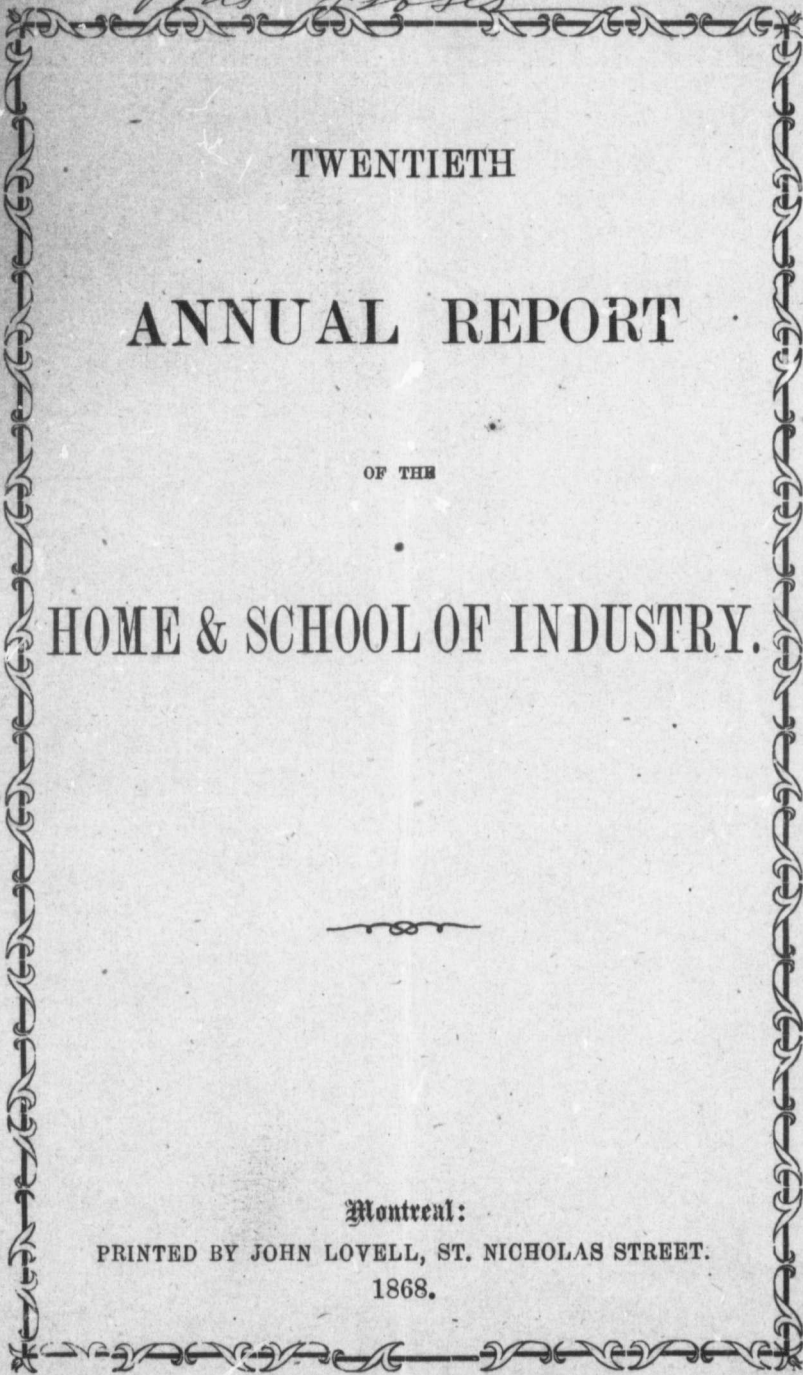


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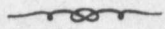


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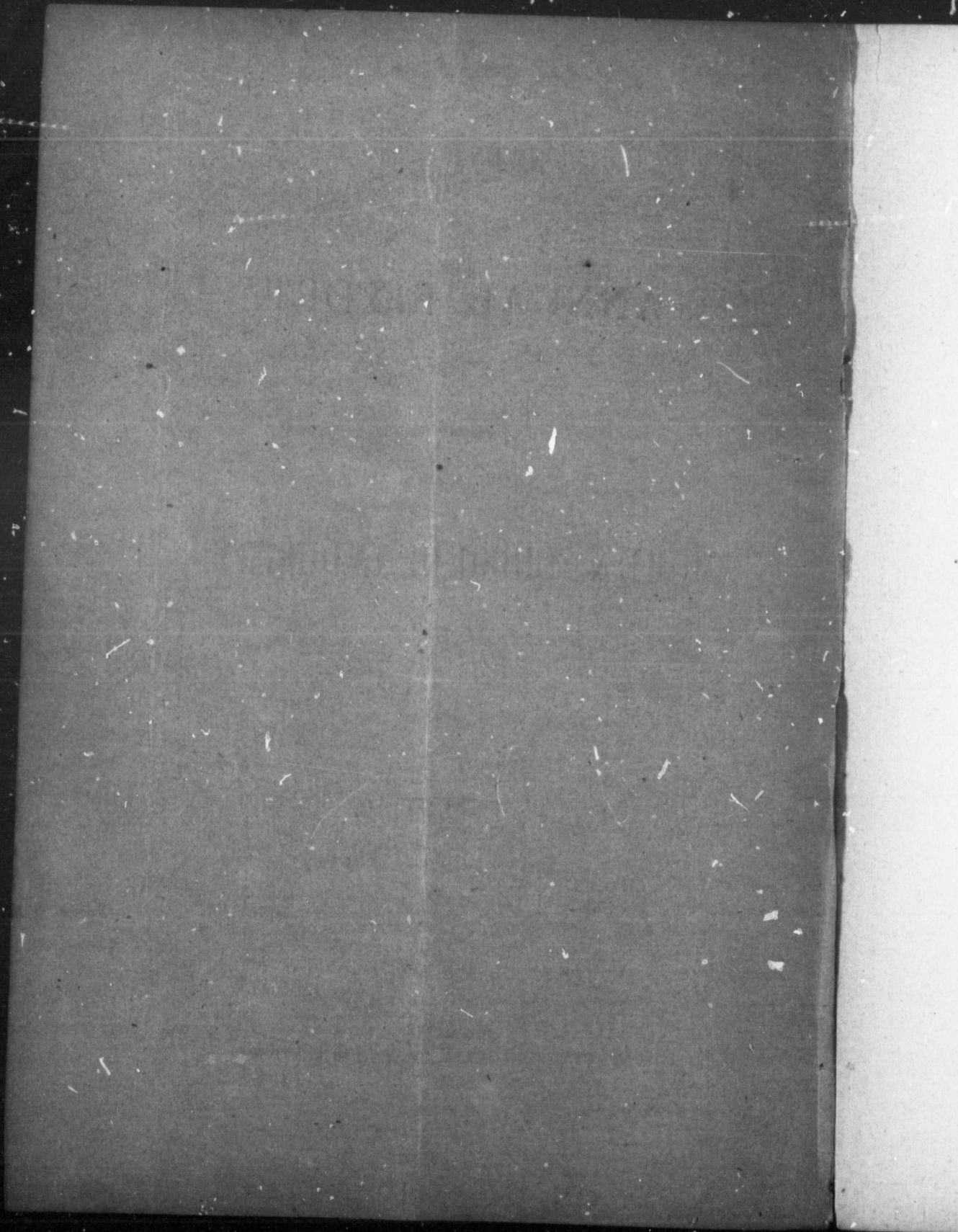
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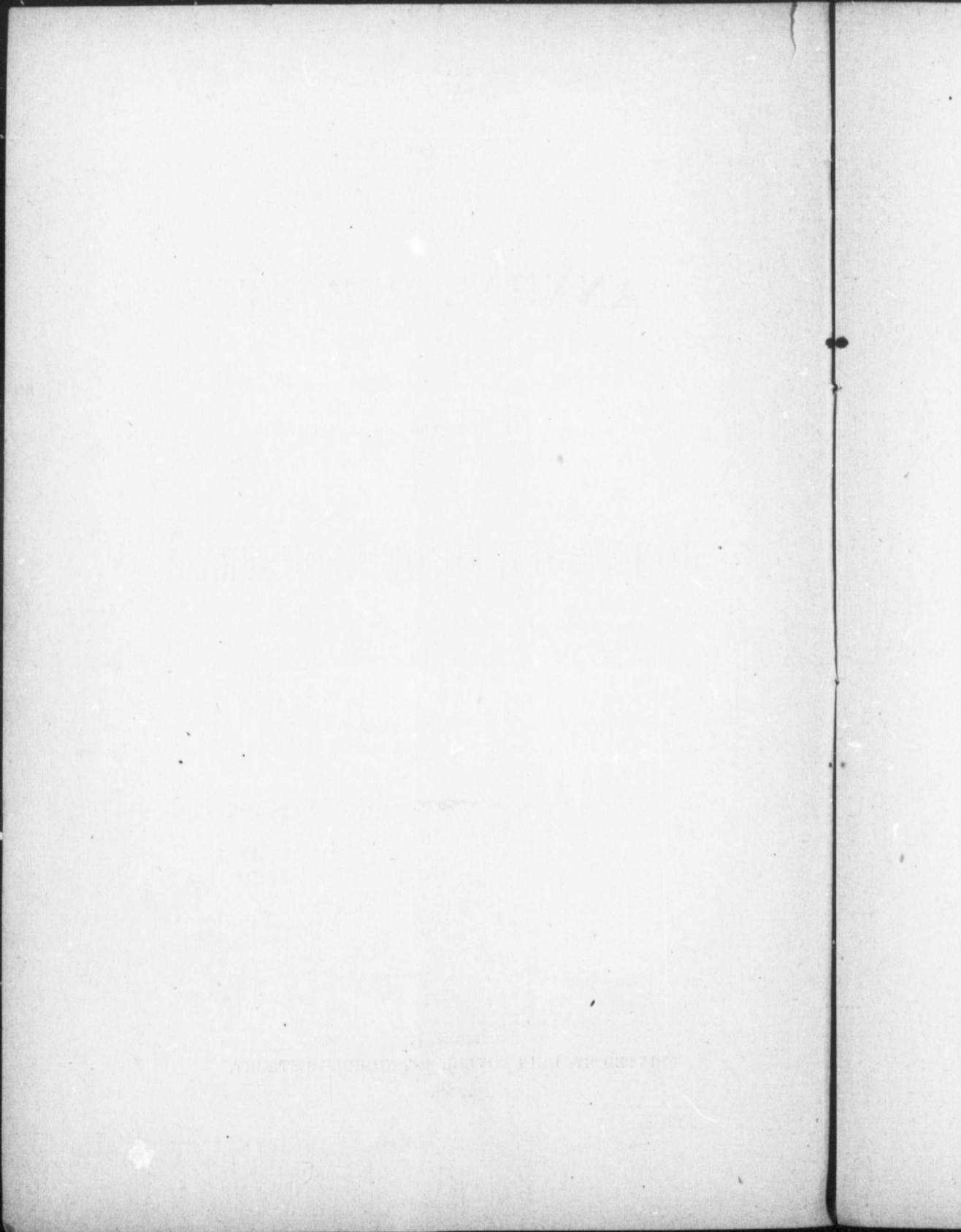
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## ANNUAL MEETING.

The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Home and School of Industry, was held on Monday, 15th of June, 1868, at the Institution, No. 478 Lagauchetiere Street.

The chair was taken by Rev. John Alexander, who read the Report of the Home and School, and the Treasurer's Statement up to date.

John Stirling, Esq., seconded by Rev. Mr. Cochrane, of Brantford, moved the first resolution, viz.:

"That the Report now read be adopted and printed, and that the following ladies be the officers and committee for the ensuing year, with power to add to their number:

<i>First Directress</i> . . . . .	Miss Hervey.
<i>Second Directress</i> . . . . .	Mrs. Durnford.
<i>Treasurer</i> . . . . .	Mrs. J. Alexander.
<i>Secretary</i> . . . . .	Miss A. Thomson.

### COMMITTEE.

Mrs. J. Stirling,	Mrs. Cornish,	Mrs. Watkins,
" McDonald,	" C. Childs,	" C. Browne,
" J. Popham,	" Hall,	" Buntin,
" McNaughton,	" Perkins,	" J. Lovell,
" T. M. Thomson,	" J. Morris,	Miss Rae,
" Collard,	" Ford,	Mrs. Dickson.
" Claxton,	" Foster,	

### YOUNG LADIES' COMMITTEE.

The Misses Smith,	Miss Thomson,	Miss Pollock,
" " Browne,	" Sexton,	" Watkins.
" " Durnford,	" Ford,	

It was then moved by Major-General Russell, C.B., seconded by Rev. Thomas Alexander, of Ontario:

"That this meeting desires to return sincere and hearty thanks to the friends and supporters of this Institution, who have taken so kind an interest in its welfare; and above all, to a kind Providence, without whose care and blessing all human effort would be unavailing.

Moved by John Popham, Esq., seconded by Rev. Mr. Craigie, of Simcoe:

"That the present flourishing state of the Institution, and the frequent applications for admission which the Committee have been obliged to refuse, render it necessary to erect a plain commodious building, capable of affording the comforts and enjoyment of a *Home* to about a hundred children, instead of the 39 who now find accommodation.

The Committee therefore earnestly hope, that strenuous efforts will be made by the friends of the Institution, and all who are interested in the cause, to forward, as far as in their power, this most desirable object."

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OWING to the removal of the Institution at the time the Annual Meeting for 1867 ought to have been held, the Report was not printed last year, which makes it necessary for your Secretary to give a statement of the details of the work for the last two years.

We have again, with renewed feelings of gratitude, to thank the Almighty for the measure of success which has attended our labours. It is with much satisfaction that we inform you (as will also be seen from the Treasurer's Report) that the Institution is now quite out of debt, and that there is even a little money on hand. We would draw attention here to the fact, that a considerable amount of the disbursements for the current six months, as given in the above mentioned Report, is for debts incurred some eighteen months ago. This will account for the increased expenditure.

The present house in Lagauchetiere Street was taken last year, at a much lower rent than the former building, and has been found very suitable for the accommodation of the inmates. Thirty-nine children are at present clothed, boarded and educated, who have all enjoyed excellent health since the time they entered the Institution. It is a fact which speaks well for the care taken of the children, that there has been only one death during the last two years among the inmates of the Home, a little girl, Eleonora Mc-Lee, who died from the effects of whooping cough, early last spring.

The matron, Mrs. McLeod, and Mrs. Andrews, the teacher, have most faithfully and conscientiously discharged their respective duties. Indeed, your Committee have great pleasure in expressing their entire satisfaction with the manner in which the domestic pursuits and the religious training of the children have been attended to. Mrs. Andrews has been unwearied in her exertions to give the children regular, orderly, and industrious habits,

and they seem to look upon her more in the light of a mother than of a teacher. There have been several examinations during the last two years, and the clergymen who kindly conducted these exercises, expressed themselves much pleased, both with the progress the children had made in secular knowledge, and especially with their prompt and correct replies to scripture questions.

Since the close of 1866, twenty-four children have been admitted, all under the age of twelve. For eight of these suitable places have been provided; six have been returned to their friends, and thirty-nine little ones are at present under the shelter of the Home. There have been no unfavorable accounts received of those who have gone to service, which fact is gratifying to your Committee.

The importance of this Children's Home is becoming daily more appreciated, and it is the earnest desire of the Committee that strenuous efforts should be made to erect a plain but commodious dwelling, large enough to enable them to admit three times the present number of inmates. This necessity is the more felt, as it is against the rule to admit children into the "Industrial House of Refuge." A small sum was realized last spring, by a sale of work done by Miss Hervey's junior pupils. This money goes to purchase materials for a larger sale, to be held next autumn in aid of the proposed erection. It is hoped that the friends of the Institution, with their usual liberality, will assist by their contributions, this desirable object.

The grateful thanks of the Committee are returned to Dr. Schilling, and his amateur friends, for two successive concerts, given in the spring of 1867, in aid of the Institution, and which realized upwards of 400 dollars. This handsome sum enabled your Committee to pay off all the debt which was then owing.

Sincere thanks are returned for the collection taken up in the "First Baptist Church," in aid of this Institution. Also to Mrs. Popham, for the very liberal amount collected by her in "Zion Church." Miss Hervey, and the ladies who collected with her last fall and this spring, return hearty thanks to T. Foster, Esq., for the sum of \$25, and to the other gentlemen on whom they called for the very liberal donations which many of them gave, and which were peculiarly acceptable at that time, when it was feared that

the "Annual Grant" would not be renewed. The Committee also beg to thank Dr. McCallum for his valuable medical services given gratuitously during the past two years.

It might be interesting to state a few circumstances concerning some of the "Home children." A lady called on Miss Hervey early last spring, telling her of a family of three little children, under ten years of age, who had been deserted by both parents, and who were in a state of the greatest destitution, and begged that they might be allowed to enter the Home. They were admitted, and so grateful has the lady felt for the comfortable shelter thus provided for them, that she has striven to induce several other ladies to become yearly subscribers. Another case which has interested the Committee, is that of a family of little children, whose father is in the hospital. The mother, who is a Roman Catholic, is addicted to drink. The Nuns, who saw that she was unfit to take care of the children, removed them to a convent. Some noble-hearted men, fellow-workers with the father of these children, were unwilling that they should be brought up as Roman Catholics, and have agreed to pay for their board and education at the Home.

Many other cases of equal interest might be quoted, but these will suffice to shew the importance of the work done in sheltering and caring for these neglected ones. While your Committee feel deeply grateful to all the friends who have aided them during the past two years, they yet earnestly hope that, in future, many more benevolently disposed persons will come forward to assist in the noble mission in providing a "Home" for the little outcasts of our city.

Respectfully submitted.

A. T. THOMSON, *Secretary.*

#### DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Collected by Miss Hervey and Mrs. John Stirling.	William Dow, Esq. ....	10 00
	H. McLennan, Esq. ....	10 00
	J. P. Clark, Esq. ....	5 00
William Workman, Esq. .... \$10 00	Lewis, Kay & Co. ....	5 00
R. Anderson. .... 10 00	W. J. Greenshields, Esq. ....	5 00
Frothingham & Workman .. 10 00	Nelson, Wood & Co. ....	5 00
Thomas Rimmer, Esq. .... 10 00	James Matthewson, Esq. ....	5 00





*The HOUSE OF INDUSTRY in account with MRS. JOHN ALEXANDER, December 1, 1867, to June 1, 1868.*

	Cr.	Dr.
To Amount of Government Grant .....	\$320 00	\$100 00
" Donation City and District Savings Bank .....	50 00	17 75
" Subscriptions and Donations .....	523 57	114 00
" Rent of Room .....	37 65	151 01
" Premium on Bills .....	6 97	48 08
" Collection Christmas Dinner .....	56 25	15 20
" Children's Board .....	320 65	106 92
" Donation from Miss Hervey .....	24 00	156 20
Total Receipts .....	\$1339 09	71 60
		131 07
		20 22
		24 85
		4 56
		28 87
		7 87
		17 75
		200 00
		123 14
		\$1339 09

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ANNIE B. ALEXANDER,  
*Treasurer.*

Montreal, June 15th, 1868.