

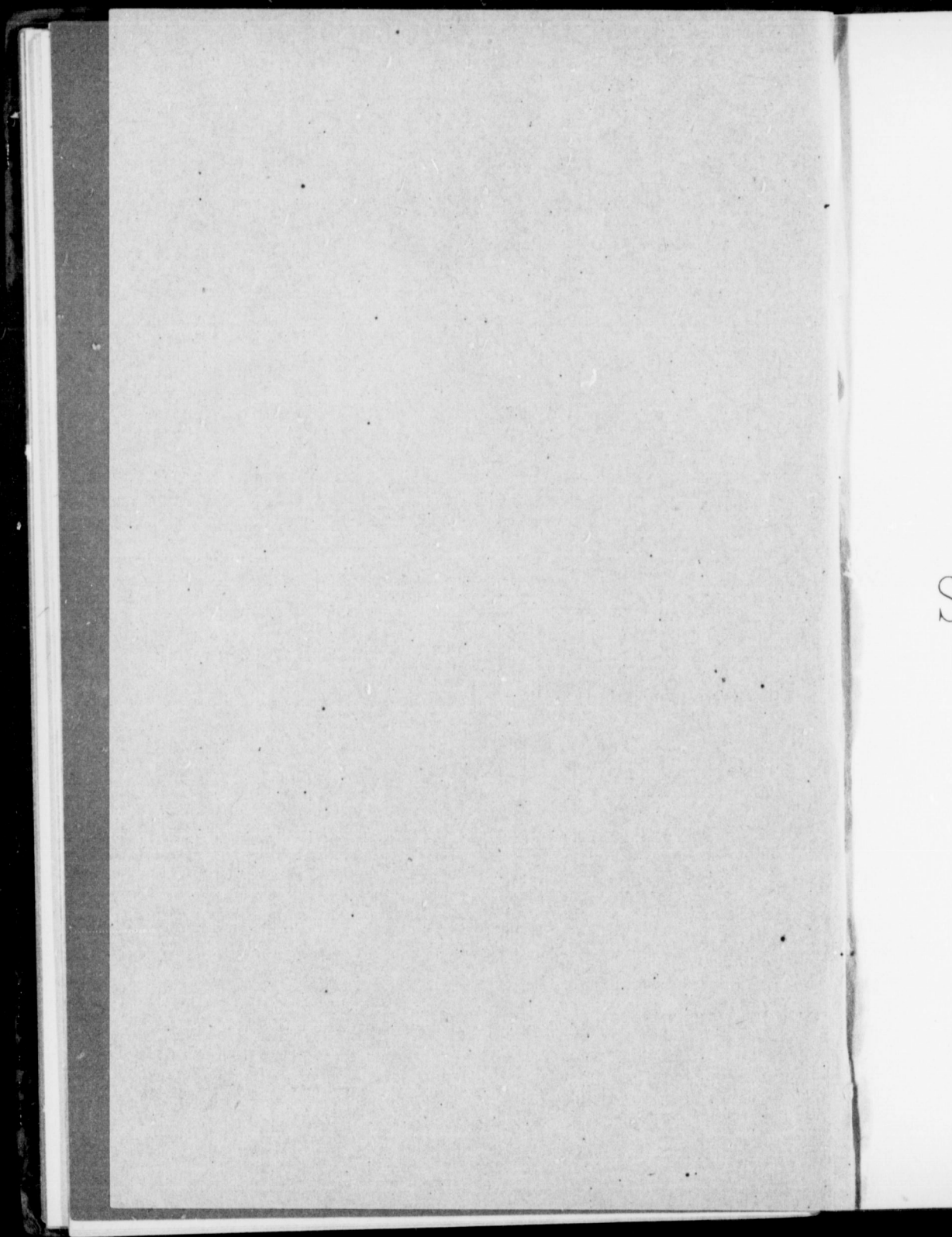


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MINUTES OF MEETINGS.

The Quarterly Meetings were called by advertisements in the daily papers, to be held on 14th February, 1st May, and 1st August. There was not a quorum at any of the meetings, and none were held.

PREPARATORY MEETING.

ST. ANDREW'S HOME, 5th November, 1885.

The Annual Preparatory Meeting of the Society, was held in the Home, this evening, at 8 p.m. There were present:—Mr. W. W. Ogilvie, President, in the chair; Messrs. Hugh McLennan, Alex. Stewart, John Allan, Ewan McLennan, G. W. Kay, Alex. F. Riddell, J. M. Kirk, J. Harper, Rev. R. Campbell, Dr. Wanless, Wm. Reid, Jas. Tasker, And. Baillie, Hugh Mackay, A. B. Stewart, Wm. Angus, R. M. Esdaile, D. Campbell, Rev. Mr. McLeod, Jas. Wright, D. Cunningham, A. N. Shewan, and others.

The SECRETARY read the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, and also of the Special Meeting held on 13th March, 1885, both of which were confirmed.

At the request of the Chairman of the Charitable Committee, MR. ALEX. STEWART, read the Committee's Report, which was as follows:—

Annual Report of the Charitable Committee of St. Andrew's Society, November, 1884, to November, 1885.

The members of the Charitable Committee are duly impressed with the honor of presenting the 50th Annual Report of their work to the Society.

We have nothing new to report as regards the "Home," with the exception of a decrease in the number of admissions, caused by a determined resolution on our part to exclude those purely "tramps." Owing, however, to the want of employment, your Committee were obliged to shelter many of those who were admitted much longer than usual.

The claims upon our weekly out-door relief proved much in excess of many previous winters, entailing great labor on the part of those ladies and gentlemen who are so earnest and attentive in visiting, relieving and reporting cases deserving of assistance to your committee. We would like to mention a few special cases relieved by us.

A young man named John Wilson, paralyzed and quite helpless, from working in water on the C. P. R., in Ontario, who had been sent to Portland, refused passage by Dominion Line and sent back here, was brought under our notice by Mr. Kirkham, G.T.R. Station Agent, (whose kindness and liberality on this occasion, is worthy of all praise). We paid his bill in the General Hospital, and saw him safely on his way to Boston, whence, by the kindness of the "Allan Line" he was forwarded direct to his friends in Glasgow. The Chairman has since received intelligence of his safe arrival, conveying the heart-felt thanks of his relations to the Society, and all who had assisted him, and anticipating for him a speedy recovery. A recent instance is that of a man, wife and nine children, assisted back to Liverpool by the Society. After matured consideration it was thought best to do this, as being less expensive than keeping them all winter, there being no hope of the husband obtaining employment here. A family of four were sent to New York, their fare, amounting to \$25.00, collected by Dr. Murray. This week we will be called upon to send a widow and child to Scotland, whose husband and father has died from small pox.

During the flood of last spring, one of your committee with Mr. Wright, President of the Caledonian Society, personally visited and relieved a number of our poor in Point St. Charles, as well as some other nationalities who were in great distress.

We desire to thank the Rev Mr. Patterson, City Missionary, and Mr. McLeod, of Stanley Street Church, for their untiring labors in connection with our out-door poor; also, the Chaplains and Physicians of the Society; Messrs. H. & A. Allan; the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company; and the Grand Trunk Railway, for reduced fares; Mr. J. A. Harte, for medicines, and all the kind friends to whom we are annually indebted for acceptable donations.

During the summer we arranged with Mr. McTaggart, G.T.R., for the usual supply of wood, at a reduction, for which the thanks of the Society are due.

161 persons were admitted to the Home.

16 sent to Great Britain at a cost of \$148.50
 29 sent to various parts of Canada and United States..... 103.85
 Cost of Bread, Milk, Butter, Vegetables, Coal Oil..... 200.87

120 families, representing about 500 persons, have been supplied with firewood and provisions as follows:—

2960 Loaves of Bread.	308 pounds of Tea.
170 Cords Firewood.	1120 pounds of Sugar.
19 Barrels Oatmeal.	1 Case Haddies.
4 " Flour.	4 Barrels Pigs' Feet.
2 " Split Peas.	25 pounds Currants.
1 " Pot Barley.	25 pounds Raisins.
15 gallons of Syrup.	9 pairs Boots and Rubbers.

About \$350 worth of new and cast-off clothing.

Two persons have been buried at the expense of the Society.

To conclude, your Committee, would remind those who may be appointed to carry on their work, that in view of the want and misery in the city, consequent on the small-pox epidemic, the work of the Charitable Committee is likely to be no light matter during the coming season. We unite in bespeaking for them the sympathy of the whole Society.

Respectfully submitted.

(Signed) DONALD CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*
 JOHN ALLAN.
 ANDREW BAILLIE.
 WILLIAM REID.

DR. WANLESS moved, and MR. WM. ANGUS seconded: "That the report of the Charitable Committee be received and adopted." The mover and seconder both spoke in reference to the work of the Committee, and praised their exertions. The Rev. R. Campbell also endorsed all that had been said. Mr. A. B. Stewart also spoke, and enquired how those assisted were found by the Committee. The Secretary read letters from Mr Nisbett and Mr. Grant, who had been assisted by the Society; both letters expressed deep gratitude for the assistance. The Rev. Mr. McLeod also spoke of the good work that the Committee had done and he knew that no deserving person was ever turned away from the Home. The report was then unanimously carried.

DONATIONS FROM FRIENDS, 1884-85.

NAME.	DESCRIPTION.
Mrs. James Johnston, "Ailsa".....	One piece Cotton Sheeting, 28 yards.
Miss Morice.....	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
Mr. George H. Patterson.....	" " "
Mr. John Fraser.....	" " Socks and Mitts.
Mr. John Porteous.....	Three barrels Oatmeal and two of Flour.
A Friend.....	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
Mrs. W. W. Ogilvie.....	" " Under Clothing.
The Misses Murray, Cote St. Antoine....	" " "
Mrs. Reid, St. Catherine St.....	" " "
Mrs. Jas. Johnston, "Ailsa".....	" " "
Miss Forsyth.....	" " "
Mrs. John Hope.....	" " Cast-off Clothing.
D. Morrice, Sons & Co.....	" " Under-shirts.
A Friend.....	One piece of Cheese.
Mrs. Jos. Hickson.....	One Turkey and One Goose.
Mrs. Dow.....	One Turkey.
Mrs. Wm. Reid, St. Catherine St.....	One Roast of Beef.
Mrs. Andrew Robertson.....	One Turkey.
Mrs. Hugh Paton.....	One Turkey.
Mrs. J. B. Williamson.....	One Goose.
Miss Forsyth.....	Two Geese.
Mrs. John Hope.....	One Roast of Beef and two Qr. of Lamb.
Mrs. Greenshields.....	Six bags of Potatoes
Mrs. John Porteous.....	One Basket of Apples.
Messrs. Lightbound, Ralston & Co.....	Quarter Chest of Tea.
Mrs. J. J. Arnton.....	One Roast of Beef.
Messrs. McGibbon & Fraser.....	25 lbs. of Currants.
Kirk, Lockerby & Co.....	One box Currants and one box Raisins.
Geo. Macrae, Esq., Q.C.....	Two Quarters of Lamb.
A. W. Ogilvie & Co.....	{ Two barrels Oatmeal, one barrel Flour. One barrel Split Peas, one barrel Pot Barley.
From Christmas, 1884.....	{ Five bags Oatmeal, Two barrels Flour, One barrel Split Peas, one barrel Pot Barley.
Messrs. Brodie & Harvie.....	One bag of Oatmeal.
Mrs. Col. Oswald.....	One Seed Cake and Mince Pies.
Mrs. Col. Gardner.....	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
Mrs. Wm. Angus.....	" " "
Mr. Alex. Fowler.....	" " "
Mrs. Greenshields.....	" " "
Mrs. Greenshields.....	One barrel of Apples.
Mr. Andw. Bailley.....	Two parcels Boots and Shoes.
Mr. Masterman.....	Pork and Sausages.
Mr. John Allan, result of a Curling Match	One barrel Oatmeal.
Mrs. Locke.....	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
The Caledonian Curling Club, result of a Curling Match.....	Two barrels Oatmeal.
A Friend.....	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
Geo. Kay, Esq.....	" " "

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M.
Mr. I.
Mrs. J.
Mrs. J.
Mrs. J.
Messrs.
Mrs. J.
Mrs. J.
D. M.

NAME.	DESCRIPTION.
Mrs. John Hope	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
Mr. Robert Forsyth	Half Doz. Bed Comforters.
D. McEntyre & Son	Two parcels Men's New Clothing, \$100 worth.
Mr. Hugh Boyd	30 lbs. of Beef.
J. B. Hutchison, the result of a Curling Match	One barrel Oatmeal.
Rags and Corn, the result of a Curling Match	" "
Thistle Curling Club, the result of a Curling Match	" "
The Misses Murray, Cote St. Antoine...	One parcel Under-clothing, \$10.00 worth.
Mrs. R. Mackay	" " "
Mr. Robert Benny	" " "
Mrs. W. W. Ogilvie	" " "
Mr. Robert Forsyth	" " \$5.00.
Dorcas of St. Andrew's Church	" New Clothing.
Thistle Curling Club, result of a Curling Match	One barrel Oatmeal.
Mr. W. W. Ogilvie, result of a Curling Match	Two barrels Oatmeal.
Mr. D. Rees	Four barrels Pig's Feet.
Mrs. Greenshields	One parcel New Clothing.
Mrs. W. W. Ogilvie	" Cast-off Clothing.
Mrs. John Porteous	" "
Messrs. Lightbound, Ralston & Co.	One box Finnon Haddies.
Mrs. Jas. Phymester	One parcel Cast-off Clothing.
Mrs. John Hope	" "
D. Morrice, Sons & Co.	A supply of Ice for the Season.

MR. A. F. RIDDELL, the Treasurer, then read his report, which, on motion of MR. TASKER, seconded by MR. HUGH MACKAY, was received and handed to the Committee on Accounts.

The PRESIDENT then reported regarding the trouble with Mr. Cooke, stating that our boundary was correct, and that a satisfactory settlement had been arrived at. Mr. Robertson, Q.C., made no charge for his services.

MR. HUGH McLENNAN moved, seconded by MR. GEO. KAY: "A vote of thanks to Mr. Robertson and Mr. Rielle, for their attention and services." Carried.

The PRESIDENT reported regarding the lot in Mount Royal Cemetery, that the Committee were having the bodies removed to the back of the lot. That the lot was to be marked by granite posts, thirteen in number, and at the front of the lot there were to be three steps, on one of which the name of the Society was to be cut. The total cost of these improvements, would be about \$120, and the Committee recommended that the question of a monument be held over.

MR. ESDAILE moved: "That the Report of the Cemetery Committee be received and adopted; and that the thanks of the Society be tendered to the Committee, and that they be continued in office." Unanimously carried.

The election of new members was next proceeded with, and the following were duly elected:—

Mr. D. G. Thomson, proposed by Hugh McLennan, seconded by A. Stewart.

Mr. A. G. Thomson, proposed by Hugh McLennan, seconded by A. Stewart.

Mr. W. Alexr. Caldwell, proposed by E. McLennan, seconded by A. Stewart.

Mr. Arch. Nicoll, proposed by E. McLennan, seconded by R. M. Esdaile.

Mr. Innis M. Taylor, proposed by J. M. Kirk, seconded by Geo. Kay.

Mr. George Hyde, proposed by A. F. Riddell, seconded by Wm. Reid.

The Rev. R. Campbell, Messrs. Jas. Harper and R. M. Esdaile, were appointed a Committee to prepare a resolution regarding the deaths of members during the last year.

The REV. R. CAMPBELL, on behalf of the Committee elected at the last Annual Meeting to prepare a summary of the work of the Society, reported that the Committee were preparing the Report, and that it would be ready for the Annual Meeting. The Report would embrace a short history of the Society, together with a list of the chief officers and members from the foundation. MR. TASKER moved, and MR. SHEWAN seconded: "That this interim report be received." Carried.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—

President, Hugh McLennan; First Vice-President, R. B. Angus; Second Vice-President, Hon. Donald A. Smith; Secretary, W. Alexr. Caldwell; Assistant Secretary, George Kay; Treasurer, A. F. Riddell.

Chaplains—Rev. Jas. Edgar Hill, B.D., Rev. Jas. Barclay, M.A.

Physicians—Dr. Wanless, Dr. George Ross, Dr. Blackadder, Dr. A. Hutchinson.

Charitable Committee—Donald Campbell, Chairman; Wm. Reid, John Allan, Andrew Baillie, Jas. Tasker.

Committee of Accounts—The five last Presidents.

Committee of Instalment—Jas. Wright, David Cunningham.

Representative Governor to the House of Industry—Ewan McLennan.

LADIES' COMMITTEE.

Lady Galt.
Mrs. Hugh McLennan.
" Alex. McGibbon
" Jas. Johnston.
" A. B. Stewart.
" A. Robertson.
" W. Macfarlane.
" Dr. Wanless.
" R. S. Oliver.
" Robt. Campbell.
" C. P. Davidson.
" J. C. Watson.
" Jas. Ferrier.
" MacVicar.

Mrs. J. A. Harte.
" James Dakers.
" Geo. Graham.
" Peter Nicholson.
" R. Mackay.
" Jas. Edgar Hill.
" John Ogilvie.
" W. W. Ogilvie.
" R. B. Angus.
" P. S. Ross.
" Jas. Mavor.
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" Wm. Angus.
" A. W. Ogilvie.

Mrs. David Mackay.
" J. Clark Murray.
" James Stewart.
" Jno. Greenshields.
" A. B. McKay.
" C. J. Baird.
" M. Ramsay.
" W. S. Walker.
" Peter Fulton.
" R. Dalgleish.
" Wm. Reid.
" Jas. Barclay.
" Andrew Wilson.
" John Porteous.

It was then moved by MR. ANGUS, and seconded by MR. Ewan McLENNAN: "That the sermon be preached in St. Andrew's Church on Sunday afternoon, the 29th November, by the Rev. Jas. Edgar Hill." It was moved in amendment that it be in the evening. The motion for the afternoon was carried.

The question of celebrating the day then came up, and, after considerable discussion, the feeling was that, owing to the unfortunate circumstances in which the city was placed owing to the small-pox, there should be no celebration.

MR. HUGH McLENNAN moved, seconded by MR. KIRK: "That there be no annual celebration observed the present year, but that the executive be instructed to submit at a future meeting a programme for a jubilee celebration in November, 1886." Carried.

It was then decided that the annual meeting be held in the Home on Monday, 30th November, at 8 o'clock p.m.

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

R. M. ESDAILE,

Secretary.

W. W. OGILVIE,

President.

Minutes of a special meeting held in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Church, on Sunday, the 29th November, 1885, at 3.15 p.m.

In pursuance of a resolution passed at the preparatory meeting of the Society, held on the 3rd inst., the following members viz., Hugh McLennan, Esq., President of the Society, The Hon. A. W. Ogilvie, Messrs. W. W. Ogilvie, J. M. Kirk, Hugh MacKay, Innis M. Taylor, W. B. Smith, Ewan McLennan, A. F. Riddell, Col. A. A. Stevenson, Donald Campbell, D. Cunningham, James Wright, Geo. Kay, Alex. Murray, Jas. Harper, Mr. Knox, Mr. Miller, John Robertson, Colin McArthur, F. B. Robinson, D. M. McGavin, A. B. Stewart, Alex. Stewart, Mr. Allan, W. Alexr. Caldwell and others met in the lecture room of St. Andrew's Church this day, and proceeded in a body, at 3.30 p.m. to the Church, where Divine Service was conducted by the Rev. J. Edgar Hill B.D., Chaplain, who took for his text St. John, 1st chapter, 41st verse.

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“BROTHERHOOD.”

“He first findeth *his own brother*, Simon.”—St. John, 1., 41.

Brotherhood is a term easily understood, and highly, yea, fashionably popular. Every one knows what it is to have a brother, especially in the dark day of trial; most people are ambitious of the title, though many take very round-about ways of earning it. Curiously enough Brotherhood in the general, is probably more popular than in the special. It is often easier to excite brotherly interest in the heathen, thousands of miles away, than in the heathen at our very doors. How many will listen with the very romance of interest to appeals on behalf of Hottentots or Hindoos, and spare neither time, nor thought, nor means, to further the Gospel among a people they have never seen, while they pass, every day of their lives, darkened, needy souls, for whose well-being they have never given two moments' thought, or two cents in coin. People will be romantic even in good doing, and, in their romance, fail to realise claims that should press upon them the strongest of all. Such persons have often been the butt of profane wits; and through their irrational and inconsistent methods, the entire subject of Foreign Missions has many a time been unjustly covered with ridicule and contempt.

St. Andrew's plan, and Our Lord's as well, was more common-sense and intelligible by far. Immediately the Saint had verified the identity of the Messiah, concerning whom his Master, John, had borne such striking testimony, he felt that the good news was too good to keep to himself, and so he set about seeking out *his own brother* to impart to him *first* the welcome intelligence. Andrew, the first Evangelist, was before all else a good brother. In the great church at Rome, which is dedicated to him, no other inscription could be found suitable, except “Andrew, the brother of Peter.” Before casting his nets here and there, on Jew or Gentile, on Priest or Publican, he first bethought him of the one fellow-creature who was near to him by the ties of home and family. “Blood is thicker than water,” is an old maxim, true in sacred as well as in social life. “If a man cares not for his own household, how shall he care for the Church of God?” “If a man loves not his brother,”—his nearest and dearest—his brother whom he sees every day—“how can he love God,” or God's scattered children, “whom he has not seen?”

Our Lord's last counsel to the eleven was “Tarry ye in Jerusalem,” and they obeyed the injunction to the letter—only abandoning the Holy City, when living there had become impossible—some of them refusing to leave even then, and for their loyalty meeting a martyr's fate.

Those illustrations have supplied arguments to many who were averse to missions to the heathen, and who, in their zeal against Foreign Missions, have really weakened the argument for the Home Missions, on which they proposed to concentrate the effort of the Christian Church. Extremes are dangerous either in religion or common life. The brother at home and the brother abroad have each their claim on Christian sympathy and effort; but the home brother's claim is prior and stronger, and it is

through him that genuine interest is ever to reach the foreign brother, or really effective and permanent good be done on his behalf. It is the rational advice to give to-day, as it has been in all the ages, "Do the work that lies nearest to your hand in all conscientiousness and thoroughness. The better you do it, the more naturally and freely will your sympathies expand, the circle of your fraternity enlarge, and the power of your influence be felt in quarters, you may never know." Fill your mind with the distant brother, revel in the indefiniteness of universal fraternity, and you may never realise that in the little circle of your daily life, there are brothers pining for your interest, and dying because you will not bid them live. On the other hand, aim at exhausting the claims of the brotherhood you can lay your hand readily upon, and I will guarantee that it will be impossible by and by to exclude from your mindful and prayerful help the remotest field of Missionary enterprise.

St. Andrew strikes this key-note of brotherliness, and it vibrates in full deep tones throughout the entire constituency of intelligent men and women. People who will allow their judgment as well as their feelings to operate in their religious activity, at once recognize the wisdom of his method; and every day is adding to the number of those who will insist that all kinds of charitable and church work shall be conducted on sound, rational and economic principles.

How St. Andrew came to be the Patron Saint of Scotland, I know not. Legend has been pretty busy about that matter, and she has been tolerably successful; but if the episode of my text be characteristic of the great Apostle, I can quite understand the selection of his patronage, by the general consensus of Scottish thought and history. No nationality under heaven has been truer to itself in the characteristic of brotherhood.

However it has come—whether from the influence of the parochial school system, which was the great welder of the various ranks and classes of the people—or whether from the intelligent character of Scottish Christianity, which, passing time after time through the crucible, had fused the national sympathies of all grades into one mighty unity, we need not turn aside to enquire. The fact remains, that wherever Scots have roamed, (and they have been more perfectly "Citizens of the World" than any modern nationality), they have been characterized as a people peculiar for their clannishness—I use the word in its best sense—in their extending a helping hand, and speaking a brotherly word to every lonely, needy wanderer, worthy the "Land of the mountain and the flood." And that not as a duty to be discharged officially, and it may be grudgingly, but as a privilege to be embraced with alacrity as if a greater favour to the bestower, than to him on whom the benefaction is bestowed. Beginning with "his own brother," however, the Scot has never ended there. Foremost in every philanthropic and Christian enterprise for the common good, wherever his lot is cast, he has presented to the world a splendid illustration of the maxim:—"Charity begun at home, never ends at home," but is like a mighty tree rooted in rich soil, towering aloft to heaven in stately majesty, and spreading its branches afar, that under it may rest every weary foot, and in its leafy retreats be folded every drooping wing.

No better illustration of the operation of the "his-own-brother," principle could be quoted than that which the history of the Scots of this city affords. This year Saint Andrew's Society completes the fiftieth year of her existence, and to-morrow will celebrate for the fifty-first time the anniversary of her Patron Saint. This is her jubilee

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year, and though ushered in by no blast of trumpets it has been a year of congratulation and sober reflection on good and kind work done in the spirit of St. Andrew and His Lord. Previous to the year 1835 no regularly organized brotherhood of Scotsmen existed in this city, and therefore no systematic care of immigrants from the Old Land had been attempted. Warm Scotch hearts, there were not a few, and kindly Scottish tongues and strong helping hands; but, without system it could not but happen that their kind offices came into play too late in many cases, and probably in the case of the unobtrusive and most deserving, never at all.

St. Andrew's Society was therefore the wise and noble expression of characteristic Scottish sentiment, that no friendless Scot or Scottish family should land in this city without knowing where a kindly Scottish welcome was to be found, and also, whatever counsel or aid was needed in starting life afresh in a new strange land. How loyally this Society has fulfilled that resolution all Canada knows. From that hour to this no worthy man or woman has ever appealed for sympathy, and had the appeal refused. Even unworthy applicants have from time to time been tenderly received, and encouraged to amend, for the sake of the dear Old Land which gave them birth. These facts are a glory to any Guild of Brothers; but the manner of this Society's operations has been a greater still. It is one of the great problems of our age "how to help the needy without harming them; how to safeguard the self respect of the recipients, so that help will be a stimulus and an encouragement to help themselves." It is an undeniable fact that a vast amount of philanthropic effort is productive of the worst moral results by being bestowed in such a way as to tarnish the self respect of its objects, weaken their power of honest exertion, and so degrade those whom it would raise. Every act of charity performed according to that vicious method, so far from doing any real good only goes to swell the ranks of that foul pauperism, which works such fearful havoc wherever it exists, and whose incessant, clamorous cry, is ever that of the horse-leech, "Give, give." With a true Scottish instinct this Society has diligently safeguarded the self respect of every individual whom it has welcomed to its friendly arms. The word pauper has never been uttered by those who have spoken and administered in her name. Charity, in the selfish, vulgar sense of the term, has been carefully avoided. Her good offices have been rendered as by one Brother Scot to another, glad to have the opportunity of giving tangible token to their common kinship. As one has told me, to whom this Society has been as a child through most of its history: "We care for our own. We have never been in straits. Whatever is required has only to be mentioned, and it is forthwith provided. We place every man and woman on their honor, and trust to them to tell when they can get along without us." A truly, dignified Christian mode of beneficence. Such a principle of good-doing elevates and never degrades. It saves the deserving in the season of innocent misfortune for better and brighter days. And though some among the undeserving may abuse it to their own condemnation, comparatively few will be found, even among the abandoned, to take mean advantage when put upon that honor which is said to exist even among thieves. There will always be some of that degraded class, doubtless, who sin against the brotherly love that shields them; but it is better to be sinned against than to even seem to sin by a policy of suspicion and severity in out-working the objects which you have set yourselves to accomplish. To your Society many look with deepest gratitude, for in the day of their exigency, ye took them by the hand

and held them firmly till the storm had spent itself, some of whom have lived to take their places as fellow-helpers in this good work.

That is moreover a principle, specially dear to the Scottish heart. The spirit of independence—call it pride or what you will, I care not—which suffers and will not speak, which even plants a smile on the countenance when the eye would fain shed a tear—which spends itself even to the very last throb before it will give in, and only then lets its silent misery tell its own sorrowful tale,—that spirit has always been characteristic of the Scottish peasantry and its triumphs, could they be written, would be the brightest page in the social annals of Scotland. That spirit of independence and native pride, this Society guards as a holy thing, and it is the most sacred trust which could be committed to her.

From 1835 to 1857 the Society had a name, but no place of habitation. Good work it had done; but it would do better. Accordingly in the early days of June, 1857, St. Andrew's Home was opened, so that those who had left a home endeared to them by every tender association should at once, in the New Land beyond the Western wave, find a home ready to receive them till they had made a home for themselves. The idea was a brilliant one, and the time, as well as the place, were marked by an obvious leading of providence. For, while the Home was opened on June 11th, the most pathetic appeal that has ever been made to St. Andrew's Society, and the severest test to which her philanthropy has ever been subjected, was made on the 27th day of the same month, when the Steamer *Montreal* was burned to the water's edge, a few miles from Quebec, on her passage to this City, and nearly four hundred persons either perished in the flames or were drowned in trying to make their escape. The survivors lost their all; many of them were widows and orphans, and all were sorrowful strangers in a strange land, under circumstances which evoked the sympathy of every tender heart. Most of them were Scottish immigrants, and at once St. Andrew's Society let it be understood that she was prepared to provide for every Scot among them. Those who were officers of the Society at that date tell, with native pride, of the handsome response made by the Scottish inhabitants of Montreal. "How much money do you want?" was the invariable question the collectors were met with—a splendid example of the characteristic Scotch way of answering a question by putting another. Funds flowed in abundantly from Scotsmen all over Canada, for Scottish hearts were bleeding for their suffering brothers and sisters. Even remote settlers and those who had struck out for regions so far from the paths of civilization, that they had become as "Children of the Mist" to Montreal Scots, when they heard of the calamity months after, spontaneously sent their contributions. Outside our own nationality, the German Society and the Irish Protestant Society gave tangible token of their friendly sympathy, by sending liberal contributions—acts which greatly touched the members of the Society. It was a great day of sorrow and trial; but so heartily did our countrymen gird themselves for the work, that every sufferer was cared for in the most tender, yea, handsome manner, the limits of the disaster being the only limits to the sympathy and liberality of the Society. Something over £1,100 was subscribed for the emergency, and ten times more would have been promptly forthcoming had it been necessary.

The present Home in Dorchester Street, is the first building owned by the Society. It was opened in 1866. It is a Home in the true sense of the term to all who enjoy its

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hospitality. There is nothing of the cold officialism in its management, so familiar to those who know the workhouses of England, or the poor-houses of Scotland—nothing of the hard unfeeling and unbending rule, so suggestive of everything but a home. It is to me, the most characteristic Scotch institution of the kind I have ever visited, and those who know Canada better than I do, say that it has no peer in the Dominion. Then it fulfils another characteristic of Scottish life in standing free from all encumbrance. St. Andrew's Home is paid for, and it would not reflect the national character aright were it held on other terms.

With a bright record of noble work behind you; with a local habitation and a name, and with a good nest egg laid safely away against a rainy day, which nest egg is bound to draw to itself companions year by year through the good-will and clanship of Scotia's sons, I think St. Andrew's Society may be described as "well-to-do." On this her Jubilee Celebration she can say that she has fulfilled the expectation of her founders,—that with the increase of our civic population, and the enlarged influx of emigrants, her ability has been commensurate,—and she can look confidently into the future, trusting to the same loyal energy and the same intensity of national feeling. We all anticipate for Montreal accelerated progress during the next fifty years, and with a steadily increasing population the claims on such Societies as this will naturally increase. I hope never to see the time when the poor of Montreal will be cared for on the poor-law system; but if we are to be spared the evils of that false system, it can only be by societies like yours doing their work in the spirit you have displayed. Centralised charity, I think, has always been a failure; localised, and, as our circumstances are, nationalised, charity is sure to be a success. St. Andrew's Society has made it a success, and what she has done others can do. It may be said, Is not this perpetuating a spirit which Canadians who love their country desire to see die out? We are one people, and we should act as a body and not as separate nationalities. In most circumstances I grant that argument is sound, but this is an exception. For fifty years the Scottish element in this community has been prosecuting its good work on Scottish lines, and I make bold to say there are no more loyal Canadians. Scotsmen have given themselves, their talents, their enterprise, their means to build up a United Canada, and to place this Dominion in the van of progress among nations; and they have exhibited a breadth of view and toleration, and a far-seeing sagacity which have been eminently helpful in laying the foundations of solid greatness and enlightenment. What more could they have done for their adopted city and country than they have done? Pride of nationality, and brotherhood within the bounds of nationality, have not weakened their power nor tarnished their influence in the promotion of the common well-being.

This leads me to ask a question with the view of making a suggestion. How is it that our country-men have been welcomed by the wisest statesmen of every nation as a most desirable acquisition to the community? How is it that so welcomed they have justified their welcome? I answer,—to the educational system founded by John Knox, and cherished by the National Church, do we as Scots owe all we have and all we are. The Scottish people are justly proud of their schools and colleges. These have been national institutions in the broadest sense. Their doors have always been open to all ranks and classes, their benefits shared by all, their honors won and worn by all. The landlord's son and the peasant's sat side by side on the same benches in the old parish

school, joined in generous rivalry at college, and maintained through life friendships formed in ingenuous youth. A deep, wide-spread national enlightenment developed under those conditions; the highest places in literature and science were open to the humblest if he could win them, and any one who knows the history of British literature can testify to the large number of Scotsmen represented there, many of whom sprang from the lower grades of society. It has occurred to me, therefore, to suggest that it would be in keeping with your character as a Scottish Society, and a fitting memorial of your Jubilee year, if you were to consider whether the promotion of the higher education on the lines of the Scotch University system might not properly engage your attention. Our University in this city bears the name of a Scotchman, who will ever be held in honour by this Society, as her first president, the Hon. Peter McGill. In all its leading characteristics McGill University follows the Scottish model; and there are few ways in which Scottish instinct can find a better outlet for its munificence than by the foundation of bursaries or scholarships for the promotion of the higher culture in connection with McGill, after the manner of our forefathers. I presume some alteration in the constitution of the Society might be required to cover such an undertaking, as I have suggested. But, if the suggestion be taken up unanimously, I am sure any difficulties in that direction could be easily surmounted. I merely throw out the hint. Your jubilee year is an appropriate time to make a new departure, and as you may be said to be in easy circumstances relative to the special work which has hitherto engaged your attention, any broadening of the basis of the Society would not hamper your present operations, and it would probably awaken a still wider interest in the Society among Scotsmen generally.

Members of St. Andrew's Society! You have given yourselves to find out your own brother of the same flesh and blood as yourselves, and to carry out a work which none other could so well discharge, because you understand him better and he understands you better than anyone else. Thus far you imitate the spirit of your Patron Saint. Imitate him in act as well. The Scottish Church has been the glory of our nation, and her precept is "Be good thyself and pious, that thy brother also may be good and pious." This day you lift up your stone of remembrance, and inscribe upon it, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." Let your light so shine before men, that they, seeing your good works, may glorify our Father, which is in heaven.

Now, to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost, be the praise, world without end.—AMEN.

At the conclusion of the service the members returned to the lecture room, where, on motion of the PRESIDENT, seconded by JAMES WRIGHT, Esq. President of the Caledonian Society, a vote of thanks was unanimously tendered to the Chaplain for his impressive and instructive sermon, and he was requested to allow it to be published and embodied in the annual report of the Society for 1885. This request the Chaplain granted. The meeting then adjourned.

W. ALEXR. CALDWELL, *Secretary.*

HUGH McLENNAN, *President.*

ANNUAL MEETING.

The fiftieth annual meeting was held in the St. Andrew's Home, on Monday, the 30th day of November, 1885, at 8 o'clock, p.m., the said meeting having been called by advertisements in the *Star, Gazette, Witness,* and *Herald.*

Present: Messrs. Hugh McLennan, President; The Rev. J. Edgar Hill, B.D., Chaplain; W. Alexr. Caldwell, Secretary; George Kay, Assistant Secretary; A. F. Riddell, Treasurer; W. W. Ogilvie, J. M. Kirk, Ewan McLennan, Dr. Wanless, James Tasker, Rev. Robert Campbell, Colonel Stevenson, Wm. Cassils, James Inglis, Wm. Reid, John Robertson, James Harper, Alex. Stewart, A. B. Stewart, D. Campbell, and David Cunningham.

The President on taking the chair thanked the members of the Society for the honor conferred in selecting him to preside over their deliberations. He said he accepted the position feeling sure that they would treat him in his new position with the brotherly love which characterizes Scots wherever found.

The minutes of the preparatory meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Treasurer submitted his report for the past year, which on resolution was adopted.

Letters from the Hon. Donald A. Smith, the Rev. J. Edgar Hill, B.D., the Rev. James Barclay, and W. Alexr. Caldwell, accepting the offices to which they had been elected at the preparatory meeting, were read by the Secretary and ordered to be placed on file.

Messrs. Davidson and Kay, on behalf of the Caledonian Society, presented a cheque for \$100, expressing the good feeling which existed towards its Sister Society.

The President, on behalf of the St. Andrew's Society, thanked the Caledonian Society for their gift, which he assured them would be in the future, as it had been in the past, put to a good use.

On motion of Dr. WANLESS, seconded by Mr. KIRK, a vote of thanks was tendered the Caledonian Society for their handsome donation.

Mr. W. W. OGILVIE reported that the work on the lot in Mount Royal Cemetery had been satisfactorily completed.

The report was adopted and the committee discharged.

The Rev. ROBERT CAMPBELL, on behalf of the committee appointed to prepare a summary of the history of the Society for the past fifty years, reported that the work was not quite completed, but the committee expected to have it ready for publication in a very short time.

It was resolved, on motion, that the report of the Rev. ROBERT CAMPBELL be received, and the committee continued in office.

Mr. JAMES HARPER, on behalf of the committee appointed to draft a resolution upon deceased members during the past year, reported that the Society had to regret the death of three members whose names he submitted; whereupon it was

Resolved,—“That it is with deep regret we have been reminded of the death during the past year of three members of our society, viz., Laird Paton, William Darling, and John Morrison. As members of the Society, and as fellow-citizens, we have enjoyed their companionship for many years. While we miss them from our membership, yet we cannot forget that there are others to whom ties of kindred rendered them dearer and to whom their death was a sore trial. To these relatives and friends we desire to express our deep sympathy; and we unite with them in the thought that though our friends have gone before, they have left the memory of their lives and deeds to be cherished by those who knew them best and loved them most dearly.

The President reported that, as to the dispute between the Society and Mr. Cook, the arbitrator had declared the fence to be on the true boundary line; and the parties had agreed that a part of the fence should be removed and the lane used in common, under reserve of the Society's legal rights.

The following telegrams were despatched and received :—

HAMILTON, St. Andrew's Day, 1885.

To the President of the St. Andrew's Society, Montreal :

Auld Scotia's sons where Lawrence rins,
Aneath the big Victoria,
Yer brithers dicht their e'en the nicht,
At sic a waefu' story.

The social glass may timely pass,
Weel tempered wi' restriction,
Here kindered ties when sorrow cries,
Grips sair at your affliction,
This verra nicht.

JOHN McMASTER,
Secretary St. Andrew's Society.

MONTREAL, 30th November, 1885.

To the President of St. Andrew's Society, Hamilton :

We're thankfu' for your kindly word. May a' guid be wi' the brithers o' Hamilton.

HUGH McLENNAN,
President St. Andrew's Society, Montreal.

DETROIT, MICH., November 30th, 1885.

To the President of St. Andrew's Society, Montreal :

The St. Andrew's Society of Detroit send greetings to brither Scots at Montreal
wha' keep the nicht.

ANDREW W. IMRIE.

MONTREAL, St. Andrew's Day.

To Andrew W. Imrie, President of St. Andrew's Society, Detroit, Mich. :

We heartily respond in best wishes for the brithers of Detroit.

HUGH MCLENNAN,
President St. Andrew's Society.

TORONTO, ONT., November 30th.

To President St. Andrew's Society, Montreal :

The St. Andrew's Society of Toronto extends fraternal greetings to your Society.
A. J. CATTANACH, President.

MONTREAL, 30th November, 1885.

A. J. Cattnach, President St. Andrew's Society, Toronto :

O'or Society reciprocates maist cordially yere kindly greetin'. May britherly feeling
aye exist atween the twa' big toons o' the Dominion. We're a' John Tamson's bairns.

HUGH MCLENNAN,
President St. Andrew's Society.

OTTAWA, November 30th. 1885.

To St. Andrew's Society, Montreal :

The Scots of Ottawa greet their brithers of Montreal, and wish prosperity to them,
and health to their city.

A. F. MCINTYRE, President.

To A. F. McIntyre, President St. Andrew's Society, Ottawa :

"Scots to Scots the world o'er,
Are brithers true an' a' that."

HUGH MCLENNAN,
President St. Andrew's Society, Montreal.

The following words of greeting were then sent out by the Society :—

MONTREAL, St. Andrew's Day.

The President St. Andrew's Society, San Francisco, Cal. :

To St. Andrew's Society :

We're unco' mindfu' o' Scotia's Sons in California. Richt gladly greet ye.

HUGH MCLENNAN, President.

MONTREAL, November 30th, 1885.

To *St. Andrew's Society, Chicago, Ill. :*

Our hearts are wi' ye met to keep the day.

HUGH McLENNAN, President.

MONTREAL, November, 30th, 1885.

To *President St. Andrew's Society, Winnipeg, Man. :*

Brithers in the east send greeting to Scots in the far west. Guid e'en and joy be wi' ye a'.

HUGH McLENNAN, President.

MR. ANDREW A. WILSON was proposed by MR. RIDDELL, and seconded by MR. EWAN McLENNAN. MR. ROBERT SHAW was proposed by COLONEL STEVENSON, and seconded by DR. WANLESS.

Both gentlemen were elected.

The meeting then adjourned; after which refreshments were served by Mr. Campbell, Superintendent of the Home, during which Piper Clark played several fine selections on the pipes.

W. ALEXR. CALDWELL,

Secretary.

HUGH McLENNAN,
President.

DONATIONS DURING THE YEAR.

Robt. Anderson	\$ 20 00	Former Inmate of Home.	5 00
John Porteous	10 00	" " "	5 00
Tees, Wilson & Co.	10 00	John Anderson	4 00
R. A. Ramsay	10 00	J. S. Rielle, P.L.S.	4 00
M. C. Mullarky	10 00	John Porteous	10 00
Caledonian Society ...	100 00		
W. L. Kinmond	15 00	Total	\$203 00

THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS HAVE PAID SUBSCRIPTION
FOR 1885.

Angus, R. B.	Cameron, W. G.	Hodgson, Jonathan
Alexander, Chas.	Cantlie, J. A.	Hope, John
Anderson, J. D.	Davidson, Thos.	Hutchison, A. C.
Anderson, John	Darling, Adam	Hutchinson, Dr.
Angus, Wm.	Darling, Jas.	Inglis, Jas.
Auld, John	Darling, Wm.	Jamieson, R. C.
Anderson, A.	Davidson, Thos.	Johnston, H. J.
Archibald, J. S.	Davis, Moses	Johnston, Jas.
Black, L. S.	Douglas, J. M.	Kay, Geo.
Barclay, Rev. Jas.	Drummond, G. A.	Kerr, Capt.
Baillie, Andrew	Drysdale, W.	King, Warden
Baillie, Chas.	Esdale, R. M.	Kinghorn, G. M.
Baird, John	Ewing, Wm. Jr.	Kinloch, W.
Baxter, M. S.	Ewing, Wm.	Kirk, J. M.
Beattie, John	Ewan, A.	Laing, M.
Becket, R. A.	Ewing, W. Sr.	Leggat, Jas.
Bennett, John	Ferrier, Hon. Jas.	Lyall, Peter
Benning, Jas.	Ferrier, Jas. Jr.	Leslie, A. C.
Benny, Robt.	Forsyth, Robt.	Lowden, J. R.
Brown, D.	French, Robt.	Miller, David
Brown, Jas.	Graham, H.	Morrison, John
Browning, Jas.	Gill, Jas.	Milloy, Alex.
Buntin, Alex.	Gardner, Robt.	Mitchell, Robt.
Cameron, G. A.	Gardner, Robt. Jr.	Morrice, David
Campbell, D. W.	Gardner, W. M.D.	Morris, J. L.
Campbell, Donald	Gillespie, J. A.	Murray, Rev. Prof.
Campbell, Rev. R. C.	Girdwood, Dr. G. W.	McArthur, Alex.
Cassils, Chas.	Graham, Geo.	McArthur, Jas.
Cassils, John	Grant, Angus	McArthur, John
Cassils, Wm.	Greenshields, J. N.	McArthur, C.
Christie, C. T.	Greenshields, E. B.	Macaulay, R.
Clark, A. C.	Greenshields, S.	McBean, A. G.
Cowan, John	Hutchinson, M.	McCulloch, A.
Cowie, Wm.	Hill, Rev. Jas. Edgar	Macculloch, F.
Craik, Dr. Robt.	Haldane, Jas.	McDougall, Alex.
Cunningham, David	Hamilton, Alex.	McDougall, D. L.
Currie, Alex.	Harper, James	McDougall, John
Currie, F. P.	Harte, Jas. A.	McEachran, D.
Currie, Wm.	Harvie, Robt	McGavin, D. M.

McGibbon, Alex.	Patton, Wm.	Smith, Alex.
McGibbon, R. D.	Pringle, T.	Smith, W. B.
McGoun, Arch.	Proudfoot, Dr.	Stephen, Geo.
McIntyre, D.	Ramsay, R. A.	Stewart, Alex.
McIntyre, A.	Ritchie, Hugh	Stirling, John
McKay, Rev. A. B.	Ramsay, W. M.	Simpson, Jas. Jr.
McKay, Hugh.	Rankin, John	Scott, W. P.
McKay, Robt.	Reid, Robt.	Stewart, Dr.
McKenzie, M.	Reid, Wm.	Thom, James
McLachlan, W.	Reid, Wm.	Tough, John
McLaren, J. C.	Riddell, A. F.	Torrance, Judge
McLea, R. P.	Rintoul, W. H.	Urquhart, Jas.
McLean, John	Roach, Walter	Wanless, Dr. Jno.
McLennan, Ewan	Robertson, D.	Watson, J. C.
McLennan, Hugh	Robertson, Jas.	Watson, R. G.
McLennan, John	Robertson, John	Watson, W. W.
Macmaster, D.	Ross, Dr. G. W.	Watson, Jno. Jr.
Macpherson, Alex.	Rough, Andrew	Watt, D. A. P.
Macrae, Geo.	Slessor, Jas.	Watt, Alex.
McTaggart, D.	Spiers, Jas.	Welsh, Jas. H.
Ogilvy, John	Simpson, Jas.	White, W. C.
Oswald, W. R.	Seath, D.	Williamson, Jas.
Paterson, A. T.	Sidey, D. D.	Wilson, J. R.
Paterson, John	Sidey, J. G.	Wilson, Jas. Reid
Paton, Hugh	Shearer, Jas.	Wilson, Walter
Paton, Laird	Simpson, Rollo C.	Wright, Jas.
Patterson, W. J.		

Summary of Treasurer's Receipts and Disbursements from 12th January to 30th November, 1885.

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