

**FREDERICTON INSTITUTION**  
FOR THE  
**EDUCATION OF THE DEAF AND DUMB.**

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**REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL.**

*(Approved and adopted by the Committee of Management.)*

I have the pleasure of submitting the second annual report of the Fredericton Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb.

My last report related the circumstances which led to the opening of the institution in September, 1882, and contained a brief account of its progress from that time to the meeting of Legislature in the latter part of February, 1884.

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This report refers to the period of eleven months elapsing from that date to the end of January of the present year. The following has been the attendance :

1. Ernest Prince, 13 years, St. John.
2. Frederick J. T. Boal, 12 years, Sussexvale, King's County.
3. Murray McMackin, 12 years, Butternut Ridge.
4. Ernest Ward Hagerman, 16 years, Woodstock.
5. John Herbert Bryden, 10 years, Woodstock.
6. Blanche Young, 11 years, Portland, St. John.
7. Mary Upham, 18 years, King's County.
8. Isedore Ricker, 16 years, Turtle Creek, Albert Co.
9. Avondale Smith, 12 years, Albert Mines, Albert Co.
10. Lena Logan, 8 years, Portland, St. John.
11. Elizabeth McLaughlin, 9 years, St. Stephen, Charlotte County.
12. Lillie Whelpley, 14 years, St. John.
13. Edward Morse Wheary, 12 years, Keswick, Carleton County.
14. Maggie Cronkite, 18 years, Middle Perth.
15. James Franklin Reilley, 6 years, St. Stephen, Charlotte County.
16. Alfred Rowe Shaw, 7 years, Middle Simonds, Carleton County.
17. Florence Mitton, 15 years, Turtle Creek, Albert Co.

Two boys, Henry Morrell and Sumner Jones, were removed at the commencement of the summer holidays, and two boys and one girl, James Reilley, Alfred Shaw and Florence Mitton, have been admitted since the opening of the session.

It was considered unadvisable to take in all the applicants who offered themselves for admission during the past year, on account of the limited state of our funds, and several candidates are necessarily standing over till next session.

There is no doubt that the attendance of pupils might easily be doubled, had we that pecuniary support from the Province which the importance of the work deserves.

We have made it a rule to carry on the institution as economically as possible, but its actual wants have not been

met by the means provided in the past. While freely acknowledging the kindness of all who have extended a helping hand to sustain its operations, we would hope that the enforced economies of the past will not be the measure of our necessities in the future.

We would respectfully remind the members of our Legislature, the dispensers of the public funds, that the deaf and dumb are here, about one in every thousand of our population, and that they require to be educated. Is it not desirable, then, to provide an institution which will carry out the object fully and effectively? The promoters of such an object should not be required to struggle along year after year, with energies crippled for the want of funds. It should rather be the desire of our Legislature to provide an institution which will meet the requirements of an increasing population, and be a credit to the Province.

During the past year the operations of the institution have been carried on harmoniously and effectively. It is satisfactory to report that our work has not retrograded, but is equal to, if not in advance of, the previous year. The session has not been marked by any unusual event, and the work has gone on—without interruption and with fair results.

No change has occurred in our teaching staff. Mr. Ernest Powers, who came from England to devote himself to the work, in December, 1883, still continues in charge of the Second Class, and fills the position with credit to himself and benefit to his pupils.

The general health of our family has been exceedingly good. There has been no case of serious illness among our pupils during the whole session; but coughs, colds, and other trivial ailments, to which children are always liable, we have, of course, not been without.

The situation of the institution is a healthy one. Our sanitary condition is excellent. A fine spring of pure water rises in the woods above the institution, and supplies us with this necessary of life in abundance. A good cow provides us with what milk we need. With pure air, good substantial food, clean beds, well ventilated rooms and plenty of out of door exercise, there is little cause to fear sickness; and when it does come, their systems are pre-

pared and robust enough to shake off, in a few days, what would with children less favorably situated probably become of serious import. In this connection, our best thanks are due to Dr. Brown for his kind gratuitous attendance. His promptness in replying to our calls relieves us of much anxiety. Mr. Davis also merits our thanks for supplies of free medicines.

The claim which the deaf and dumb have upon their native place for what intellectual advantages it affords, should be recognized as equally imperative with that of hearing and speaking children. No doubt exists as to the wisdom of making ample provision for supplying every one of these with a good education, but the deaf and dumb are left, to a large extent, dependent on the charity of the benevolent. While the subscribers have given our collectors a very kind reception, and have expressed their satisfaction at the results which have been attained by the institution during the past year, it is felt that to place the institution on the best footing and to give it a favorable opportunity of reaching all the deaf mute children of the Province, would be to make it a Government institution, its expenditure to be defrayed by Government funds, thus falling upon the whole province equally; or, that each county be called upon to defray the expense of providing an education for these children in proportion to the number which it sends for instruction.

The adoption of some such plan would be of incalculable benefit to the deaf mute population of New Brunswick. The largest and most flourishing institution in Canada, that at Belleville, Ontario, is supported in this way. Nearly all the institutions in the States are supported by the Legislature as a matter of course, and the wisdom of this system is evidenced by the fact that upwards of 20,000 children have been trained and educated since the first institution was opened at Hartford in 1816. It is but rational to conclude that hundreds of these have become good and respectable citizens, responsible householders, workers in various handicrafts, payers of taxes, and supporters of the State in which they live.

There is no reason why New Brunswick should not take up the matter in earnest, provide a building capable of ac-

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commodating 50 or 60 children, endow it that it may be properly equipped, take measures to induce or compel the attendance of children, and the work, receiving this impetus, will be carried on with hope and vigor. The result cannot but be a blessing to the silent inhabitants of our province, who are living in a state of bondage and isolation, until their fetters are broken by the light of knowledge and the power which knowledge gives of holding communication with the world around them.

Their condition is anything but enviable, even when crowned with all the advantages which education bestows. They are heavily burdened to the close of life. How much heavier this burden becomes as years advance, and no helping hand is stretched forth to lighten it! Try to imagine its weight. None of the thousand and one delightful sounds which so sensibly affect ourselves can ever be heard by them. No loving accents, no words of kindly cheer, no expressions of sympathy from those who are near and dear, ever reach their ears. Nature's joyous strains are unrealized, unappreciated, and unknown. They can join in no hymns of praise, and for them the glad tidings of salvation are preached in vain. The barrier cannot be removed. No institution can replace their loss. Education cannot restore the precious gift; yet how great is its power to alleviate and soften their deprivation! No amount of teaching can give back the value of this lost faculty; but to reach their minds, although by another avenue; to enable them to discriminate between right and wrong; to give them the means of communication with their fellows; to open the language of books and periodicals; to give them an understanding of the Word of Life, and to lead them to an intelligent appreciation of Christ's great sacrifice and the way of salvation, is what it can do, has done, and is doing at the present moment to thousands of these children in various educational centres throughout the world.

While rejoicing at the progress which this Institution has made in the past, despite numerous difficulties which have presented themselves for solution during certain periods of its career, it is believed that a great and striking advance is yet to come.

In looking forward and arranging for its future, it will be well to consider the advisability of extending its privileges beyond the borders of our own Province. While, of course, the great object of the Institution has been, and will be, to reach the deaf mutes of New Brunswick, we should not forget that a great country adjoins our own, whose educational privileges for its deaf mutes are exceedingly meagre, having but a small school in Portland for this purpose. A large portion of the State is very near to us, and, as a few of its inhabitants have cheerfully subscribed to our funds to the extent of over \$200, it would but be an act of courtesy to open our doors to any deaf mute children of Maine who may choose to apply for admission.

The same argument also applies to Prince Edward Island, and we would willingly extend an invitation to all deaf mute children of the Island who may be desirous of obtaining an education in Fredericton.

We have to acknowledge, with sincere thanks, the receipt of a large number of books, maps, and educational appliances from the Provincial Secretary; one hundred volumes from the Legislative Library, per Mr. Wetmore, Librarian; copy of the London "Graphic" from Judge Weldon; "Trinity Church Parochial Magazine" from Mr. Prince, St. John; "Daily Paper for Little Readers" from Western New York Institution; the "Maritime Farmer" per Mr. McNutt; "British Workman," "Band of Hope Review" and other periodicals from Bible Society; stove from Messrs. Emerson & Fisher, St. John; a large box of toys and useful articles for Christmas tree from friends in St. John, per Postmaster King; box of raisins from Mr. Bostwick, St. John; toys and fruit from Messrs. Whelpley, Broderick and Tibbits, city.

This review of the past bids us look with hope to the future. We commend the Institution, with all its interests, to God, who has watched over it hitherto, and we go forward cheerfully and with confidence to the labors of another year.

ALBERT F. WOODBRIDGE,

*Superintendent.*

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BALANCE SHEET.

FROM MARCH, 1884, TO FEBRUARY, 1885.

Receipts.

By Collections and Subscriptions .....	\$883 27
Government Grant .....	1,000 00
Payment by Parents .....	65 00
Advanced from Private Funds .....	120 00
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Expenditure.

To Household Expenses .....	\$1,416 06
Furniture .....	125 00
Repairs of Cottages .....	50 00
Salary of Assistant and Wages of Servants,	238 60
Fuel .....	167 35
Rent and Insurance .....	71 26
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The institution, and a copy of which I have every reason to believe has been sent to several Hon. Members of the House and many leading men of the Province. Now we are, who have had daily intercourse with the institution, and every means of knowing its real condition and management. I feel that I must say a word for the institution, who has been so manifestly treated. The people are in the same building and enjoy the same privileges as Mr. W. occupies his own family, the means of which seem to be his pocket card. The arrangement of this education is most marked, and I have had pleasure in frequently calling the attention of my friends to the fact. The children all look clear, neat, healthy, cheerful, and never so happy as when in the society of their teacher. It seems that to forget that he is not a boy.

**REPORT OF THE MEDICAL ATTENDANT OF THE DEAF AND  
DUMB INSTITUTION, FREDERICTON.**

*To the Hon. Members of the Executive Council and Legis-  
lature of New Brunswick.*

GENTLEMEN,—I have much pleasure in submitting my annual report of the above institution. I am happy to state that the past year has been attended with very little sickness. There has been no deaths, and the health of the pupils has been so exceptionably good that very little time has been lost from school.

The sanitary condition of the institution is in every way perfect, and most carefully looked after. The location is admirably adapted for such an institution, and the site of the old building at Hawthorne Hill, five minutes' walk from the present one, could hardly be surpassed for beauty of location and healthiness of its surroundings.

I would here end my report with my autograph, had it not been for a most vile production, the work of a black hearted villain, invented for the sole purpose of injuring the institution, and a copy of which I have every reason to believe has been sent to several Hon. Members of the House and many leading men of the Province.

Now, as one who has had daily intercourse with the institution, and every means of knowing its most internal management, I feel that I must say a word for the innocent individual who has been so maliciously belied.

The pupils are in the same building and enjoy the same privileges as Mr. Woodbridge's own family, the morals of whom seem to be his especial care. The advancement of their education is most marked, and I have had pleasure in frequently calling the attention of my friends to the fact.

The children all look clean, neat, healthy, cheerful, and never so happy as when in the society of their teacher, who seems then to forget that he is not a boy.

And now I must say a few words in reference to another department which has been assailed by this miserable and unprincipled fellow. I refer to the domestic department, to the rescue of which I am most happy to come.

The domestic arrangements of the house are entirely under the care and superintendance of Mrs. Woodbridge; and a more kind, affectionate and painstaking lady could not hold such a position. Every pupil seems to be her especial care. Their food is all prepared by her own hands, their clothing is always clean and comfortable, their appearance neat, and all have the cheerful look of contentment on their little faces. As they mix with the family a stranger could not discern that any difference was made between them. At Christmas and other festival seasons, they have the same privileges as other and more wealthy children. Their Christmas tree is loaded with presents for all, and every enjoyment provided that can make them feel at home and happy.

In closing this report, I wish to say, briefly, that the moral, spiritual, intellectual and physical conditions of these unfortunate children are under the care of a Christian gentleman, who treats them as he would desire to have his own treated. The domestic department has all the care that a refined, intellectual and Christian lady can bestow.

I have the honor to be,  
Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

T. CLWES BROWN.

March 5th, 1885.

## COLLECTIONS, SUBSCRIPTIONS, &amp;c.

## FREDERICTON.

Per Messrs. Jouett and Barnaby.

Alex. Gibson,	\$25 00	A. J. Gregory,	\$1 00
Lieut. Governor Wilmot,	10 00	Fred. B. Edgecombe,	1 00
A. F. Randolph,	10 00	D. Jordan,	1 00
Judge Weldon,	10 00	H. C. Rutter,	1 00
J. McDonald,	10 00	J. Phillips,	1 00
High Rev. Bishop Fredericton,	5 00	J. Edgecombe,	1 00
Chief Justice Allen,	5 00	Dr. Coburn,	1 00
Rev. G. Goodridge Roberts,	5 00	Alonzo Staples,	1 00
Andrew Inches,	5 00	John Moore,	1 00
G. E. Fenety,	5 00	Wm. Anderson,	1 00
C. Broderick,	5 00	C. J. R. Kerr,	1 00
J. E. Prest, Marysville,	5 00	R. Napier,	1 00
W. Everett,	5 00	T. G. Loggie,	1 00
G. T. Whelpley,	4 00	Yerxa & Yerxa,	1 00
Lemont & Sons,	4 00	T. C. Allen,	1 00
J. J. Weddall,	3 00	John Bebbington,	1 00
T. G. O'Connor,	2 00	Geo. Armstrong,	1 00
W. R. Logan,	2 00	Joseph Scarr,	1 00
Senator Wark,	2 00	A. P. LaForest,	1 00
Mrs. Campbell,	2 00	J. R. Howle,	1 00
G. Fred. Fisher,	2 00	Friend,	1 00
J. G. McNally,	2 00	J. W. Spurden,	2 00
A. F. Street,	2 00	G. C. Hunt,	1 00
A. J. Murray,	2 00	Thos. Stanger,	1 00
A Nova Scotian Graduate of the American Asylum,	2 00	H. L. Belyea,	1 00
Wetmore and Winslow,	2 00	M. A. Akerley,	1 00
A. D. Yerxa,	2 00	J. C. Risteen,	1 00
W. B. Coulthard,	1 00	John M. Taylor,	1 00
H. G. Estey,	1 00	Cooper & Pinder,	1 00
W. Lee Babbitt,	1 00	Geo. R. Parkin,	1 00
W. J. Crewdson,	1 00	W. Van Wart,	1 00
R. Davies,	1 00	M. Richey,	1 00
A. Lottimer,	1 00	J. Black,	1 00
J. R. Golding,	1 00	Wm. Crocket,	1 00
L. A. Jouett,	1 00	Henry Chestnut,	1 00
Dever Brothers,	1 00	P. C. Cliff,	1 00
M. Tennant,	1 00	Rev. A. J. Mowatt,	1 00
J. W. Colter,	1 00	S. Dayton,	1 00
Chas. L. Richards,	1 00	Moses Burpee,	1 00
Wm. H. Scully,	1 00	J. E. Simmons,	1 00
Cameron & McCarthy,	1 00	Eldon Mullin,	1 00
Geo. Gilman,	1 00	Rev. F. Alexander,	1 00
G. Hatt,	1 00	Risteen & Co.,	1 00
R. W. Jack,	1 00	Smaller sums,	18 15

## ST. JOHN.

Thomas McLellan,	\$20 00	John Wishart,	\$2 00
Manchester, Robertson & Allison,	15 00	W. B. Carvill,	2 00
Mr. and Mrs. Murray Kay,	15 00	Whittaker Brothers,	1 00
T. McAvity,	10 00	A Friend,	1 00
William L. Prince,	10 00	McCullough,	1 00
Henry Miller,	5 00		
C. F. Harman,	5 00		
George Whitney	5 00	Collected by Mr. W. O. Barnaby.	
T. R. Jones,	5 00	Turner & Finlay,	\$5 00
S. Hayward,	5 00	O. H. Warwick,	5 00
D. Breeze,	5 00	W. H. Thorne,	5 00
W. D. Troop,	5 00	E. Whittaker,	2 00
Tippet, Burditt & Co.,	5 00	The Misses Nicholson,	3 00
James Robertson,	5 00	G. O. Bent,	2 00
James Harris,	5 00	A. C. Jardine,	2 00
Harding & Hatheway,	5 00	Banker,	2 00
Scammel Brothers,	5 00	Robert Blair,	2 00
W. M. Robinson,	5 00	Alex. Rankine,	2 00
Thomas Furlong,	5 00	E. Fisher,	2 00
W. B. Robinson,	5 00	S. Holly,	2 00
E. & R. McLeod,	5 00	T. Finlay,	1 00
Wisdom & Fish,	5 00	F. M. Sipprell,	1 00
James Nichol & Son,	5 00	E. W. Elliot,	1 00
Hall & Fairweather,	5 00	H. S. Philips,	1 00
Briniston Starr,	5 00	Campbell Ellis,	1 00
C. Masters,	5 00	George Robertson,	1 00
W. W. Turnbull,	5 00	J. R. Cameron,	1 00
William Thomson,	5 00	W. Hawker,	1 00
Rev. Canon Brigstocke,	5 00	S. McDiarmid,	1 00
E. G. Dunn,	5 00	W. H. Merritt,	1 00
James Bullock,	3 00	J. R. Woodbury,	1 00
C. W. Fairweather,	2 00	G. K. Cochrane,	1 00
W. C. Drury,	2 00	W. Peters,	1 00
H. W. DeVeber,	2 00	W. J. McCordock,	1 00
G. E. Fairweather,	2 00	William Ricker,	1 00
Dr. Inches,	2 00	Smaller sums,	15 00

## BATHURST.

J. H. Mann,	\$1 00	S. J. Boddie,	\$1 00
James Wilbur,	1 00	W. H. Street,	1 00
W. R. Jonnson,	1 00	Amos Gallant,	1 00
James Hickson,	1 00	J. W. Givern,	1 00
E. D. Bussil,	1 00	Smaller sums,	17 90
Mrs. Feranson,	1 00		

## CHATHAM.

Mrs. S. J. Sweddie,	\$2 00	Mrs. C. E. Fish,	\$1 00
Mrs. F. J. Letsom,	1 00	S. Y. Mitchell,	1 00
Rev. D. Forsythe,	1 00	J. H. S. Sweet,	1 00
J. Sadler,	1 00	Mrs. William Park,	1 00
G. Stohart,	1 00	G. Brown,	1 00
W. Anderson,	1 00	Dr. Freeman,	1 00
Mrs. Loggie,	1 00	Mrs. James Miller,	1 00
John Lawlor,	1 00	Mrs. V. Burill,	1 00
Mrs. J. Mitchell,	1 00	E. Lee Street,	1 00
J. S. Fleming,	1 00	Mrs. B. Lowell,	1 00
Mr. McLellan,	1 00	D. Sutherland,	1 00
William Aitkin,	1 00	Edward Willister,	2 00
R. B. Haddow,	1 00	Smaller sums,	19 90

## NEWCASTLE, DOUGLASTOWN, ETC.

E. Hutchinson,	\$5 00	Thomas Haviland,	\$1 00
R. Hutchinson,	2 00	J. D. B. F. McKenzie,	1 00
W. & J. Anslow,	1 00	James Runder,	1 00
Rev. James Murray,	1 00	Smaller sums,	13 75
W. G. Russell,	1 00	Weidford, Williamstown, etc.	16 75

## GRAND FALLS, ANDOVER, ETC.

F. W. Brown,	\$2 00	J. R. Graham,	\$1 00
Milton Payton,	2 00	John R. Wade,	1 00
Alex. Straton,	1 00	J. J. O'Leary,	1 00
Dr. R. Wiley,	1 00	Rev. W. B. Armstrong,	1 00
S. P. Waiter,	1 00	J. F. Hodgson,	1 00
Rev. Leo. A. Hoyt,	1 00	Rev. A. K. King,	1 00
E. H. Foyt,	1 00	David J. W. Wiley, M. D.,	1 00
A. G. Burnham,	1 00	James A. Phillips,	1 00
A. J. Beveridge,	1 00	Edward Prey,	1 00
Miss G. F. Baird,	1 00	Smaller sums,	27 45

## ST. STEPHEN.

J. D. Chipman,	\$3 00	Stephen Harmon,	\$1 00
William Murray,	2 00	Rose Brothers,	1 00
J. T. Whitlock,	2 00	J. D. Andrews,	1 00
J. F. Grant,	2 00	E. R. Machum,	1 00
V. Bros.	2 00	W. H. Nichols,	1 00
H. F. Eaton,	2 00	J. B. Todd,	1 00
F. M. Murchie,	2 00	Geo. F. Todd,	2 00
T. E. Mitchell,	1 00	C. H. Clarke,	1 00
H. E. Surington,	1 00	Wallace Broad,	1 00
W. H. Clark,	1 00	Judge Steven,	1 00
A. McTearish,	1 00	Mrs. E. Duncan,	1 00
Phillip Breen,	1 00	John W. Vose,	1 00
W. F. Vroom,	1 00	A. Woodman,	1 00
J. M. Murchie,	1 00	S. W. Hitching,	1 00
J. Smith,	1 00	Rev. R. W. B. Thomas,	1 00
George McFarlane,	1 00	George Hill,	1 00
E. H. Smith,	1 00	Small sums,	14 00

## ST. ANDREWS.

G. S. Grimmer,	\$5 00	George Grimmer,	\$1 00
Robert Robinson,	1 00	Small sums,	4 00
B. R. Stevenson,	1 00		

## DEER ISLAND.

O. B. Emery,	\$1 00	Small sums,	\$8 60
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## CAMPOBELLO AND SILVER FALLS.

J. Calkin,	\$1 00	R. Lemond,	\$1 00
Howard Jackson,	1 00	Dr. Sturgis,	1 00
H. Y. H. Neales,	1 00	Small sums,	9 80

WESTMORLAND COUNTY.

Collected by A. J. Trenholm.

Petitcodiac and Salisbury,	\$2 45	Bristol,	\$1 50
Moncton,	10 94	Port Eigin,	2 50
Shediac,	6 45	Point de Bute,	8 00
Dorchester,	8 45	Baie de Verte,	4 26
Sackville,	5 45		

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Charlottetown,	\$10 00	Alberton,	\$7 00
Summerside,	8 00		

MAINE.

BANGOR.

E. S. Coe,	\$50 00
William McCrillis,	50 00
Mrs. H. E. Prentiss,	10 00
Henry M. Prentiss,	10 00
J. R. Elder,	1 00
Rev. Mr. Fisher (Brunswick),	2 00
J. H. Williams (Augusta),	10 00
Capt. John Patten (Bath),	20 00

W. B. Jordan,	\$1 00
S. Peters,	1 00
W. H. Saunders,	1 00
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LINCOLN.

Harrison Piper,	\$1 00
John Estes,	1 00
C. Fuller,	1 00
J. H. Irvine,	1 00
J. D. Muhrnan,	1 00
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PORTLAND.

H. R. Barnaby,	\$1 00
P. Taft,	1 00
J. B. Elliot,	1 00
M. B. Mullin,	1 00

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