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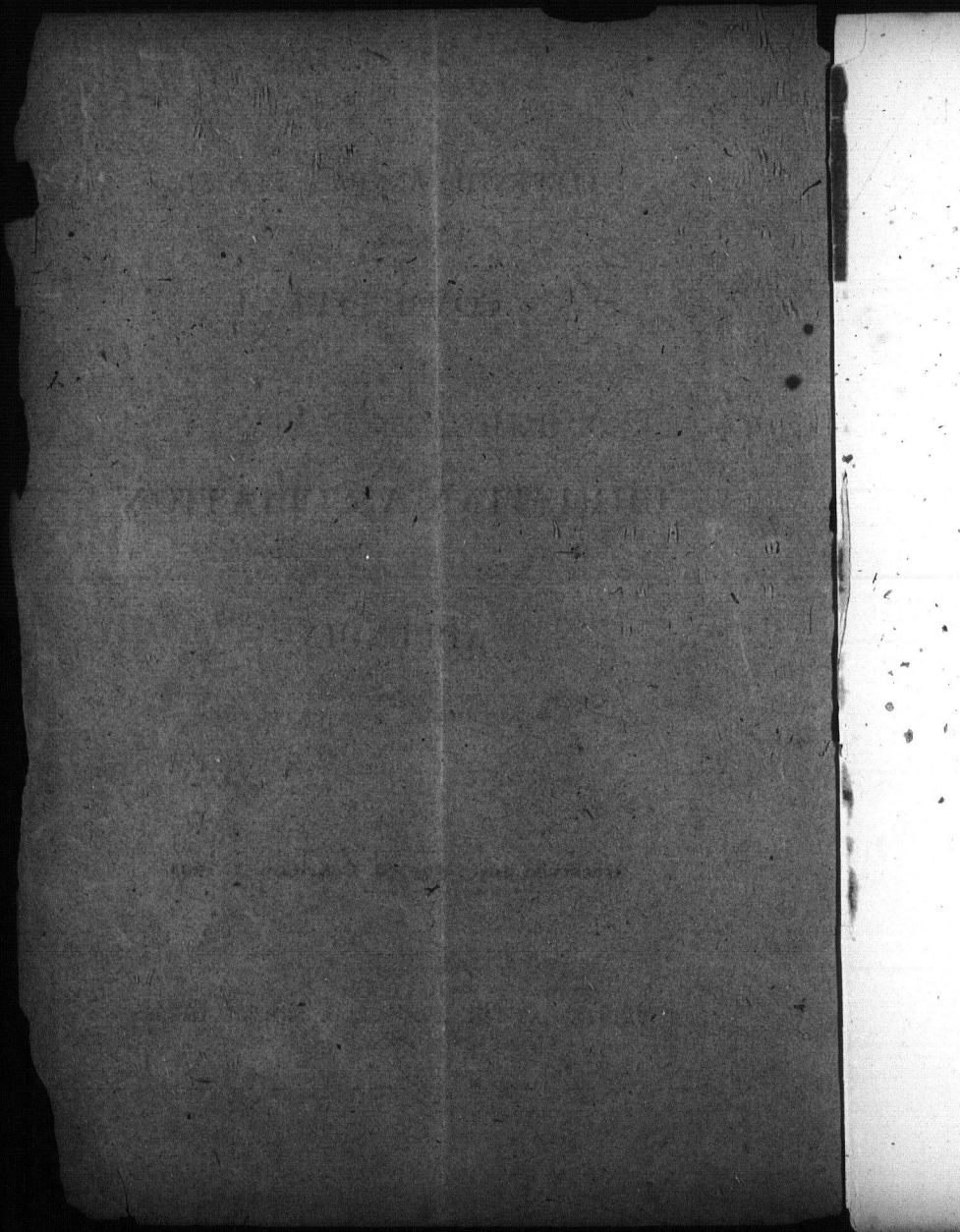
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REPORT.

The Committee of the YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION beg respectfully to present the Eleventh Annual Report embracing proceedings during the past nine months.

Immediately after their election, they met together and consulted as to the best method of conducting the affairs of the Association for the remaining nine months of official connection with it. And finding your Committee so large they deemed it expedient to organize in separate sections, each having charge of a distinct department of the Association's operations, the Chairman of each Committee to report to the General Committee quarterly.

In accordance with this arrangement four Committee's were elected each to concentrate its energies upon the different departments of Christian effort as follows :—

The Lecture and Bible Class Committee have been called together fortnightly during the past few months, and they have been enabled to secure a series of Lectures not inferior to any yet delivered, a list of which, to the end of the year, is herewith submitted. The course this winter was inaugurated by a Prayer Meeting held in the Grafton Street Church. The Rev. Mr. Geddie the returned Missionary from the Southern Polynesia addressed the meeting at great length on the subject of his mission. The address was listened to with marked attention, and your Committee would convey its thanks to all those who took part in the proceedings. They trust the course has not been without its beneficial influence and they return thanks to those who

so kindly consented to occupy the lecturers' stand. The Bible Class is also under the charge of the Lecture Committee and they report marked improvement in the attendance.

The Room and Library Committee have often met, and having by authority and with the consent of the General Committee made arrangements for the occupancy of a large and elegant building in Hollis Street, they have fitted up a comfortable suite of rooms consisting of library, reading, and committee rooms, with all the other necessary accommodations, the rooms have been neatly and tastefully furnished, accounts of which are herewith submitted. The rent of this building is considerably in excess of the premises formerly occupied, but this will be much reduced by sub-letting to other institutions and individuals.

At the time of their removal the Library Committee directed an advertisement to be inserted in the newspapers requesting the return of all books held by members and subscribers.

At a recent Special meeting of the Association it was unanimously agreed that each member then present should make a donation of, at least one book to the Library. The Committee tender thanks to those who have liberally responded to this resolution. After the election of office bearers for the present year it is contemplated to make a considerable addition to the books on the shelves.

The Finance Committee have had several meetings. At your last Annual Meeting it will be remembered that an accumulation of debts rested upon the Association, which were promptly liquidated by a special contribution. The Finance Committee have been enabled to present the claims of the Association to the public in such a manner

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as has secured a permanent annual subscription quite adequate to make it self sustaining.

By an alteration in the Constitution all young men of good moral character are admitted to the privileges of full membership by the payment of a nominal fee of one dollar.

It would not be inappropriate at this stage of your history to review the past. With all due modesty your committee feel that the community are indebted to this Association for sources of moral and intellectual instruction, and that they have laid parents and guardians of young men coming to the city, under obligations by providing a comfortable retreat where their evenings may be spent pleasantly and profitably.

But to young men themselves we would appeal as the most deeply indebted to this institution. For eleven years earnest prayer, especially at the Saturday evening Bible Class, has been presented on their behalf and the kind word and heartfelt sympathy have ever been extended to them, and thank God their efforts have not been unsuccessful as letters now in the hands of your committee from young men in various parts of the globe acknowledging a debt of gratitude to this Association, abundantly testify.

Your Committee have decided upon the formation of Classes for Drawing, Singing, Languages, Accounts, &c., for such members of the Association as may be disposed to avail themselves of the Class Room and other facilities. Your Committee trust that the state of their finances may justify them in affording some pecuniary aid in carrying out the proposed plan. The Christian public are invited to assist in this most desirable branch of the Association's operations by presenting Class Books on any subjects of study which they may have beside them.

In conclusion we would urge upon our successors in-

creased activity in this good work, additional committees might yet be organized, one for the visiting of the sick, one for visiting hospitals and jails, one for boarding ships in harbour and distributing tracts and religious papers.

With the earnest prayer that the present year may witness increased success in the operations of the Association your Committee beg to submit the foregoing report,

CONSTITUTION

*Revised and Amended at a Special Meeting called for that purpose
November 28, 1864.*

ARTICLE I.

That this Association be called the "HALIFAX YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION."

ARTICLE II.

That the objects of this Association shall be

1st.—The improvement of the spiritual and mental condition of Young Men.

2nd.—The formation of a Christian Library and Reading Room.

3rd.—Rooms and accommodation for Bible Classes and Social Prayer Meetings.

4th.—Courses of Lectures on Religious subjects, as well as Secular having reference to religion, and the employment of every other available means whereby the increase of vital religion may be promoted.

ARTICLE III

As it is the highest object of this Association to promote vital religion among the Young Men residing in the city any person of good moral character may be a Member of this Association by the payment of not less than *One Dollar* annually. He shall be entitled to all the privileges of the institution provided he be proposed by a member of the Association at one of its meetings, and shall be elected by ballot by the General Committee after satisfactory enquiry as to his eligibility. But no person shall be eligible to serve on a Committee, or be an office bearer of the Association who is not a member in good standing in one of the Evangelical Churches.

ARTICLE IV.

Any Members on the payment of £10 at any one time, may become a Life Member.

ARTICLE V.

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, a Treasurer, Librarian, and a General Committee, comprising as far as possible members of each evangelical denomination all of whom shall be chosen annually by ballot.

ARTICLE VI.

It is the duty of the President, or one of the Vice-Presidents, to preside at all public meetings of the Association.

It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to notify the members of the time and place of meeting, attend the same, to notify all Officers of their election, and to keep a fair and complete record of the transactions of the Association.

The Corresponding Secretary shall be the organ of the Association in its conference with other societies, and shall retain copies of all letters written by him.

The Treasurer shall collect and pay all monies of the Association under direction of the Committee, shall keep a correct account of the same, and shall report, whenever required to do so, to the Committee, and to the Association at least once a year.

It shall be the duty of the Librarian to keep in order all books and documents of the Association, to keep a correct catalogue of the same, and an account of all books delivered to all members.

It shall be the duty of the Committee to manage all the affairs of the Association, to make Bye-Laws, appoint Special Committees, decide on all applications for membership, appoint a Recording Secretary and Librarian, and take whatever steps may be necessary for the promotion of the objects of the Association.

ARTICLE VII.

That all the meetings of the Association and Committee shall be opened and closed with prayer.

ARTICLE VIII.

That the Committee possesses the power to suspend or exclude any member whose conduct may be found inconsistent with the character of the Association.

ARTICLE IX.

That no article of the Constitution be altered or amended or in any way dispensed with except six months notice in writing thereof be given and then only if recommended by a majority of the Committee, and by a two-third vote of the members of the Association at a meeting called for the purpose, regular notice having been given at least two weeks previously.

ELEVENTH COURSE OF LECTURES

DELIVERED BEFORE THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION
DURING THE WINTER SESSION OF 1863-4.

1. Introductory Lecture, by Hon. S. L. SHANNON.
2. The Dawn of the Reformation, by Rev. G. M. GRANT.
3. The English Reformation, by Rev. J. LATHERN.
4. Edward VI, his character and connection with the Reformation, by Rev. T. CRISP.
5. Anselm and his times, by Rev. PROFESSOR HENSLEY.
6. Recollections of Half a Century, by Rev. J. C. COCHRAN.
7. Methods of Success, by Rev. E. ROSS.
8. Switzerland, Calvin and Zwingle, by Rev. Dr. CRAMP.

TWELFTH COURSE

DELIVERED DURING THE WINTER SESSION OF 1864-5.

1. Pedestrian Tour in the Isle of Wight, by Rev. G. W. HILL.
2. Britain, secret of her greatness, by G. R. ANDERSON Esq.
3. James Montgomery and Religious Poetry, by Rev. SIMON MCGREGOR.
4. Character, its value and influence, by Rev. J. JOPLIN.
5. Havelock's Last Campaign, by Rev. J. LATHERN.
6. A Happy Life, by Rev. PRINCIPAL ROSS, D.D.
7. Chemistry, with experiments, by Pro. LAWSON, L.L.D.
8. Early Jewish History, from the Migration or call of Abraham to the Exodus, by MAJOR DE HAVILLAND.

D. HALIFAX YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION in account with TREASURER. Cr.

1864.	April	To Balance	\$ 5 90
		" Paid Jas. Fingaret 3 quart. salary	328 00
		" Periodicals	23 85
		" Rent to South December	75 00
		" Gas	88 50
		" Printing Hymns	4 50
		" Reports	9 85
		" Stationary	9 70
		" Fuel, Postage, &c.	14 42
		" Mitchell selling tickets	5 00
		" Man receiving tickets	1 00
		" Travelling expenses, Lecturers	9 00
		" Repairing Windows & Locks	4 10
		" Balance	13 25
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1864.	Jan.	By Special Donations	\$266 00
		" Subscriptions	73 00
		" Donation Edwd. Jimney	\$30
		" Wm. Miller	20
		" A. K. Doall	10
		" Rev. Mr. Miner	4
		" Mrs. Miner	4
		" Proceeds of Lectures	58 00
		" Cash received for Stove and Gasfittings	102 68
		" Sale of Newspapers	14 00
			9 39
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1865.	Jan.	By Balance	13 25

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January 1865.
S. H. BLACK.
Treasurer.



LIBRARY AND NEWS ROOM,

OPEN EVERY DAY FROM 10 O'CLOCK a. m. to 10 p. m.

183, Hollis Street.

LECTURES

EVERY ALTERNATE TUESDAY DURING WINTER,

At Temperance Hall, at 7 1-2 o'clock.

PRAYER MEETING OR BIBLE CLASS,

EVERY SATURDAY EVENING AT 8 O'CLOCK.

THE GENERAL COMMITTEE

MEETS QUARTERLY.

STANDING COMMITTEES

MEET WEEKLY.

**CLASSES FOR SECULAR BRANCHES OF INSTRUCTION
ARE IN COURSE OF FORMATION.**

Halifax City Mission, Halifax Industrial School, and
other benevolent Societies, hold their Meetings in the
rooms of the Association.