommend their successors to eschew all Lectures for the future, or at least until the hard times are past.

Some Ladies have been suggesting a Bazaar of useful articles, to be tendered the Institute, the coming fall. If the idea is carried out, its success will be almost certain.

RE-PURCHASE OF THE BUILDING, AND SUGGESTIONS.

In December last, the Secretary submitted some suggestions to the Board, tending to the improvement and sociability of the Institute. The suggestions were carefully considered and shortly afterwards a letter was received from the Hon. Mr. Crooks, relative to the Institute re-purchasing the building. A special meeting of the Members was convened, when your Directors were em-

powered to negotiate with the Government for the re-purchase of the building, and to carry out the suggestions of the Secretary as soon as possession of the Music Hall could be obtained.

The negotiations have not however been completed, but your Directors believe that they will result in a provisional agreement for the repurchase of the building, to be submitted to the Legislature at its next session, when the Institution will be placed in a position to effectually carry out its objects and to give effect to the best wishes and interests of its members.

The large number of persons who have voluntarily expressed their readiness to become members, when the smoking, conversation and games room is established, fully convince your Directors of the ultimate success of the Institute; they believe with many of our Citizens, that it will afford a great and powerful counter-attraction to the many places of public resort, which, unfortunately, do not tend to the moral or mental improvement of the large number of young men in the city. It is believed the proposed additions will promote the sociability and popularity of the Institute, and largely increase the membership. Funds would thereby be provided, whereby the Institute could extend its usefulness, augment the classes, improve and greatly enlarge the library, making it a boon and a credit to our Citizens. The Ladies' Reading and Waiting Room would also, without any doubt, be largely patronized, there being no such accommodation in the city. The members are assured that no endeavor has been wanting, on the part of the Board, to bring the matter to a successful issue, but which they trust their successors may speedily be able to accomplish.

NEW CONSTITUTION.

The Constitution and By-laws of the Institute having become out of print, the Directors felt that before issuing another edition for the use of the Members, some alterations and amendments might be made with benefit to its working. That Constitution is now submitted for your approval. Many of its clauses can only become operative, when the Institute shall become possessed of more commodious rooms.





APPENDIX B.

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, APRIL 30TH, 1876.

ASSETS.		LIABILITIES.			
	\$	c.	\$	c.	
Library and Furniture, May 1, 1875	11,311	75	Mr. Langley .....	30	00
Deduct Books worn out.....	100	00	Gas .....	23	00
	11,211	75	Balance .....	24,974	73
Added since.....	908	00			
	12,119	75			
Subscriptions due.....		256			
Interest.....		242			
Advertisements.....		56			
Newspapers.....		4			
Cash at Interest..	12,125	00			
Cash at Bank.....	148	75			
Cash in hand.....	74	98			
	12,348	73			
	\$25,027	73			\$25,027 73

To the President and Directors of the Toronto Mechanics' Institute:

We, the undersigned, appointed at the last regular meeting of your Association, Auditors for the past year, beg leave to submit the following Report:

We have carefully examined the Books of Account kept by the Secretary-Librarian, Mr. Davy, including a record of the receipts from members, as obtained from the counterfoils of the Receipt Books, and

find the same to be strictly correct. We find the Cash on hand, Cash in Bank, and investment in Building Society, to be as reported in Appendix B.

It affords us much pleasure to bear testimony to the neatness, accuracy and general business ability shown by Mr. Davy in his records of the Institution.

(Signed) JAMES PORTER.  
JAMES E. BAILLIE.

May 16, 1876.

APPENDIX C.

BOOKS PRESENTED TO THE INSTITUTE DURING THE YEAR.

By MESSRS. BELFORD BROS.

- 4 Copies of "Blue Bell."
- "We and Our Neighbours."
- "Adventures of Mick Callighin."
- "Morals of Abou Ben Adhem."
- 3 Copies of "Wreck of the Chancellor."
- 2 " " "How to Live Long."

By JOHN COOMBE, Esq.

"The Bible Vindicated against Modern Theology."

By JOHN MACDONALD, Esq., M.P.

12 Copies of "Business Success."

By Mr. T. GRAINGER.

"Things as they are in America."

By MANCHESTER FREE LIBRARY.—Catalogue of Books.

By the REV. DR. SCADDING.

"The Canadian Journal."

## APPENDIX D.

RETURN SHEWING THE NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, &C., WITH WHICH THE INSTITUTE IS SUPPLIED.

BRITISH NEWSPAPERS.		
Army and Navy Gazette.	Temple Bar.—2 Copies.	
Athenæum.	Westminster Review.	
Belfast Whig.	Young Ladies' Journal.	
Builder.		
Dispatch.		
Dublin Warder.		
Economist.		
Edinburgh Scotsman.		
European Mail.		
Fun.		
Glasgow Herald.		
Illustrated Graphic.		
"    London News.		
Liverpool Journal.		
Manchester Courier.		
Public Opinion.		
Punch.		
Saturday Review.		
The Field.		
The Times.		
Watchman.		
BRITISH MAGAZINES.		
All the Year Round.—2 Copies.		
Army List.		
Art Journal.		
Belgravia.—2 Copies.		
Blackwood's Magazine.		
British Quarterly.		
Chambers's Journal.		
Contemporary Review.		
Cornhill Magazine.—2 Copies.		
Dublin University Magazine.		
Dublin Quarterly Review.		
Edinburgh Review.		
English Mechanic.		
English Woman's Magazine.		
Fortnightly Review.		
Fraser's Magazine.		
Good Words.		
Iron.		
Leisure Hour.		
London Society.—2 Copies.		
"    Quarterly.		
Macmillan's Magazine.		
Navy List.		
Once a Week.		
Quarterly.		
Sunday at Home.		
	AMERICAN.	
	Atlantic Monthly.	
	Chicago Tribune.	
	Danbury News.	
	Godey's Lady's Book.	
	Harper's Monthly Magazine.—2 Copies.	
	"    Weekly.	
	Littell's Living Age.	
	New York Herald.	
	"    Independent.	
	New York Shipping List.	
	"    Tribune.	
	Scientific American.	
	CANADIAN.	
	Canadian Monthly Magazine.	
	"    Patent Office Record.	
	Halifax Nova Scotian.	
	Illustrated Canadian News.	
	Kingston News.	
	Manitoba Free Press.	
	Montreal Gazette.	
	"    Herald.	
	Monthly Popular Science.	
	Quebec Chronicle.	
	St. Johns, N. B. Telegraph.	
	Toronto Globe.—2 Copies.	
	"    Leader.	
	"    Mail.—2 Copies	
	"    Evening Telegram.	
	<i>The following are kindly supplied to the Institute gratuitously.</i>	
	Atlantic County Weekly	
	Review .....	By Publishers
	Barrie Advance.....	"
	Brampton Banner.....	"
	Brantford Courier.....	"
	Canadian Baptist.....	"
	Christian Guardian.....	"
	Churchman, by Rev. W.	
	Grant .....	"
	Dundas True Banner.....	"
	Guelph Herald.....	"
	Hamilton Spectator.....	"
	"    Times.....	"

Huron Signal.  
Iron Magazine.  
Lindsay Post.  
London Advertiser.  
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Milton Champion.  
Monetary Times.  
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Ontario Gazette.  
Orillia Packet.  
Ottawa Citizen.  
Parliamentary  
Peterboro' Review.  
Richmond Hill



Huron Signal.....	"	Sarnia Weekly.....	"
Iron Magazine.....	"	St. Thomas Home Journal.	"
Lindsay Post.....	"	Stratford Beacon.....	"
London Advertiser .....	"	Toronto Baptist.....	"
"    Herald.....	"	"    Mail.....	"
Milton Champion.....	"	"    Nation .....	"
Monetary Times.....	"	"    National .....	"
Montreal Journal of Com-	"	Upper Canada Journal of	"
merce.....	"	Education .. .	"
Ontario Gazette.....	"	Uxbridge Guardian.....	"
Orillia Packet.....	"	Victoria British Colonist..	"
Ottawa Citizen.....	"	"    Weekly Standard.	"
Parliamentary Reports....	"	Walkerton Telescope.....	"
Peterboro' Review.....	"	Whitby Chronicle.....	"
Richmond Hill Herald....	"	Woodstock Times.....	"



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