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Assisted by other Ladies.

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Surgeon.

DR. SLAYTER.

Dentist.

C. E. PUTTNER.

Superintendent.

MR. ABNER HART.

REPORT

OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE HALIFAX PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, FOR 1879.

The Committee of the Industrial School have much pleasure in again presenting their Annual Report.

In reviewing the operations for the year just expired, and its results, they feel that they have much reason to thank God, and take courage.

WORK DONE.

During the year, 12 boys have been received into the Home. Ten of these are from the city, while two are from other sources. During the same period, ten have left, their indentures having expired; thus giving us 42 boys in all in the institution during the twelve months.

In the Industrial Department, where, of necessity the boys spend the greater part of their time, it will be interesting to the subscribers and friends to know that we have every reason to be satisfied with our returns, financially and otherwise.

OUR FUNDS.

Thus as our account truly shows, while our expenditure for the year has been \$4.003 yet our receipts are from the boys work alone in fire wood	\$267.75
In cleaning carpets	118.95
Labour in the Shoe Shop.	616.46
Making in all from the boy's industry	1,003.16
From guarantees, we receive	500.00
While the City gives us for boys taken charge of, fed, clothed, housed and educated	790.00
Thus making from these two services	2,293.16
Our donations or subscriptions for the same period amount to only	979.34

By comparing previous reports with this it will be thus seen that our donations exhibit a considerable falling off. This, we are happy to be assured, arises not from want of interest in the Institution, much less from want of confidence, but wholly from the depression of the times. This, of course, is a matter beyond our charge, but while trusting that every man gives according to his ability, we take this opportunity of again pressing upon its supporters the strong and urgent claims of this School. To curtail its income will be only to cripple its usefulness, and that means inevitable ruin to many a youth who otherwise would be under the blessing of God, at least a useful citizen. This, the Committee suggests, is well worthy of a much larger expenditure than that shown in this sheet. With regard to our outlay, the Committee feel that under Mr. Hart's careful management it has reached so low a figure that we cannot look for much reduction there. Each boy costs at present for his living only \$128 per year, while the average of each meal is a fraction less than 3 cents; so that taking into account the earnings of the lads alone, with the guarantees accompanying them, the amount additional for the support of each is \$40. This we raise at present by donations.

Whilst speaking of our funds it is only necessary to add that from the reduction in subscriptions the year's account closed with a deficit of \$331. By a spirited canvass since that time, however, the Committee are happy to state that the whole amount is now paid up, so that we begin the New Year clear of all encumbrance.

REPAIRS.

In the way of repairs there is nothing to be noticed, except the displacement of the old engine and boiler by one entirely new; although somewhat smaller in dimension and of less power. The new one, however, is sufficient for all purposes for which it is required, and has the advantage that the exchange involved no new expenditure.

CHRISTMAS.

We turn to a more joyous scene, and one to which these young folks look forward with much interest, as one of their

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holidays, and the season brought its wanted supply, and was enjoyed with its wanted zest. We quote from the **MORNING HERALD** of the time :—

“The School room, where dinner was served, was neatly and tastefully decorated with evergreens, coloured paper, flags, maps, mottoes and pictures, the whole work of the boys. Among others present to help the boys enjoy their dinner, were Messrs. P. C. Hill, Wm. H. Neal, E. D. Meynell, J. M. DeWolf, and Major Mainguy, R. E., of the Committee; Hon. Senator Archibald, Dr. Dashwood and R. G. Halls, Mrs. W. H. Neal and two sons also favored the boys with their presence.

“The Christmas gifts to the Institution were, viz : Messrs. Moir, Son & Co., 1 box biscuits; Messrs. Hesslein & Sons, 3 geese; Dr. Dashwood, 3 prize books, illustrated papers, 24 lbs. beef, 4 dozen oranges; A. A. Bliss, cash \$10, for the boys working in the shoe shop — to some \$1 each, others 50c. and 25c. each : W. H. Neal, E. D. Meynell, and P. C. Hill, each gave \$1.50 for the boys not working in the shoe shop, giving each boy 30c. and Mr. Maclean gave sufficient to make those receiving 25c. each from Mr. Bliss to receive 40c. each.

“The tables were well served with goose, beef, plum-pudding, and apple and mince pie, to which 32 boys, who all appeared hearty, did ample justice. After dinner, the boys sung, led by Mr. Hall at the organ. ‘Yield Not to Temptation’ and ‘Whosoever Will.’ The Chairman, Mr. P. C. Hill, addressed the boys, advising them to take the ‘right turning,’ and then called upon Dr. Dashwood to present the prizes he had so kindly given. After a very neat speech, the Doctor presented James Hubly with a beautiful book, for having made the greatest improvement in morals, &c., during the year; Wm. Floyd with another book, for being the best boy in the School, and Henry Cave, with still another book, for being the second best boy. The Doctor also promised three prizes for next Christmas, as he had given this. Major Mainguy and others also spoke.”

RESULTS.

In looking for permanent results, we must take a broader survey than the labours of any one year. But should the Institution be doing that work for which it was established, it is only reasonable to suppose that among the incidents of daily life some good points should make themselves apparent. And we rejoice to know that we are not without many such evidences of good done. The Committee feel, however, that much better and more valuable returns could be had were some organized and established effort made to follow the lads throughout their subsequent history, as far as possible, and preserve these as part of the historical records of the School.

Incidentally then, these lads are found doing well and holding useful situations, more ordinarily, they are in the quieter apartments of life, making an honest livelihood by the handicrafts they have been taught. Some are Stewards on board of steamers, sailing from our port. Some are manning and others are mates, on board of our merchant ships. One we believe has adopted the profession of the stage, but on it, by his sobriety and talent he holds a high place. We might have desired to see him in a more useful and practical department, but as we are only recording facts we place this with the others. Others are employed in the workshops of the institution. Perhaps the greatest trophy of all is that instance in which one lad, taken from apparent ruin, and placed under the careful and christian training of the School, has first been able to rejoice in a Saviour found, and having educated himself for the ministry, is now, the Committee rejoice to learn, a successful ambassador of the Lord Jesus Christ. Such a result as that, were it the only one, goes far to compensate us and our friends for all the means expended, and the labor taken, for the youths who have been placed under our care. Other instances have come to our observation, but these will suffice.

The Committee regret to report the death of one of their number, the Hon. Jeremiah Northup, for many years a steady friend and supporter of the institution, as well as a wise counsellor in the management of its affairs as entrusted to the Board.

THANKS.

We again record our gratitude to Dr. Slayter, Mr. Puttner and H. A. Taylor, for their gratuitous services, as well as to the Hon. T. D. Archibald for his annual gift of 10 chaldrons coal. We recognize as well the great pains taken by Mr. G. S. Halls, in the department committed to his care, and in which he has labored most assiduously.

CONCLUSION.

In concluding their Report the Committee again commend, with renewed confidence, this Institution in all its departments of science and instruction, and with its varied results, to the hearty support and sympathy of a Christian public. To save

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these lads from crime and shame, to place them within the reach of sound training, wholesome discipline, as well as moral religious and intellectual culture, is an object worthy of the most self-denying effort. This year we hope to provide all the funds needed for its full and efficient maintenance. Above all, we commend it to the God of all grace, who is able to do for us and for it; far more abundantly above all we ask, above all we think. The committee has met regularly once every week during the year.

THE following persons and Corporations guarantee the payment of \$60 or \$40 each per annum, for the Board of a Boy,

Hon P. C. Hill.....	1
St. Mathew's Sabbath School.....	1
St. Paul's Sabbath School.....	1
Jubilee Sewing Circle.....	1
Mrs. Edward Binney.....	1
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.....	1
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	1
G. H. Starr, Esq.....	1
Late A. K. Doull's Legacy.....	3
City of Halifax.....	16
Miss Lawson.....	1
T. A. Ritchie, Esq.....	1
Without guarantee.....	1
Captain Thos. McDonald.....	1

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Hon. P. C. Hill.....	40 00
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	40 00
Mrs. Edward Binney.....	80 00
St. Matthew's Church S. S.....	60 00
Bishop Binney.....	40 00
Jubilee Sewing Circle.....	40 00
G. H. Starr.....	40 00
St. Paul's S. School.....	40 00
Heartz, Rev. W. H.....	40 00
Ritchie T. A.....	40 00
McDonald, Capt. Thomas.....	40 00
City of Halifax.....	790 00

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- Major Mainagy—Illustrated Papers.
- Moir, Son & Co.—1 Box Biscuit for Pic-Nic.—1 Box Biscuits for Christmas.—5 lbs. Confectionery for New Years.
- Richard Currie—Meat for Pic-Nic.—Meat for New Years.
- J. M. DeWolf—1 Veal Calf.
- Dr. Dashwood—24 lbs. Beef for Christmas—4 doz. Oranges for Christmas.—3 Prize Books—Illustrated Papers.
- M. Heslein—3 Geese for Christmas
- C. & W. Anderson—5 lbs. Nuts for New Years.
- A. A. Bliss—Cash \$10.00 for Shoe Shop boys at Christmas
- W. H. Neil, E. D. Meynell, P. C. Hill, J. S. Maclean—\$1.50 each \$6.00 for boys out of Shoe Shop.
- James Bowes & Sons—150 Reports for 1879.

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Almon, M. B.	2.00	Harrington, W. D.....	5.00
A Lady, per P. C. H.....	2.00	Haliburton, J. C.....	20.00
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Brookfield, S. M.....	20.00	Mott, J. P.	15.00
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Cogswell, H. C.	25.00	Neal, W. H.	5.00
Coleman, W. J.	2.00	Northup, Hon. J.....	20.00
Clarke, N.	5.00	Parker, Hon. Dr. D. McN.	20.00
Clarke, H. Y.	2.00	Payzant, J. Y.	2.00
Cogswell, Miss S. A.	10.00	Paint, H. N.	2.00
Cornelius, J.	1.00	Pickford & Black.....	4.00
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Cogswell, Miss E. (Engl'd)	40.00	Rent, Geo.	2.84
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Davison, J.50	Ritchie, T. A.	30.00
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A. McKinlay	10 00
Friend	12 00
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W. M. Harrington	4 00
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Rodrirk MacDonald	10 00
Rev S. F. Huestis	5 00
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Friend	4 00
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J. Doull	20 00
J. Smith	5 00
W. Lawson	5 00
R. I. Hart	20 00
Esson Bros	2 00
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J Hicks (sub. 1879)	10 00
A. Hart (cash from sales 1879)	20 00
S. M. Brookfield	20 00
Robert Boak	25 00

