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## ELEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

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The accounts for the past year, ending June 30th, 1889, have been duly audited, and are submitted with this report. They have been analysed and classified, and embodied in separate schedules; and in them, all the particulars of the receipts and disbursements of the Institution during the past year, and of its financial affairs generally, will be found.

The basement of the Institute Building has been fitted and completed for leasing purposes, comprising a serviceable hall for meetings, lectures, etc., and convenient rooms for other purposes adjoining it. Schedule V will show the cost of placing it in order, and its running expenses, apart from the Library itself. The general statement, Schedule I, shows that the rental derived from it during the past year, has been \$1226.25, which constitutes an annual revenue considerably larger than was ever previously received from it; and I trust it may be still further increased.

The revenue from the Farms is the same as heretofore.

The net revenue from the Fraser Buildings has been \$2457.00, which is a fraction larger than last year.

The current expenses of the Library have increased \$237.41 during the year. This increase is caused by the expense of a hall porter, and by a difference in the amount paid to the second assistant—amounting together to \$180.00,—and by some small additional disbursements. It is hoped, that in the future, it may not be necessary to make any further increase in this expenditure, until the financial condition of the Institute will permit of it, and an enlarged field of usefulness demands it.

The attendance at the Library for the past year, shows a fair increase, but the actual improvement in attendance is much greater than is apparent. By the appointment of a hall porter, the number of indigent or idle persons who previously visited the library for other purposes than literary occupation, has been largely diminished. And Schedule IV represents fairly the number of persons who attend the Library for the purpose of the legitimate use of its literary and artistic advantages.

A large addition was made to the Library in the autumn of last year, by the purchase of about 2500 volumes of books in London, mainly suitable for a circulating library. And a further purchase is contemplated during this autumn. It is also intended to supplement the French department by a number of new books, for which purpose a list is being prepared by a friend of the Institution, thoroughly familiar with modern French literature.

The friends of the Institute have continued, during the past year, their generous donations of books, a list of which is contained in Schedule VII. The Board have determined to publish a compendious catalogue of the entire books of the Institution, in pamphlet or bound form, for circulation, at cost price. This is a necessary preliminary to the effective opening of the circulating branch of the Library, and it is confidently expected to be ready for printing by the end of the present year; although it may be somewhat delayed if the intention of purchasing a large number of new books be carried out. The proposed catalogue will include French as well as English books. And in making the purchase of last autumn, and the list for the purchases of the coming season, the Board have endeavoured to include books mainly of Biography, History, Travels, General Literature and Popular Science, with a moderate addition of the best standard Fiction. The purchase of last autumn was made by the President in person, at very advantageous rates, and, with the intended addition of this autumn, will place the lending library department in an effective condition, as comprising a good selection, on an extensive scale, of standard and current literature of the best description.

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The Board have made an arrangement with the German Society of Montreal, for taking over a large collection of German books, which the Society have purchased for the use of their members. This collection, consisting of about one thousand volumes, is now commodiously placed in the Library, and the conditions made with the Society enable their books to be used by visitors to the Library, though not to be circulated as part of a lending library, except among the members of the Society itself.

The Board are extremely desirous of forming a complete collection of books having reference to Canada; and have made material progress in that direction. A large number of publications most interesting to students of Canadian History are out of print, and are largely held by individuals. And the Board would gratefully receive any of such publications that can be spared, with the view of accumulating a Library of universal reference on Canadian subjects.

The Institute has not yet been able to dispose of any part of its property, and consequently is obliged to conduct its affairs with the most rigid economy, and with a staff, which the Board fear will scarcely be sufficient, if the public makes any great use of the lending library. There is still a small balance on hand of the fund which generous friends of the Institution subscribed for the purchase of books, but a considerable portion of this will be absorbed by the purchases of English and French books, which is intended to be made in the autumn and winter. A large number of the books and periodicals in the Library, require binding or rebinding, which the Board cannot venture to do with its present income. Any assistance towards the continuance of the purchase of suitable books, and towards the binding and rebinding of those now in the Library requiring it, would be of much advantage to the Institute and to the public.

J. J. C. ABBOTT,  
*President.*

MONTREAL, JULY 10TH, 1889.

*Abstract of Receipts and Disbursements of the Fraser Institute for the Year ending June 30th, 1889.*

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand July 1st, 1888..... \$2,584.03  
 Revenue Account (see *Schedule I.*) ... .. 14,231.05  
 Donations (see *Schedule II.*) .....

DISBURSEMENTS.

Current Annual Expenses (see  
 Revenue Account, *Schedule I.*) .....

\$13,146.05



*Abstract of Receipts and Disbursements of the Fraser Institute for the Year ending June 30th, 1889.*

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand July 1st, 1888.....  
 Revenue Account (see *Schedule I*) ... ..  
 Donations (see *Schedule II*).....  
 Mercantile Library Association Fund, by  
 payments on Exchange Bank Stock

\$2,584.03  
 14,231.05  
 3,126.38  
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Current Annual Expenses (see  
 Revenue Account, *Schedule I*)  
*Furniture Account.*

\$13,146.95

For Library—  
 Card Catalogue.....\$86.50  
 Shelving and Lettering. 86.38  
 Tables, etc ..... 59.90  
 Miscellaneous .. .....16.55

For Fraser Buildings.—  
 Ladder, Stool, Tools, Pump,  
 Indicator, etc. .... 29.42

240.33

269.75

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2,986.76

*Library Account.*— New Books,  
 Magazines, Binding and Cartage  
*Fraser Buildings.*— Construction  
 Account (making total cost of  
 Buildings, exclusive of site =

62.09

\$66,704.27) .....  
*High School Property.*— Construction,  
 Furniture, and Repairs, etc.,  
 necessary to preparing ground  
 floor of Fraser Institute Building  
 for renting (see *Schedule V*) ....

2,302.36

Payment of call on Stock in Citi-  
 zens' Insurance Co. ....  
 Cash on hand June 30th, 1889 .....

850.00

516.06

\$20,133.97

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MONTREAL, Aug. 21st, 1889.

Audited and found correct.

P. S. ROSS, C. A.

**SCHEDULE I.**

*Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on General*

**RECEIPTS.**

RENTS : — Fraser Buildings.....		\$9,119.16
High School Property.....		
The Hospital.....	912.99	
Institute Building, Rents :—		
Hall and adjoining rooms... ..	1,012.00	
Societies meeting in Institute	214.25	
	<u>1,226.25</u>	
King's Post Farm.....		2,139.24
Knox Farm.....		1,413.00
McMartin Farm.....		1,200.00
Dividends on Stock in Citizens' Insurance Co.		250.00
Interest on account in Molsons Bank.....		56.88
Repayment of expenses incurred in former		45.07
years.....		27.70

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## SCHEDULE I.

Revenue Account for the year ending June 30th, 1889.

## DISBURSEMENTS.

<i>The Institute.</i>		
Annual expenses (see <i>Schedule III.</i> ) .....		\$3,018.81
<i>High School Property.</i>		
Interest on unpaid balance of purchase price:—		
To G. T. Ry. Superannuation Fund....	635.24	
" L. J. Seargeant.....	420.00	
" Hon. J. J. C. Abbott.....	339.40	
Strong's Hospital, insurance upon .....	25.00	
" " repairs to .....	22.00	
Running Expenses of Ground Floor of the Institute Building (see <i>Schedule V.</i> ) .....	500.08	
	<hr/>	1,941.72
<i>King's Post Farm.</i>		
Interest on mortgage held by Mrs. Buckland.....		126.00
<i>Knox Farm.</i>		
Interest on mortgage held by Rev. James Green .		200.00
<i>Fraser Buildings.</i>		
Interest on mortgage held by Robert Hamilton....	2,750.00	
Insurance upon Buildings.....	237.49	
do. Rent .....	40.87	
Current Annual Expenses (see <i>Schedule VI.</i> )....	3,633.80	
	<hr/>	6,662.16
<i>Annuity to Alex. Fraser</i> .....		1,000.00
<i>Current Expenses.</i>		
Stationery.....	72.13	
Printing.....	59.75	
Auditor's Fee for 1888.....	25.00	
Half year's rent of telephone .....	15.32	
Legal .....	5.50	
Copying and advertising.....	11.32	
Postage .....	3.94	
Miscellaneous small charges.....	5.30	
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Balance.....		\$13,146.95
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Audited and found correct.		\$14,251.05

PHILIP S. ROSS, C. A.

MONTREAL, August 21st, 1889.

## SCHEDULE II.

*Statement of Subscriptions to the Fraser Institute.*

J. H. R. Molson .....	\$13,000.00	
Hon. J. J. C. Abbott .....	4,000.00	
R. B. Angus .....	2,000.00	
Hon Justice Torrance .....	1,000.00	
Peter Redpath .....	1,000.00	
Hugh McLennan .....	1,000.00	
W. C. McDonald .....	1,000.00	
T. Workman .....	1,000.00	
D. McIntyre .....	1,000.00	
Sir D. A. Smith .....	250.00	
W. B. Cummings .....	250.00	
O. S. Wood .....	250.00	
Geo. Hague .....	250.00	
Andrew Allan .....	50.00	
G. W. Hamilton .....		
		\$27,050 00
1888-89.		
J. H. R. Molson .....	3,000.00	
Anon .....	126.38	
		3,126.38
		\$30,176.38

## SCHEDULE III.

*Statement of the current Annual Expenses of the  
Institute for the year ending June 30th. 1889.*

Salary of Librarian .....	\$800 00
“ Assistant, No. 1 .....	300.00
“ “ No. 2 .....	240 00
“ Caretaker .....	360.00
“ Hall Porter .....	120.00
Taxes .....	206 70
Gas .....	443 90
Heating .....	200.00
Cleaning, charing, and removing snow .....	98.63
Repairs and restoration of matting, etc .....	114.56
Expenses connected with Mackay pictures .....	20.00
Miscellaneous payments, Institut Canadien .....	1.00
Printing forms for Library use .....	14.50
Miscellaneous .....	39.52
	\$3,018.81

## SCHEDULE IV.

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*Abstract of Attendance at the Library for the year  
ending June 30th, 1889.*

	MORNING.	AFT.	EVE'G.	DAY
Actual attendance during the past year.....	7,686	16,911	8,110	32,707
Number of times open.....	341	341	296	341
Average attendance per diem.....	23	50	27	96

(2)

*Comparison of Attendance during the ten months  
ending June, 30th.*

		MORN.	AFT.	EVE'G.	DAY
Average attendance per diem.....	1886-7.	21	46	17	84
" " ".....	1887-8.	26	49	22	97
" " ".....	1888-9.	23	52	27	102

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*Comparative Statistics of Attendance per month  
during last year.*

Average daily attendance.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
Largest.....	March = 30.	March = 73.	March = 35.
Smallest.....	May & June = 18.	July = 28.	Sept. = 21.

N. B.—In comparing the different figures above given, it should be borne in mind that the Library is closed in the evening during the months of July and August.

## SCHEDULE V.

*The Fraser Institute Building—Basement Story.*

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## CONSTRUCTION, REPAIRS AND FURNITURE.

Garth & Co., for plumbing .....	\$1,607.46
McCrane & Watson, " .....	12.97
Dubrulle, for carpentering, etc .....	542.05
King, for chairs .....	70.00
Poirier & Arcand, for painting .....	64.20
Other small payments .....	5.68
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	\$2,302.36

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## RUNNING EXPENSES.

Heating .....	\$327.24
Lighting .....	77.10
Share of Corporation Taxes .....	69.80
Cleaning and Charing .....	23.44
Miscellaneous .....	2.50
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	\$500.08

## SCHEDULE VI.

*Statement of Current Annual Expenses of the Fraser Buildings. for the year ending June 30th, 1889.*

Salary of Caretaker and Elevator man .....	\$426.00
Gas .....	258.90
Water Rates .....	6.50
City Taxes .....	698.40
Heating .....	714.28
Water Power for Elevator .....	1,164.40
Miscellaneous expenses and repairs of Elevator .....	45.40
Putting on and taking off double windows .....	49.00
Repairs caused by wear and tear .....	
Carpentering .....	33.25
Plumbing .....	92.79
Plastering .....	91.14
Blacksmiths .....	8.85
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Printing Circulars .....	5.50
Miscellaneous expenses .....	39.39
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	\$3,633.80

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## SCHEDULE VII.

*List of Donations of Books for the Year ending  
June 30th, 1889.*

	VOLS.
ABBOTT, HON. J. J. C.....	8
ALLAN, JAMES.....	1
ARTHY, E. W.....	1
ARCHIVES DEPT., OTTAWA.....	2
ANON.....	52
BADEBACH, T.....	95
BEAUGRAND, H.....	2
BOND, W. P. J.....	4
BOODLE, R. W.....	37
BRYDGES, MATTHEW.....	1
COCKBURN, MR.....	1
CITY OF MONTREAL.....	1
DAWSON, C. F.....	6
DAWSON, DR. G. M.....	1
EVANS, W. N.....	36
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, OTTAWA.....	3
GILCHRIST, MR.....	5
GREENSHIELDS, MRS. J.....	46
HUNT, DR. T. S.....	300
IRISH LOYAL AND PATRIOTIC UNION.....	1
KAY, ESTATE GEO.....	96
KITTSO, REV. H.....	117
LARBAU, EDW.....	2
MOLSON, J. H. R.....	36
MONTREAL BOOK CLUB.....	84
MACOUN, J.....	5
MCLENNAN, FRANCIS.....	12
PAGNUELO, JUDGE.....	2
PAPINEAU, C. F.....	23
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SLADEN, D. B. ....		5
STEVENS, G. W. ....		1
STEVENS, ROMEO H. ....		18
ST. JAMES CLUB. ....		52
TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY. ....		1
WALKER, MR. ....		1
WATT, D. A. P. ....		4
	Total,	<u>1,073</u>

The Governors of the Fraser Institute take this opportunity to thank Mrs. J. J. Redpath, and the *Witness* of this city, for several sets of magazines unbound; as well as the Toronto and Boston Public Libraries, and the Library of Parliament at Ottawa, for numerous documents and circulars; also the proprietors of the following newspapers and periodicals for free copies:—

Gazette, Herald, Montreal Medical Journal, Canada Medical Record, University Gazette, Astronomy and Meteorology, Journal d'Agriculture, Canadian Trade Review, Canadian Church Magazine, Canadian Record of Science, Real Estate Record, Book Buyer, Dominion Grocer, Canadian Journal of Fabrics (Montreal).

Merchant, Canadian Advance, Canadian Horticulturist (Toronto) Canadian Bibliographer, Canadian Church Magazine, and Mission News (Hamilton). Philanthropist, Carpenter and Joiner (New York). Journal of Science and Art (Cleveland, O.)

Church Missionary Intelligencer, Jewish Intelligence, Tonic-Sol-Fa Reporter, Imperial Federation, Vegetarian Messenger, Englishwoman's Review, India's Women (London, Eng.)



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