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THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

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MONTREAL,

YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1883.



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REV. L. N. BEAUDRY.

Assistant Instructor:

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SUSTENTATION FUND.

The undersigned hereby promise to pay to the Treasurer of the said Institute for its maintenance, the amounts set opposite their respective names annually, in two instalments, namely, one half on or before the 1st day of October, and the remainder on or before the 1st day of February in each session. The obligation to be terminated by the closing of the Institute in the City of Montreal, or by six months' notice of termination given by a subscriber to the Treasurer.

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This Fund is practically equivalent for current expenses to an endowment of \$16,000. It is terminable at the pleasure of the benefactors, and is a form of foundation preferred by many to a Vested Endowment.

The above amount of \$956 has been secured without much direct effort, and it is hoped that before long it will be materially increased. Friends of the cause are respectfully requested to authorize the Treasurer to insert their names in this list.

Address, Rev. W. I. SHAW, A. M.,
162 Mansfield Street,
MONTREAL.

ORIGIN AND OBJECTS OF THE INSTITUTE.

The necessity for the employment of an educational agency in connection with the work of French Evangelization in the Methodist Church of Canada has long been recognized by both ministry and laity. With so many enterprises before our people, claiming their sympathy and support, this most important interest has been almost entirely neglected, and it is feared *it would be neglected much longer if we had to wait for costly buildings and large endowments before anything should be done.* Accordingly, in the Autumn of 1879, the Montreal Advisory Committee for French Missions decided upon memorializing the Montreal Conference to secure the aid of that body in initiating a scheme for founding a French Institute in Montreal. The Conference, with full recognition of the importance of the proposal, at its session in Stanstead, in June, 1880, unanimously endorsed the scheme, and recommended that the Central Board of Missions should appropriate to it the sum of \$1,000. The Missionary Board met in Montreal, October, 1880, and made a grant of \$500, at the same time shewing a disposition to deal more liberally if the state of the Missionary treasury would warrant their doing so. To afford a guarantee, both to themselves and to the church at large, for the proper carrying out of the scheme, they constituted a Board of Directors, which proceeded at once to organize for work, appointing Rev. L. N. Beaudry Principal, and completing the arrangements which he, indeed, had previously initiated for giving practical effect to the scheme. The Trustees of the First French Methodist Church readily consented to the occupancy, by the Institute, of their Bible House, No. 429 Craig Street, next to the Church.

The attendance and the number of applications for admission the first session were such as to shew that, to meet the demands of the work, there must be increased accommodation. Accordingly the Directors determined upon so improving the premises as to give accommodation for five more students, thus increasing the capacity for boarders from 15 to that of 20.

The educational objects in view are similar to those of other Missionary Institutions in the Province, viz : First, the training of Missionaries ; Second, the education of French Canadians, especially converts from Romanism ; and Third, general educational work in French, provided it does not interfere with the other two objects. None are admitted but young men of the age of 14 years and over.

At the Session of the Montreal Conference held in the year 1882, after a full consideration of the interests and work of the Institute, it was recommended that, "on the completion of the buildings of the Wesleyan Theological College, steps should be taken for the accommodation therein of all French students who give substantial evidence of fitness for our work, and that an additional Instructor be employed, who shall be responsible, with the other Professors of the College, for the thorough training of such students in the French language." The Directors of the Institute having considered the above recommendations, have resolved to give effect to them as far as their funds will allow, and to send to the Theological College, from the Institute, as a Primary Department, such students as "give substantial evidence of fitness for Missionary work."

THE PRINCIPAL'S REPORT FOR 1882-83.

In presenting to the public our Third Annual Report, we are happy to be able to say that the high hopes we entertained at the inauguration of this educational movement have in no degree been disappointed. The Institute is becoming better known, and its reputation steadily extending. By making use of the basement of our Church for our Study and Recitation Room, the accommodations of our building were somewhat increased. Our work is, however, somewhat incommoded by the presence of the Primary School in the same room. But, for the present, this cannot be avoided.

It is hoped that the practical affiliation of the Institute with the Wesleyan College will be a great stimulus, especially to those young men who, like one of old, are compelled to say: "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the Gospel."

The curriculum of study is adapted to the needs of the students, and is more practical than ornate, securing to every one a solid education. The Bible continues to be our standard class-book, and our students are becoming strongly entrenched in its Divine doctrine. Many of them appreciate the saying of John: "I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the Word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one."

The average attendance during the past year has been somewhat in excess of any previous year. The total attendance has been 30.

Prof. Cornu, the Rev. Frederic W. Crowle, B.A., and Ovide Vien have been our industrious assistants.

The prospect for the coming year widens and brightens. A kind Providence smiles upon this enterprise of our hearts and hands, and is solving for us some problems which have caused us much anxiety and study.

The experience and observations of several years in the brunt of battle and from the watch towers on the frontiers of our work, have made more evident than ever the following important facts:

1. That the School Teacher is the most powerful auxiliary of the Missionary. Every mission, therefore, should be provided with school as well as church accommodations.
2. That money judiciously invested in this department of Church-work, especially at this time, will go very far to make our mission work permanent, and to make its progress more rapid. Canadian Methodism has undertaken no work more imperative and important than this. The mind must be educated as well as the heart; indeed, instruction must be as the basis of moral reform; the people must be led upward as well as onward. And unless we do this work now, while the Awakening Spirit is moving over "the valley of dry bones," a grand opportunity will have been forever lost.
3. That the education of these families recently emancipated from Romanism must be prosecuted under the watchful care and control of our Missionaries or the Church. Unless this education be religious, nurtured by the careful study of the Word of Life, and confirmed by the powerful influence of holy lives, nothing but unbelief in its manifold and baneful forms will be the result. Let us save, if possible, our French-Canadian fellow-citizens from the trend of their ancestors in Old France, where so much infidelity has been developed.
4. That while all agencies in the prosecution of our difficult work should be utilized to their fullest extent, we are convinced that our Mission Institute is one of the most powerful agencies in the field, and should, therefore, claim the most earnest prayer and most generous givings of all our friends

The field is open broadly before us. Men are in our ranks. *Money is the need of the hour.* We need money (1) to enlarge our accommodations; (2) to multiply our appliances; (3) to secure a larger corps of instructors,—thus far, all, except Prof. Cornu, have taught without a cent of remuneration;—and (4) to inaugurate a system of prizes, which, under proper regulations, would stimulate our students to a wholesome and laudable ambition. "COME AND HELP US."

LOUIS N. BEAUDRY, *Principal.*

Regulations and Announcements.

Students desiring to enter are required to fill up the following Demande d'Admission, forms of which can be obtained from the Principal or Secretary :

Nom de l'élève (en plein)
Adresse
Age exact
Place de naissance
Nationalité des Parents
A quelle Eglise appartenez-vous ?
Avez-vous appartenu à quelque autre Eglise ?
Pour quelle vocation désirez-vous étudier
Quelle somme proposez-vous payer par mois ?
Savez-vous lire et écrire, et dans quelle langue ?
Quand proposez-vous entrer ?

Personne n'est admis sous 14. Dans tous les cas le montant promis par mois sera exigé en entrant, et au commencement de chaque mois. Si l'élève est obligé de partir durant le mois, la partie de paiement donnée pour le reste du mois lui sera remise.

S'Addresser au REV. LOUIS N. BEAUDRY, Principal, No. 1 Rue Ste. Elizabeth, ou au REV. PROF. SHAW, A. M., No. 162 Rue Mansfield, Montréal.

All applications have to be submitted for approval to a Committee of three of the Directors.

The following rules, which are strictly observed, indicate the internal economy of the Institute :—

I. Ordre des exercices quotidiens :

1. Cloche du lever6.00 A.M. 2. Déjeuner7.00 " 3. Prière en Anglais7.30 " 4. Etude8 à 9.00 " 5. Récitations9 à 12.00 " 6. Dîner12.00 M. 7. Récréation12.30 à 1.30 P.M.	8. Récitations1.30 à 3.30 P.M. 9. Etude4.00 à 6.00 " 10. Souper6.00 " 11. Prière en Français6.30 " 12. Etude ou services religieux7.30 à 9.00 " 13. Coucher10.00 "
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- II. Le samedi de 9 à 12 M. et de 1 à 3 P.M. la récréation, et de 3 à 6 P.M. l'étude.
- III. Le dimanche les étudiants assisteront aux services religieux sous la direction du Principal et ils observeront durant la journée le décorum dû au Sabbat.
- IV. L'usage de tabac et liqueurs spiritueuses est strictement défendu dans l'Institut.
- V. Excepté que pour l'assistance aux services religieux, les étudiants ne sortiront pas de l'Institut après 6 P.M., sans la permission du Principal.
- VI. Les étudiants devront continuer dans l'Institut jusqu'à la clôture du terme, excepté que lorsque pour des raisons suffisantes ils auront obtenu la permission du Principal de laisser.
- VII. Les étudiants devront pas oublier le règlement qui exige le paiement de leur pension au commencement de chaque mois. (Voir Demande d'admission.)
- VIII. Les étudiants sont priés de ventiler leurs chambres comme il faut tous les jours.
- IX. L'économe prêtera assistance au Principal pour l'exécution de ces Règlements.

Provision is made by which, during each month of the session, some one Director is responsible for visiting the Institution.

A valuable opportunity to learn French is offered to English students, who may be admitted to the Institute *provided there are vacancies not sought by French students*. Correspondence on this point and concerning terms may be had with the Principal or Secretary. The use of the English language in the Institute, except as required in the curriculum, is discouraged as much as possible.

The next session will open on Wednesday, Sept. 26, 1883.

STUDENTS, 1882-83.

ADAM, NOÉ.....	Actonvale, Q.
ADAM, MOISE.....	“ “
CHARTRAND, PIERRE, FILS.....	New Glasgow, Q.
CLOUTIER, ALFRED.....	Roxton Pond, Q.
CORNU NOÉ.....	Montreal.
CROWLE, F. W., B. A.....	“
DEVENEAU, L. B.....	Kankakee, Ill.
DOLBECK, G. N.....	Ticonderago, N.Y.
DOLBECK, A. B. C.....	“ “
GEOFFRY, C. A.....	Danville, Q.
GILMAN, A. F.....	Fall River, Mass.
LANGÉVIN, THEODORE.....	Roxton Pond, Q.
LANGÉVIN, PIERRE.....	“ “
LAUZON, F.....	Montreal, Q.
LAURIN, EMANUEL.....	St. Eustache, Q.
LEPAGE, ALEXANDER.....	Hull, Q.
MASSICOTTE, L.....	St. Cassimir, Q.
MASSICOTTE, L. G.....	“ “
PAUL, OLIVIER.....	Longue Point, Q.
PATENAUDE, F.....	St. Isidore, Q.
PERREAULT, J.....	Swanton, Vt.
PETIT, E.....	Port Neuf, Q.
PLOURDE, H.....	Ottawa, Ont.
SMITH, H. H.....	South Roxton, Q.
STEPHAN, L.....	Ottawa, Ont.
THANONIANITHA, MATTHIAS.....	Oka, Q.
TRUDEAU, ESAIE.....	Shawbridge, Q.
WELLS, W. A.....	St. Césaire, Q.
WHITE, LOUIS.....	Cornwall Island, Ont.
VIEN, O.....	Montreal, Q.

TOTAL, 30.

Number of those who have been Roman Catholics, 14.

Training for Missionary Work, 5.

Statement of the Treasurer, Rev. W. I. Shaw, A. M.,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MAY 31, 1883.

CASH ACCOUNT.			
	Dr.		Cr.
To Balance	\$ 166.49		By Boarding Department \$ 839.86
" Int'st on deposit.	2.13		" Furniture..... 100.18
" Subt'ns on acct. of Sustentation F'd.556.00			" Fuel..... 78.31
" other subscriptns.192.00	748.00		" Salary and Wages. . . 351.75
" Paym't for Board.	248.09		" Incidentals..... 148.08
" Grant from Mis- sionary Society.	300.00		
" Balance due Treas.	53.47		
	\$1,518.18		\$1,518.18

BOARDING DEPARTMENT.			
	Dr.		Cr.
To Monthly advances to Steward.....	\$839.86		By Cash..... \$ 839.86

FURNITURE.			
	Dr.		Cr.
To Iron Beds & Bedding.	75.93		By Cash.....\$ 100.18
" Sundries	24.25		
	\$100.18		\$100.18

FUEL.			
	Dr.		Cr.
To 10 Tons of Coal.....	\$ 66.81		By Cash.....\$ 78.31
" Cordwood & Kindling.	11.50		
	\$78.31		\$78.31

SALARY AND WAGES.			
	Dr.		Cr.
To allowance Prof. Cornu.	\$ 200.00		By Cash.....\$ 351.75
" " Matron.....	151.75		
	\$351.75		\$351.75

INCIDENTALS.			
	Dr.		Cr.
To Printing Report, 1882, 500 copies.....	\$ 16.80		By Cash.....\$ 148.08
" City Taxes... ..	11.76		
" Water Rates.....	11.40		
" Whitewashing.....	10.00		
" Plastering.....	12.00		
" Gas Bill.....	12.00		
" Sundries.....	74.12		
	\$148.08		\$148.08

Audited and found correct.

MONTREAL, May 31, 1883.

JOHN NICHOLS.

SUBSCRIPTIONS IN AID OF THE "INSTITUT MÉTHODISTE FRANÇAIS,"

1882-83.

John MacDonald, Oaklands, Toronto	\$ 50.00	Rev. S. Jackson, Stanbridge East	10.00
Jairus Hart, Halifax	20.00	Mr. Walker, Brantford	2.00
A Friend, Mystic, Q.	10.00	Grafton Street S.S., Halifax.	25.00
Rev. W. Creighton, Almonte, in memory of Mrs. Creighton	20.00	Rev. J. Thorn, A. B., New- ton Brook	10.00
Mrs. A. D. McLean, Hoosick Falls, N. Y.	5.00	Mrs. W. Sawyer, Sawyerville	10.00
Mrs. Brownell, Troy, N. Y. .	5.00	G. H. Starr, Halifax	50.00
Gen. J. Hammond, Crown Point, N. Y.	50.00	W. J. Ballard, Hamilton. . .	10.00
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Rev. Geo. Young, D. D., Brantford.	30.00	Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Canada, Mont'l Branch	50.00
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T. C. Watkins, Hamilton. . .	25.00	Katie M. Sproule, Brantford.	5.00
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J. W. Eaton, " . . .	5.00	R. Brecken, Charlottetown. .	20.00
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Hon. W. W. Sifton, Brandon	5.00	W. H. Webb, Halifax.	10.00
H. H. Perdue, Eden Grove. .	6.00	Mrs. G. A. Morse, Leamington	5.00
Rev. T. Watson Smith, Hali- fax	5.00	Miss E. L. Morse, " . . .	5.00
		F. R. Whiteside, Ottawa. . . .	5.00
		J. Wesley Smith	20.00
		Total,	\$748.00

NOTE.—The Report will be sent regularly to subscribers, with the hope that they will be disposed to continue their subscriptions as annual donations, and that they will find the Institute to merit their continued support. They are respectfully requested to remit, without further solicitation, each year, to the Treasurer, Rev. Prof. SHAW, A. M., 162 Mansfield Street, Montreal.