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Gentlemen's Committee.

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W. H. NEAL,

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E. D. MEYNELL,

T. A. RITCHIE,

Hon. JER. NORTHUP,

J. M. DEWOLFE,

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Secretary.

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Dentist.

C. E. PUTTNER.

Superintendent.

MR. ABNER HART.

HAIRPAX  
PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Committee of Management

- Rev. E. C. Hill, Chairman
- Mr. J. W. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...

Trustees

- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...
- Mr. ...

Officers

President

Secretary

Treasurer

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## REPORT.

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The year 1876 was the critical year of the Industrial School. We stated in our last report that Mr. Grierson had tendered his resignation and that we were on the outlook for a successor. Mr. Grierson had been Superintendent so long, had been so identified in heart, interests and popular opinion with the institution, and so trusted by the committee, that many were inclined to believe that a change would be fatal. The change, however, has been made, and the committee are happy to announce that the boys were never doing better and the prospects were never brighter than now.

After many inquiries, Mr. Hart was appointed Superintendent. He has now been in the position for nine months and is beginning to feel at home in it. At first there were attempts at insubordination on the part of some of the boys, little plots, rings, and discourtesies, but these having been properly dealt with at the outset, have ceased altogether, and now the general conduct is excellent and the whole establishment works with the harmony and order of a large, well-regulated family. One boy was dismissed for bad conduct; two were handed over to the city authorities, from whom we received them; and three ran away. Besides these, nine left in the course of the year, with consent of the committee, and are doing well at home or their trades. Twelve have been received into the School up to Jan. 29th of this year, eleven of them from the Police Court. We have thus only 28 boys now, or three less than at the date of last year's report. As we then explained, we believe that a new Superintendent should not undertake more than from twenty-five to thirty at first. Now that discipline is established, and the affection of the older boys secured, it will be easy to add to the number, as guarantees for the payment of them are offered.

## A DAY IN SCHOOL.

All have to be up bright and early. Beds are made, and breakfast and family worship over before 9 o'clock. From 8 to 12.30 are work hours; then an hour for dinner, and work again from 1.30 to 5 p. m. At 6.30 is tea, and school under Mr. Halls as teacher from 7 to 9 for four evenings in the week. Family worship is from 9 to 9.30, and all must be in bed by 10 o'clock. On Wednesday evening, instead of the usual school, they assemble at 8 o'clock to a Bible class conducted by the Superintendent. The exercises are commenced by questions being asked on the lesson of the preceding week, and the effort of the teacher is to make the subject intelligible and interesting to the dullest boy. On Saturday evening again all assemble for the great family talk of the week. On that evening the boys have the privilege of asking any questions they like about the management, the food, or any events of the week so far as the school is concerned. They may suggest improvements or changes, and explanations are freely given. This talk, interspersed with singing, goes on for an hour. On Sunday some go to Trinity Church with a shoemaker, who was formerly one of the boys, and who is still boarding in the house. The rest go to Charles Street Church with the Superintendent. Sunday School is held at 3, and is taught by the Superintendent and Mr. DeWolfe.

The drum and fife band is kept up with somewhat of its old efficiency, and lately the boys gave their friends a free musical and literary entertainment. The large hall was filled with an appreciative audience, and the vocal and instrumental music, the dialogues and recitations were so good that it is proposed to repeat the entertainment and charge 10 cents admission for the good of the band. Let us hope that the audience will be as large and appreciative on this occasion as on that.

Of the 28 boys, whose ages it may be said average from 9 to 17 years, fifteen are employed by Mr. Bliss under a special arrangement which is working very satisfactorily. Besides the sum that he pays to the committee, he allows a dollar a week to every boy who comes up to a certain



standard, the money to be kept for him in the savings bank till he leaves the School with consent of the committee, or arrives at 18 years of age. The payment is, of course, consequent also on general good behaviour. Five of his fifteen come up to the required standard as workmen. Besides these 15 shoemakers, 7 boys work at the kindling wood department, 3 do house work, 2 drive the express, and 1 is the tailor.

#### FINANCIAL.

In last report we mentioned that Mr. Grierson was busily occupied winding up the transactions in which he had engaged during the three years in which he had sole management, and that the committee would give him, in this, all possible assistance. When he left us his liabilities were \$3,145.28, and though there were assets to almost the same amount, these, of course, could not be realized. Some of them consisted of horses, farm stock, &c., necessary for the carrying on of the institution properly. Chiefly by personal subscriptions of members of committee, and five hundred dollars taken from Miss Cogswell's legacy of four thousand, the liabilities have been reduced to \$925.41. This debt will be wiped out in the course of the next few months, partly by assets paid and partly by subscriptions, and discounts that have been offered.

The revenue of the school fell short of the expenditure last year by about five hundred dollars. That amount was taken from Miss Cogswell's legacy. The remainder of the legacy, three thousand dollars, was applied to pay off a mortgage that was on the ground since we bought it; and now—thanks to the oldest benefactress of the School—we have no interest to pay, and so sit completely rent free. We would require to raise the price of guarantees for boys from \$40 to \$60; if that can be done we believe that our ordinary income—if it does not fall off any further—will meet our ordinary expenditure. Every appointment, order, sale, expenditure is now controlled by the committee, and visitors can judge for themselves as to the economy and efficiency with which the school is conducted, and the cleanliness and order that reign throughout. We can safely challenge com-

parison with similar institutions elsewhere. The raw material we get is the worst in the city. We will take none other. But believing in the influence of order, industry and personal affection; of cleanliness, education and religion, we seek to prepare our boys for useful and honorable lives. We thank our friends who have sustained us in this work in the past, and ask them not to lose heart and interest. If any of them have spare sets of games with which the boys might occupy their spare hours; dominoes, drafts, a cippiboard, or such like, the Superintendent will thankfully receive them. Old pictorial books will also be useful—and in many other ways our friends can show their interest in us. We feel specially obliged to the Jubilee Sewing Circle, who keep up their work for the school with the old energy and liberality. In their work the honored name of Miss Cogswell is still preserved.

The committee desire to acknowledge again the gratuitous services of Dr. Slayter, Mr. Puttner, and of Mr. H. A. Taylor at whose store in Barrington street all orders for the school are left; the kindly and friendly notices of the press; the contributions in coal of Messrs. Archibald, Hoyt, and Hudson; and the Christmas and New Year's dinners sent by old friends. While the committee hail with pleasure the establishment of new charities in the city, they believe that the citizens of Halifax will never forget the paramount claims of the Industrial School.

Since the year closed, the committee learn with much gratification that the late N. L. West, Esq., has left a legacy of eight hundred dollars to the school. Now, that the mortgage on the premises has been paid, the committee hope to form a small endowment; and this handsome legacy may appropriately be a nucleus for such an endowment as shall ensure the permanency of the Institution.

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

D. H. M. Starr, & C. H. M. Black.....	1
P. C. Hill.....	1
St. Matthew's Sabbath School.....	2
St. Paul's Sabbath School.....	1
Jubilee Sewing Circle.....	3
Edward Binney, Esq.....	1
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.....	1
James Farquhar, Esq.....	1
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	1
Chalmer's Church Sabbath School.....	1
G. H. Starr, Esq.....	1
Late A. K. Doull's Legacy.....	2
City of Halifax.....	12
Miss Lawson.....	1

Donations and Discounts to meet liabilities of the late  
Superintendent:—

Hon. P. C. Hill.....	\$100.00
J. S. Maclean.....	100.00
T. A. Ritchie.....	100.00
E. Binney.....	100.00
Rev. G. M. Grant.....	100.00
Hon. J. Northup.....	100.00
S. M. Brookfield.....	100.00
Jas. Thomson.....	100.00
R. I. Hart.....	100.00
M. P. Black.....	100.00
W. L. Black.....	100.00
Judge Ritchie.....	20.00
Moir & Co.....	133.11
R. Currie.....	22.88
Black, Bros. & Co.....	55.31
Jas. W. Turner.....	57.78
H. H. Fuller.....	19.85
C. Robson & Co.....	8.99
W. & A. Moir.....	1.10
McIntosh & McInnes.....	6.01
Forsyth & Hart.....	3.12
J. Lewis & Sons, Truro.....	27.45
Brookfield & Romans.....	1.06

## SUBSCRIBERS.

The Lieut. Governor.....	\$20.00	Eagar, M. F.....	2.00
Almon, M. B.....	2.00	Evans, W.....	1.00
Albro, Ed.....	20.00	Fletcher, Chas.....	2.00
Avery, Dr.....	20.00	Fraser, R. W.....	10.00
Anderson, Billing & Co.....	10.00	Fraser, W. J.....	2.00
Almon, Dr.....	5.00	Farquhar, Forrest & Co.....	10.00
Anderson, Alex.....	10.00	Friend.....	1.00
Brown, Thos A.....	20.00	Friend.....	1.00
Burns, Adam.....	20.00	Grant, Peter.....	4.00
Black, S. H.....	10.00	Gibson, John.....	10.00
Black, W. L.....	20.00	Gordon & Keith.....	5.00
Black, M. P.....	20.00	Gray, B. G.....	10.00
Black, Bros.....	20.00	Grant, Rev. G. M.....	16.00
Blackadar, C. C.....	1.50	H. B. B.....	1.00
Bremner, Jas. J.....	5.00	Harrington, W. D.....	4.00
Bland, Mrs.....	50.00	Harrington, M. W.....	5.00
Bland, J. B.....	50.00	Haliburton, J. C.....	20.00
Binney, Edw.....	100.00	Hesslein, Henry.....	5.00
Binney, Mrs. S. N.....	10.00	Hesslein, A. G. & L. J.....	5.00
Brown, E. K.....	5.00	His Worship the Mayor, } M. H. Richey..... }	5.00
Brown, Thos.....	4.00	Hill, Hon. P. C.....	25.00
Brookfield, S. M.....	25.00	Hicks, Capt. J.....	15.00
Brown, M. S.....	10.00	Harris, R. C.....	40.00
Black, Miss (Bellevue).....	5.00	Jack, Peter.....	5.00
Creighton, Mrs. W. H.....	1.50	Jones, A. G.....	20.00
Cogswell, H. C.....	25.00	Johnson, J. H.....	5.00
Coleman, W. J. senr.....	5.00	Kaizer, C. & Sons.....	2.00
Cash.....	2.00	Keith, D. G.....	2.00
Clarke, N.....	5.00	King, Mrs. H.....	4.00
Cornelius, J.....	1.00	Kandick, W.....	2.00
Creighton, Jas. G. A.....	4.00	Lawson, Harrington & Co.....	6.00
Creighton, C. A.....	2.00	Lowell, W. L.....	5.00
Chipman Bros.....	4.00	Lathern, Rev. J.....	5.00
Coleman, W. J. junr.....	1.00	Mackintosh, J. C.....	4.00
Cook, H.....	1.00	Moir & Co.....	10.00
Cogswell, Miss S. (Engl'd).....	40.00	Macleay, J. S.....	20.00
Cunard, Wm. (England).....	100.00	Meynell, E. D.....	5.00
DeWolfe, J. M.....	46.00	More, W. S.....	4.00
Duffns & Co.....	20.00	Merton, L. J.....	2.50
Dunbar, Wm.....	4.00	Morrow, J. B.....	10.00
Donaldson, Mrs.....	20.00		
Esson, Mrs.....	10.00		

McLeod, A.....	10.00	Stayner, E. G. & C.....	10.00
Mott, J. P.....	12.00	Stirling, W. S.....	10.00
McAllister, W.....	5.00	Sircorn & Marshall.....	2.00
Mathers, J. H.....	5.00	Silver J. & Co.....	5.00
Northup, Hon. J.....	20.00	Scott, James.....	10.00
Outram, J. Jr.....	1.00	Stairs, W. J.....	30.00
Parker, Dr. D. McN.....	20.00	Smith, B. A.....	3.00
Payzant, J. Y.....	3.00	Skimmings, R. H.....	5.00
Pickford, Robert.....	5.00	Silver, W. C.....	10.00
Poole, H. S.....	5.00	Starr, Geo. H.....	20.00
Reeves, E. H.....	1.00	Thomson, Geo.....	10.00
Rent, Geo.....	9.23	Thompson, P.....	2.00
Ritchie, T. A.....	30.00	Thomson, Mrs. Jas.....	25.00
Ritchie, J. N.....	4.00	Thomson, Jas.....	50.00
Ritchie, T.....	3.00	Wylde, C. J.....	1.00
Robertson, W.....	3.00	Wallace, Mrs. C. W.....	5.00
Smith, J. G.....	1.00	Young, Sir W.....	4.00
Smith, Jas. W.....	5.00	W. H. H.....	50
Smith, Edward.....	10.00		

*Guarantees.*

Hon. P. C. Hill.....	60.00
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	40.00
Edward Binney.....	40.00
St. Matthew's Church S. S.....	140.00
Miss Lawson, Jubilee Boy.....	90.00
Wm. Cunard.....	40.00
Mrs. Wm. Cunard.....	40.00
Bishop Binney.....	40.00
Jubilee Sewing Circle.....	120.00
Charles Street S. School.....	20.00
G. H. Starr.....	40.00
St. Paul's S. School.....	70.00
Brunswick Street S. School.....	20.00
Mrs. Wallace.....	6.00
Chalmer's Church Sabbath School.....	20.00
James Farquhar.....	40.00
Mrs. Francis.....	40.00
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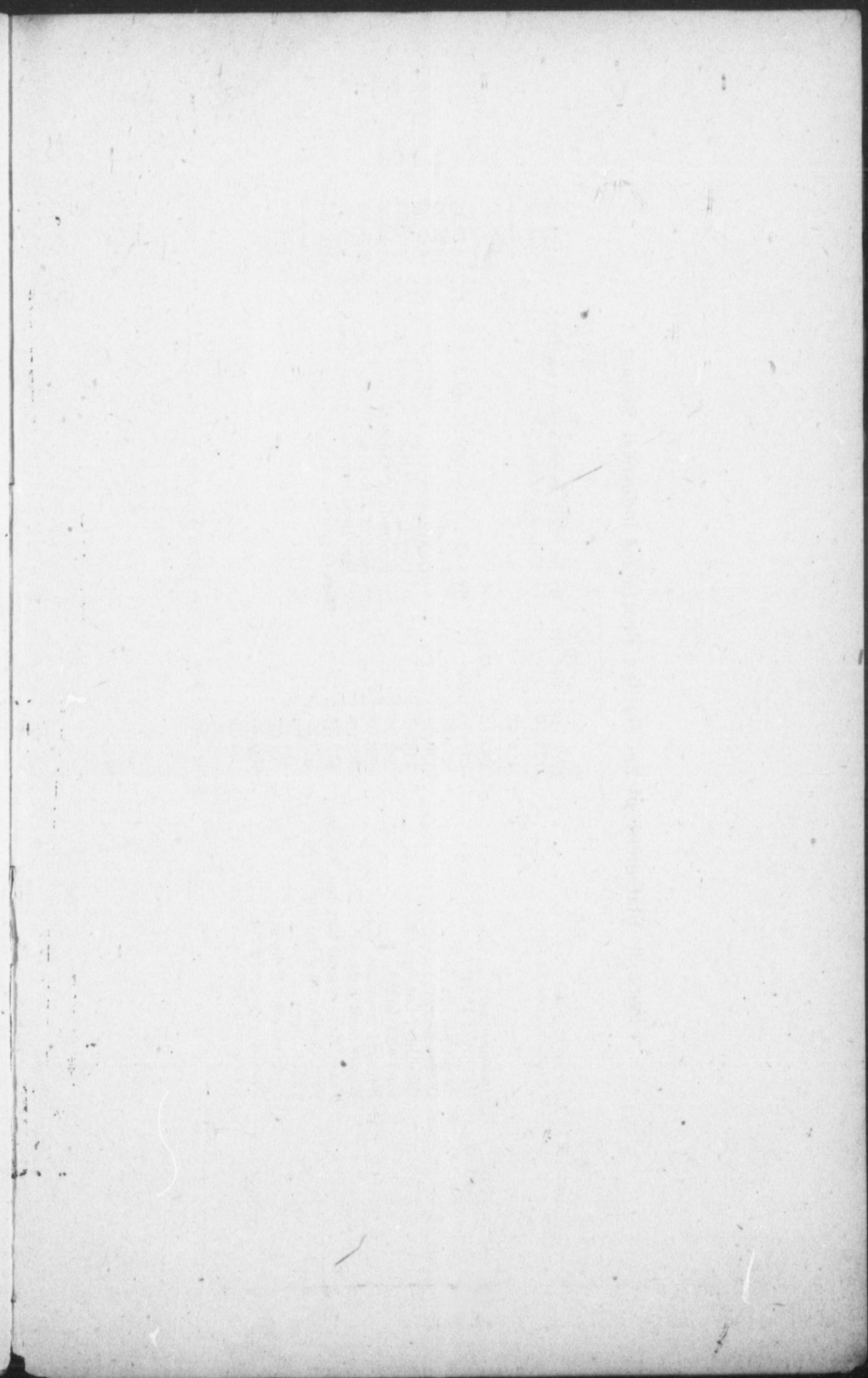
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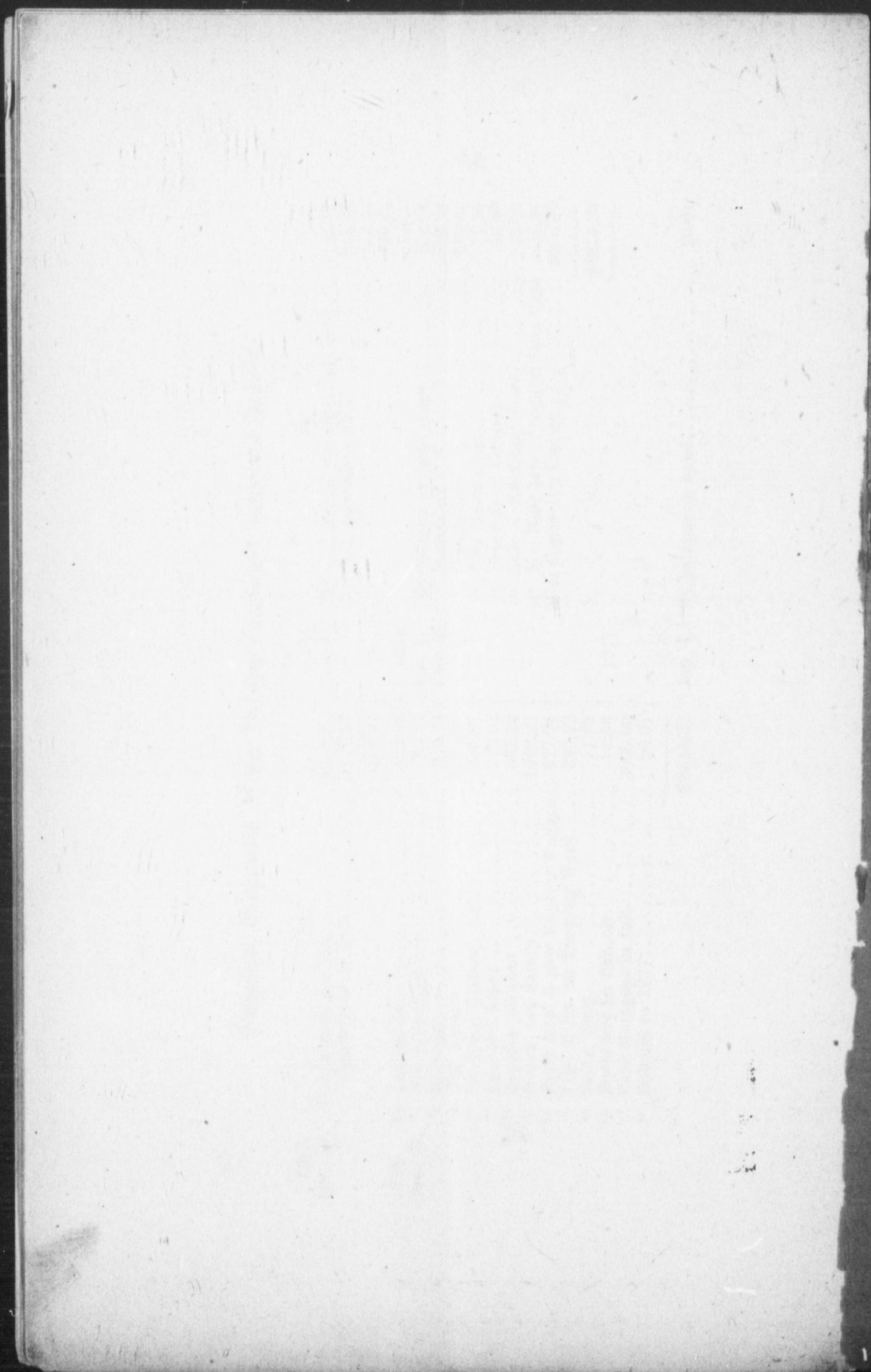
Edward Binney, Esq—2 boxes Raisins, 2 boxes Figs, 2 barrels Apples.  
 Moir & Co—1 box Mixed Biscuits.  
 Mr. Hesslein—8 Geese.  
 Mrs. Meynell—2 Cakes.  
 R. Currie—50 lbs. Meat 10 lbs. Suet.  
 Members of Committee—\$8.50.

Financial Statement of the Halifax Protestant Industrial School.

DR.		CR.	
1875.	To accounts for Dec.....	\$290.55	By bal. cash as per report for 1875...
Dec. 31.	“ Net balance at date.....	177.76	“ Bal. guarantee 1875.....
		<u>468.31</u>	<u>468.31</u>
1876.	To Insurance.....	132.75	By balance brought down.....
Dec. 31.	“ Old debt 1874.....	241.25	“ Donations.....
	“ Sundries.....	854.34	“ Guarantees.....
	“ Diet account.....	1590.69	“ City Guarantees.....
	“ Clothing, Leather, &c.....	785.97	“ Proceeds of Concert.....
	“ Fuel and Light.....	212.03	“ Sale of Kindling Wood.....
	“ Repairs account.....	382.79	“ Mr. Bliss hire of boys in Shoe Dept
	“ Wages and Salary.....	1042.07	Miss Cogswell's Legacy.....
	“ Farm Exp. & new Express Waggon	677.04	<u>4000.00</u>
	“ Frgt. & Ex. on Kindling Wood....	399.29	
	“ Tailor Dept.....	11.99	
	“ Furniture for Schools.....	14.60	
	“ Paid Mortgage in full.....	3000.00	
	“ Balance to 1877.....	20.01	
		<u>\$8814.82</u>	<u>\$8814.82</u>
			1877.
			Jan. 1. By balance on hand.....
			20.01









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