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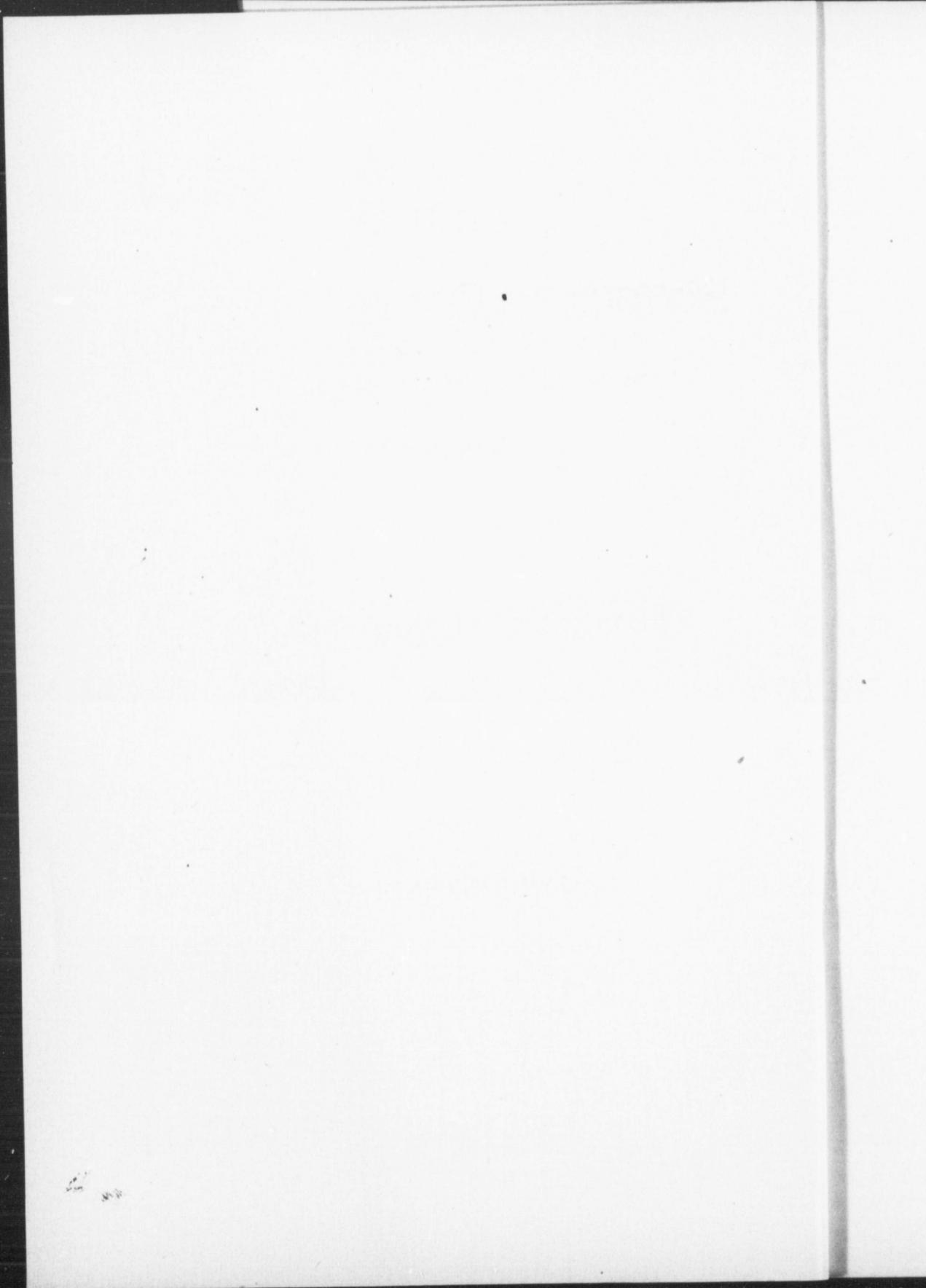


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Managers and Officers of the Institution.

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THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BOARD OF MANAGERS
OF THE
SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND,
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA.

In submitting their 30th Annual Report to the members of the Corporation and friends of the Blind, the Board of Managers desire to express their thanks for the deep interest which has been evinced in the welfare of the Blind of the Maritime Provinces of Canada and Newfoundland, and to acknowledge their gratitude to Almighty God for the many blessings vouchsafed in carrying on this work.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.—For details as to the course of instruction, teaching staff, equipment, etc., we would refer those intrested to the Report of the Superintendent. It is a matter for congratulation that the several departments of the School are so well equipped and efficiently conducted. The need for further accommodation in these departments is now engaging the consideration of the Board, and it is probable that ere long we shall have to again ask our friends to aid us in increasing and extending the facilities for educating the Blind.

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.—In June last, the Matron, Miss Jost, and the Assistant Matron, Miss Aitken, resigned their positions in the School. These vacancies have since been filled by the appointment of Miss Fraser as Matron, and Miss Catherine Fraser as Assistant Matron. Miss Fraser has had several years' experience as housekeeper in the Halifax Ladies' College, and is well qualified to discharge her manifold duties. The Housekeeper, Mrs. Chisholm, has charge of the kitchen, dining room, etc., and has proved herself energetic, capable and economical, and her department reflects

great credit upon her supervision. The Domestic department in a school of this character involves more than ordinary responsibility and care, and requires untiring zeal and oversight.

ATTENDANCE.—It is a matter of satisfaction to your Board that such a large number of young blind persons are taking advantage of the educational privileges which the School affords. The Institution was opened in August, 1871, with four pupils. During its early years the increase in numbers was comparatively small, and it is only during the past decade that the growth has been particularly marked. The following table shows the number of pupils attending the School in each year from Dec. 1st, 1871, to Dec. 1st, 1900 :—

Years.	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
1871	3	3	6
1872	8	3	11
1873	10	5	15
1874	9	5	14
1875	10	3	13
1876	10	7	17
1877	14	7	21
1878	17	7	24
1879	13	7	20
1880	15	10	25
1881	16	7	23
1882	16	8	24
1883	17	9	26
1884	17	11	28
1885	13	11	24
1886	15	9	24
1887	17	10	27
1888	17	10	27
1889	19	12	31
1890	22	9	31
1891	28	11	39
1892	32	14	46
1893	34	13	47
1894	37	15	52
1895	50	20	70
1896	56	30	86
1897	65	37	102
1898	67	39	106
1899	70	42	112
1900	69	48	117

FREE EDUCATION.—When the School was first opened and before it had secured a recognized status in the community, the Board of Managers found it difficult to persuade the parents that any real practical advantage would result from the education of their blind children. It took many years to prove to parents and to the public generally that the School had a definite and most important work to perform and to do this work thoroughly and efficiently, it required more pupils and a larger income. The School was at the time supported by a small grant from the legislature of Nova Scotia, fees from pupils, and interest upon investments. In 1877 the Legislature of New Brunswick made a grant to the Institution and in 1879 the Legislature of Prince Edward Island made its first appropriation towards the education of the blind. The first great step in advance was made in the early part of the year 1882 when the Legislature of Nova Scotia enacted a law, making education free to the Blind throughout the Province. In 1888 the Colony of Newfoundland having sent two pupils to the School, made an appropriation for their education. In 1892 the Legislature of New Brunswick formally adopted the principle of the free education of the Blind and thus stimulated the growth of the School.

It was felt by your Board that it was most important that the education of blind children should commence at the earliest possible age and that an effort should be made to secure amendments to the Acts relating to the Blind in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. The Governments of these Provinces were memorialized with the result that in 1895 the Legislature of Nova Scotia amended the Act relating to the education of the Blind, so as to admit children between the ages of six and ten years, and the Legislature of New Brunswick passed a similar Act in the following year. These wide and liberal amendments materially increased the number of pupils in attendance from these Provinces. The Colony of Newfoundland and the Island of Prince Edward have made annual provision for the education of a limited number of pupils, and have from time to time increased the number so as to meet the applications of those seeking admission to the School. This brief outline shows what has been accomplished during the past thirty years towards securing free education for the Blind of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland. The fact that in 1871 there were only six pupils in attendance, and that in 1900 there are 117, proves that the parents as well as the Blind themselves thoroughly appreciate and are glad to take advantage of the educational privileges which are now placed within their reach.

BUILDINGS.—The main building of our School was completed in 1869. Its dimensions were 80 by 30 feet. It contained a base-

ment and three stories, and its cost was \$14,027.00. The East wing of the School, which is 54 feet by 46 feet, was completed and occupied in May, 1891. It was built at a cost of \$15,954.00. The West wing was opened for occupation in Feb., 1897. Its dimensions are 72 by 46 feet, and its cost was \$23,141.00. In 1877 a wooder building was erected upon the grounds at a cost of \$1,750.00. This building, which is 50 by 25 feet, contains a fine gymnasium and workshop.

These buildings, which cost in all \$54,872.00, are now in an excellent state of repair, and are admirably adapted for the purposes for which they were erected. They contain 92 rooms, including kitchens, pantries, storerooms, 2 large dining rooms, sitting rooms, printing offices, school-room, assembly hall, 15 music rooms, printing office, matron's apartments, dormitories, lavatories, hospital rooms, etc. The Blind are indebted to the Legislature of Nova Scotia and to their many friends for the generous contributions which have enabled your Board to provide these substantial and well-appointed buildings in which to carry on the work of the School.

GROUNDS.—The School, which is situated in one of the most beautiful portions of the City of Halifax, occupies a fine lot of land, bounded on the North, West, South and East by Morris Street, Tower Road, South and South Park Streets. This land at one time formed a portion of the old South Common and was transferred to the School for the Blind in 1868. At this time the grounds were in a very rough state, but they have been gradually improved and beautified, and when the plan now decided on is fully carried out, we shall have as fine and attractive play grounds as any in the Province. The square or lot of land upon which the School is located has been named Murdoch Square, in honor of Mr. William Murdoch to whose original bequest of \$19,466.67 the founding of the School is directly due.

BENEFACTORS.—Since the inception of the School many persons have evinced their deep interest in the welfare of the blind by freely giving of their time or means to further the objects for which it was established. In addition to the large sums of money which have been contributed towards our buildings, library, equipment and other special objects, the Institution has received sixty-five bequests amounting in all to \$69,694.49. These legacies have been invested by your Board in securities of undoubted value, and the dividends and other receipts therefrom have been used to help meet the current expenses of the School. Among our benefactors who have thus aided the School the names of William Murdoch, John P. Mott, and Sir William Young, may be specially mentioned. It can readily be understood that were it not for the income derived

from our endowment many of the educational privileges of our pupils would have to be curtailed. Under these circumstances, and having in view the needs of a growing school, we trust that those who desire to further this work will keep the school in mind, and will remember that the blind for generations to come will benefit by all bequests.

MEMBERS OF BOARD.—Since the first meeting of this Corporation, which was held in the City Council Chamber, Halifax, on April 27th, 1868, thirty-five gentlemen have been elected as members of the Board of Managers. For various reasons some of these gentlemen have retired from the Board, after having given to the School much of their valuable time and attention. Many vacancies have also been caused by death, and the School has in this way lost the co-operation of many of its most devoted and enthusiastic friends. Among these may be mentioned Mr. G. P. Mitchell, who took an active part in the affairs of the School when it was first opened, and Mr. John S. McLean, at one time President of the Board, who for twenty years unstintingly gave to the work his time and thought. It is worthy of note that three of the gentlemen who were elected as members of the Board at the first meeting of the Corporation have continued to serve during the past thirty-two years, and still take an active interest in the welfare of the blind. These are the President, Mr. W. C. Silver, the Treasurer, Mr. John Duffus, and Mr. W. H. Neal. It is with regret that your Board records the death of the Hon. H. H. Fuller, who for the past twenty-one years has been one of the managers of this Institution. Mr. Fuller took a kindly interest in the affairs of the School, and was always ready to do what lay in his power to promote its welfare.

OUTLOOK.—Under the guidance of a kind Providence, the School has for the past thirty years been signally blessed, and your Board have faith to believe that in the coming century, the work which has been so successfully begun, will continue to develop and prosper. We have aimed at making the educational advantages of the Blind of Eastern Canada and Newfoundland, equal, as far as possible, to those enjoyed in larger centres of population and wealth. There are, however, many advantages which we should like to see the pupils of the School enjoying, and many improvements which we shall be pleased to carry out when we have the means at our command.

THE SUPERINTENDENT.—From the third report of the Board of Managers, published in 1873, we quote the following:—"The Board was fortunate in procuring the services of Mr. C. F. Fraser, son of B. D. Fraser, M. D., of Windsor, N. S., who had been thoroughly educated at the Perkins Institute for the Blind at

Boston. From his marked talents, and thorough devotion to his work, they look forward with much confidence to the future."

Twenty-seven years have now passed since the Board thus expressed its opinion as to the abilities of the young Superintendent, and the test of time has more than justified its warmest hopes. Under Mr. Fraser's wise, energetic and enthusiastic administration, the attendance has grown from 15 to 117 pupils, and in all ways he has succeeded in keeping the School so well abreast of the times, that it now ranks as one of the leading institutions of its kind in the world. It is frequently a matter of congratulatory comment with the Board, that the Superintendent's strength and ability seem to expand as continually increasing demands are made upon them, and that he has always found a reward for his devotion to his chosen life work, in the steady progress of the School whose educational, financial and domestic interests are so near to his heart.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS. — In addition to the donations elsewhere acknowledged, your Board gratefully acknowledges the following bequests :

Estate of W. H. Keating of El Doro, California, \$100.00,
estate of Mrs. Susan Chandler of Falmouth, N. S., \$436.70, estate
of Nelson Forrest of Amherst, N. S., \$500.00

The thanks of the Board of Managers are due Doctors Lindsay, Kirkpatrick, and Cogswell. These gentlemen, who attend the pupils free of charge, are always glad to give them the benefit of their professional services. The Board of Managers also desires to express its thanks to Mr. H. B. Clarke, Mr. J. D. Medcalfe, The Halifax Symphony Orchestra, and other individuals and organizations, for kindly admitting the pupils to lectures, concerts, etc., under their respective managements. These entertainments have a distinct educational value and are keenly enjoyed by the boys and girls of the School. The Railways and other transportation companies have our thanks for the special rates granted and for the uniform kindness and care shown to the pupils while travelling to and from their homes.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. C. SILVER.

President.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the President and Board of Managers of the School for the Blind :

GENTLEMEN,—

The table of attendance herewith submitted shows that 132 blind persons have been under instruction during the past year, 79 of whom were males and 53 females. Of these 15 have since graduated, or remained at home, making the total number registered Dec. 1st, 1900, 117, of whom 69 are males and 48 female. Of these 68 are from the Province of Nova Scotia, 34 from New Brunswick, 6 from P. E. Island, 8 from Newfoundland, and one from British Guiana.

TABLE OF ATTENDANCE.

	Boys.	Girls.	Adults.	Total.
Registered Dec. 1st, 1899.....	65	42	5	112
Entered during the year.....	8	11	1	20
Graduated or remained at home....	9	5	1	15
Registered Dec. 1st, 1900.....	64	48	5	117

TEACHING STAFF.—During the past year only two changes have been made in our teaching staff. Mr. T. A. Hubley, a graduate of the School, has taken the place of assistant music master, vacated by Mr. A. W. Duffy, and the position of gymnastic instructor, previously filled by Mr. Robert Layton, has been given to Mr. James Scrimmageour, who comes to us highly recommended.

In the literary department of the School, Miss C. R. Frame, Miss B. Cumming, Mr. S. R. Hussey, Prof. Lanos, and three assistants, have done most effective work. Miss Josie Howe, our Kindergartner, assisted by Miss Campbell and Miss Callanan, has had charge of the pupils between six and ten years of age, and the progress of the little children has been most satisfactory.

Good work has been done in the Musical Department by Prof. A. M. Chisholm, assisted by Miss B. Studd and Mr. T. A. Hubley, piano-forte teachers, Miss Corbin, vocal teacher, and Messrs. Covey, Hanson, and Ivimey, teachers of special instruments.

Mr. D. M. Reid, Tuning Master, Mr. D. A. Baird, Trade Instructor, and Miss Allison, Girls' Work Teacher, have efficiently carried on the instruction in the technical departments.

The physical training of the pupils is in the hands of Mr. James Scrimmgeour, who was appointed to his present position in September last.

All our teachers are thoroughly qualified to discharge their respective duties. They are earnest, energetic, and enthusiastic, and seek by intelligent application to lead their pupils to higher planes of thought and industry. After many years of experience with boys and girls with and without sight, I am convinced that, considering the disadvantages under which our pupils work with respect to suitable text books and appliances, their progress compares favorably with that of sighted pupils in other schools. It must be borne in mind that the musical and technical education of our pupils is carried on side by side with their school work, and that to achieve success in these several departments involves more hours of study and persistent effort than is required of sighted children taking the regular course in the public schools.

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION.—The course of instruction in the School has been arranged to meet as far as possible the requirements of boys and girls of different ages and varied tastes and abilities. For the younger children we have a comprehensive Kindergarten and primary course in which special care is taken to develop the sense of touch and hearing, so as to compensate in some measure for the loss of sight. These pupils also receive a careful training in the rudiments of music, including time, pitch, etc.

The older pupils are graded in five divisions. The work of the first four divisions includes all the branches of study carried on in the eight grades of the public schools with the addition of Typewriting and French. In the Fifth or Preparatory Division, which is intended for pupils who enter the School after they are fifteen years of age, the work is confined almost exclusively to reading and writing in the Braille Point system, and to the study of Arithmetic.

Music, both vocal and instrumental, is studied by the majority of the pupils, and those who display a natural taste or aptitude receive a thorough and careful training as teachers of voice or pianoforte. Special instruction is also given in cornet, clarionet, and mandolin playing. Training is also given to the boys in pianoforte tuning, basket and brush-making and cane-seating; and to the girls in knitting, crocheting, sewing, the use of the sewing machine, weaving and cooking. The arrangement of this course of study has involved a great deal of thought and consideration. The School aims as far as possible to so train its pupils, as to insure their becoming useful and active men and women. While all of the pupils are

benefitted by their training in the school department, it is obvious that were this instruction not supplemented by a special training in the musical or technical departments, many would at graduation be unable to support themselves. When, however, the general education of the pupils is supplemented by the ability to teach vocal or instrumental music, to tune pianofortes, to manufacture baskets and brushes, and to cane seat chairs, or in the case of some of the girls, to make many pretty and useful articles, and to assist in household duties, it is possible for our graduates to take their places in the world side by side with their brothers and sisters with sight. This education and training enables at least eighty per cent. of our graduates to support themselves, while the remaining twenty per cent. are partially self-supporting or at least helpful in their own homes.

PHYSICAL TRAINING.—The importance of physical training to those who are deprived of sight, cannot be overestimated, as upon it depends in a large measure the progress of the pupils in the several departments of the School, and their after success as graduates. Under proper supervision the older pupils can be instructed to take part in many athletic exercises and sports, while in addition to regular daily drill, the younger boys and girls can be taught to swing, tilt, run and skip about the playgrounds with ease and fearlessness. Our spacious grounds are laid out for the pupils. Each turn in the paths is indicated by markers which the pupil recognizes the moment his foot touches them. Our Rob Roy, Giant Stride, and Snow Chute, afford healthful recreation for the play hours. We have now at the foot of our grounds a pretty lakelet measuring 120 by 60 feet. This will afford the pupils a fine opportunity for learning to skate during the winter season, and will unquestionably do much to promote their health and happiness. Mr. James Scrimmageour, our enthusiastic instructor of Gymnastics, takes a deep interest in the physical well being of the pupils, and under his direction the boys are keenly contesting for priority in pole kicking, shot throwing, and out door sports.

EQUIPMENT.—While the equipment of the School in the matter of buildings, school appliance, libraries, musical instruments, etc., is well abreast of the times, it still leaves much to be desired. Our dormitories and sleeping apartments are already filled to the limit of their capacity, additional school-rooms are urgently required, the need of enlarging our assembly hall, or of erecting a new and more commodious hall is yearly becoming more apparent, while the space allotted to our musical and technical departments is so fully occupied, that without additional room, expansion is impossible. Our hospital accommodation has recently been improved through the alterations made in the upper part of our main building during the summer vacation, but under the present circumstances, the

isolation of pupils having infectious or contagious diseases, is almost impossible. This difficulty cannot be overcome until the cottage hospital suggested in a previous report is erected upon our grounds.

Our equipment of school appliances is the best that can be procured, and in this respect the School holds a leading place among her sister institutions.

Thanks to the many friends of the School, our library of books printed in the Braille Point system is one of the best in the world.

Some years ago your Board adopted the plan of renting instead of purchasing the pianos and cabinet organs used in the practice rooms. In consequence of this, our musical departments are now supplied with first-class instruments, and our pupils no longer suffer the disadvantages of practicing upon second-rate or worn out pianofortes. Those conversant with the study of music will readily appreciate how much the development of an ear for music, and the technical training of the pupils, depend upon the use of really good pianos.

Our Gymnasium is commodious, well lighted, and sufficiently heated, but as yet we have not had the means to purchase anything like a complete outfit of physical appliances. A good beginning has been made, but an additional supply of apparatus costing about \$500.00 is necessary to meet the requirements of the School.

DEATHS.—It is with regret that I record the deaths of two pupils during the past school year. On Easter Sunday, Florence Flinn, of Halifax, a young girl of eighteen, died of pneumonia after a brief illness. This young lady was beloved by all, and her death made a deep impression upon her fellow pupils. Stanley Day, of Moncton, N. B., a young man of nineteen years of age, who had for many years suffered from hip disease, died at the Victoria General Hospital in August last, after a long and painful illness, which was borne with patience and resignation. These two young people were constitutionally far from strong, and had they lived, their lives would have been shadowed by ill health and by complete dependence upon their relatives and friends. Under these circumstances death came as a merciful release from pain and sorrow.

HEALTH RECORD.—In September a light type of measles made its appearance in the School, and twenty of the pupils were taken down by the disease. Thanks to the care of Doctor Lindsay and the good nursing which they received no ill-effects developed. The general health of the teachers and domestic staff, and of the remainder of the household, has been well up to the average record of any previous year.

GRADUATES.—At the close of the last School year, first-class cer-

tificates as teachers of music were awarded to the following graduates:—T. A. Hubley, of Halifax, N. S.; Walter Barnes, of St. John's, Newfoundland; and Miss Martha Rankin, of Chipman, N. B. A teacher's certificate was also given to Earnest Ogilvie, of Harborville, N. S. John Swain, of Clyde River, N. S., received a trade certificate for brush-making and cane-seating. These graduates have made a fair start in life, and may be expected to give a good account of themselves. The following table shows the occupations now followed by those who have been under instruction in this School, with the percentage of the graduates in each calling:—

<i>Teaching Music</i> , (pianoforte, organ or voice).....	39	per cent.
<i>Pianoforte Tuning</i>	11	"
<i>Manufacturing</i> , (willow baskets, brushes and chair-seating).....	15	"
<i>Engaged as shopkeepers, traders, agents, lecturers, teachers, caterers, and manufacturers</i>	15	"
<i>At Home</i> , (partially self-supporting).....	20	"

It is worthy of note that 20 per cent. of our graduates are married and settled in homes of their own. Of these 16 per cent. are men and 4 per cent. women. The marriages have in all cases been made with people with sight.

NEW OCCUPATIONS.—So many and so varied have been the occupations followed by individual blind persons, that it would seem almost as if blindness was in no sense a bar to success in any calling. The late Dr. T. R. Armitage, of London, cites many instances of blind persons who have been successful as Lawyers, Clergymen, Merchants, Bankers, Architects, Builders, Farmers, Dairymen, Cattle-dealers, Carpenters, Shoemakers, Clockmakers, Harnessmakers, Sailors, Fishermen, Tea-tasters, and Cutters of precious stones, etc. One of our own graduates is successfully carrying on a grist mill, and another as an employer of labour, is running a lath and shingle factory. While I have no doubt that blind persons may in individual cases succeed in the foregoing professions and callings, there is, nevertheless, great need for new occupations for those who have not the natural force or aptitude to mark out for themselves their own lines of life. This is specially true of blind girls. Many of them may be trained to be successful teachers of music, but the outlook for those who have not a decided musical taste is far from bright. Having this in mind, we have of late been training our girls in cooking and household work, and the experiment has proved most encouraging. One of our girls has recently learned the art of shampooing the hair and has taught it to several of the pupils. In this calling blindness seems to be no great hindrance, and it would appear that at least one new and light occupation had been found for blind women,

There is no doubt that Massage could be successfully practiced by the blind, and it is pleasing to note that a number of medical men in London have become deeply interested in the proposal to train young blind women for this calling, and have expressed their belief that well-trained blind persons would make excellent Masseurs. The question of the occupation of the blind is at present awakening a deep interest in Europe and America, and we hope that the outcome may result in the discovery of several new and suitable occupations.

PRINTING.—The stereotyping machine and point print press presented to the school by Mr. H. M. Whitney, have been most useful. In addition to circular letters, songs, and choruses, produced in our printing office, we have struck off an excellent volume dealing with Harmonic Notation, a comprehensive dictionary, and the first volume of Zobanaky's Gallin Paris Cheve method of sight singing. These publications have been of great service to the pupils in their literary and musical studies.

SCHOLARSHIPS.—Owing to the many appeals that during the past year have been made to the people of the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, I have thought it best to postpone taking active measures toward securing a sufficient sum to establish a scholarship or scholarships for talented or deserving graduates. The century funds which are being raised by the different Christian churches, and the appeals for contributions to the respective patriotic funds, have met with such a generous response that I felt it would be ungrateful on my part to bring forward at this time a specific appeal for the higher education of the blind. The project is one I have very much at heart, and while it may be the part of prudence to hold the matter in abeyance for a time, it must not be supposed that it is forgotten, or that the project will not ultimately be successfully carried out.

CONCLUSION.—In conclusion, gentlemen, accept my sincere thanks for the cordial support you have given me in the administration of the affairs of this large and growing school. Your kindly help, and your counsel and advice have always proved a source of strength to me, and have made easy the duties which devolve upon me as Superintendent and Secretary. God grant that the work for the blind in the Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland, which has been so nobly supported during the last three decades of the 19th century, may in the coming century be so broadened and developed that for generations to come it may prove a blessing to those who are deprived of sight.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. F. FRASER,
Superintendent.

Register of Pupils in Attendance, Dec. 31st, 1900.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Jennie Muise.....	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
Louise Muise	Bellville	" "
Julienne LeVert.....	Friar's Head	Inverness
Harriet Miller	Rhodes' Corner	Lunenburg
Minnie Wynaecht.....	LaHave Branch	"
Josie Sperry	Petite Riviere	"
Francis Walsh	Bridgewater	"
Dora Neaves..	Port Lorne	Annapolis
Flossie Patterson	Margaretsville	"
Cora Longley	Green Harbour	Shelburne
Lauretta Patton	North Wallace	Cumberland
Emma Delahunt	Parrsboro..	"
Isabel Burgess.....	Sheet Harbour	Halifax
Alice Jollimore.....	Upper Prospect..	"
Ethel Jollimore	"	"
Ruby Goodall	Bedford Basin Road....	"
Nellie Taylor.....	Halifax City	"
Pearl McLeod	"	"
Jessie Gladwin	"	"
Mabel Shrum	"	"
Amanda Pineo	Kentville	Kings
Nellie Hayes.....	Black Rock	"
Eva Fogarty	Mount Uniacke.....	Hants
Annie George	Whitehead	Guysboro
Cecelia Ehler.....	Queensport	"
Nellie McLeod	Liverpool	Queens
Evelyn Ellis	Digby	Digby
Florence Cowie	Westport	"
Lulu Curtis	Onslow..	Colchester
Ella Fletcher	DeBert.....	"

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Clara McNeil	Glace Bay	Cape Breton
Rachael McLeod.....	Point Aconi.....	"
Mary Shea.....	Ingonish	Victoria
Thomas Fletcher.....	DeBert	Colchester
William Smith.....	Truro.....	"
Lemuel Rushton.....	Londonderry	"
Orland Slack	Folleigh Lake	"
Harold Rozee	Truro	"
Charles Kaulbach.....	New Germany.....	Lunenburg
Joseph Emino	Hebb's Cross.....	"
George Slauchinwhite..	Italy Cross	"
Joseph Burke	St. Peters..	Richmond
Alex. Duncan	Aylesford	Kings
Peter White	Yarmouth	Yarmouth
George Melancon	Bell Neck	"
Russel Briggs	Amherst	Cumberland
Wingate Schofield.....	Gaspereau	Kings
John Keefe	Canso	Guysboro
Benjamin Cook	Roachvale	"
Hiram Cosby.....	Bear River	Digby
Daniel Morrison	Black Brook	Cape Breton
Samuel Hayden.....	Jordan Falls	Shelburne
Charles Howell	Lockport	"
John A. McDonald.....	Glassburn	Antigonish
Fred. Roach	Cheticamp	Inverness
Archibald Stuart	N. E. Margaree.....	"
John McDonald	Little Mabou.....	"
James Sandford	Walton Road	Hants
Percy Cox.....	Selma	"
Edward Flemming	Ketch Harbour.....	Halifax
James Rousse	Wellington	"
Albert Goodall	Bedford Basin Road....	Halifax
Andrew McDonald.....	New Glasgow	Pictou
Samuel Geller	Halifax City	
Frank Kline	"	
Clyde Margeson	"	
Reginald West	"	
William Chambers	"	

PROVINCE OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Louise Blaksley.....	Hartland	Carlton
Lelia McGibbon	Moore's Mills	Charlotte

Name.	Place.	Municipality.
Celestine Cormier	Moncton	Westmoreland
Emma Legere	Shediac	"
Sarah Legere.....	"	"
Nellie Smith	York Mills	York
Anna Corbin	St. Leonards	Madawaska
Adeline Malliet.....	Chockfish	Kent
Mary Blanchard	St. Charles.....	"
Maude Robechaud	"	"
Ellen McLeod.....	Coldbrook..	St. John
Alberta Kimsella	St. John City	
Muriel Stewart	St. John City	
Paul Duffy	Hillsboro..	Albert
Leon Duffy	"	"
Sandford Upham	Prosser Brook	"
John Johnson	Chatham	Northumberland
Hollis Lindsay	Woodstock	Carleton
William McLellen	St. George	Charlotte
Walter Day.....	Moncton	Westmoreland
Albert Thibsdeau	"	"
Olivier Cormier	"	"
Frank Hannah	"	"
Edward Legere	Shediac	"
Allan Morgan	Canterbury	York
Robert Rankin	Chipman	Queens
Charles Campbell	Sussex	Kings
Vaughan McNair.....	Cardwell	"
Grover Livingston	Harcourt	Kent
Louis DeGrace	St. Ignatius	"
Arthur Lindsay	St. John City	
Ernest Kenny.....	"	
Albert McAfee	"	
Leslie Belyea	"	

NEWFOUNDLAND.

Minnie Donovan.....	St. John's City
Edgar A. Bursey	Hants Harbour
Ralph A. Morgan	Salmon Cove
Henry Anthony	"
James McCarthy	Bay of Islands
William Shirley	Fortune Bay
Thomas Fitzgerald	Bonavista Town
James Byrne	St. John's City

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

Lizzie McIntosh.....Selkirk Road
 Vernor Jones.....Pownel
 Frank McDonald.....Charlottetown
 George McPherson "
 Roy McGregor.... ..Pownel
 Fidel Arsenaull.....Summerside

Herbert DalzielSt. George, British Guiana

ENTERED DURING THE YEAR.

Jessie Gladwin.....Halifax, N. S.
 Mabel Shrum..... "
 Mary Shea.....Ingonish, C. B.
 Flossie Patterson.....Margaretsville, N. S.
 Nellie HayesBlack Rock, N. S.
 Cecelia Echler.....Queensport, N. S.
 Nellie McLeod.....Liverpool, N. S.
 Minnie Wynacht.....Bridgewater, N. S.
 Adeline Malliet.....Chockfish, N. B.
 Mary Blanchard.....St. Charles, N. B.
 Maude RobechaudSt. Charles, N. B.
 Percy Cox.....Selma, N. S.
 Edward Flemming.....Ketch Harbour, N. S.
 Andrew McDonald.....New Glasgow, N. S.
 Allan MoranCanterbury, N. B.
 Arthur LindsaySt. John, N. B.
 Thomas Fitzgerald.....Bonavista, Nfld.
 James ByrneSt. John's, Nfld.
 Fidel Arsenaull.....Summerside, P. E. I.
 Herbert Dalziel.....St. George, BritishGuiana.

GRADUATED OR REMAINED AT HOME.

Blanche BrewsterRoss Creek, N. S.
 Florence Flinn.....Halifax, N. S.
 Zoe DoucetGrand Etang, C. B.
 Martha Rankin.....Chipman, N. B.
 Francis Moore.....Fermuese, Nfld.
 Thomas Hubley.....Halifax, N. S.
 Ernest Ogilvie.....Harbourville, N. S.
 Harry GiffinIsaac's Harbor, N. S.

John Swain.....	Port Clyde, N. S.
Joseph Couchard.....	Halifax, N. S.
Stanley Day.....	Moncton, N. B.
Edward Riley	St. John, N. B.
William Rankin	Chipman, N. B.
William Nichols	St. John, N. B.
Walter Barnes.....	St. John's, Nfld.

PRIZES.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

1st Division.

- 1st Prize*—Vernor Jones, Pownel, P. E. I.
2nd Prize—Nellie Taylor, Halifax, N. S.

2nd Division.

- 1st Prize*—Frank McDonald, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
2nd Prize—Leon Duffy, Hillsboro, N. B.

3rd Division.

- 1st Prize*—Emma Legere, Shediac, N. B.
2nd Prize—Orland Slack, Folleigh Lake, N. S.

4th Division.

- 1st Prize*—Grover Livingston, Harcourt, N. B.
2nd Prize—Olivier Cormier, Moncton, N. B.

5th Division.

- 1st Prize*—Robert Rankin, Chipman, N. B.
2nd Prize—Benjamin Cook, Roachvale, N. S.

BOYS' MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

- 1st Prize for pupil over 15 years of age*, Thomas Hubley,
Halifax, N. S.
Prize for Harmonic Notation and Theory of Music, Thomas
Fletcher, DeBert, N. S.
2nd Prize for pupil under 15 years of age, Oliver Cormier,
Moncton, N. B.

GIRLS' MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

- 1st Prize for pupil over 15 years of age*, Nellie Taylor,
Halifax, N. S.
2nd Prize for pupil under 15 years of age, Clara McNeil,
Glâce Bay, C. B.

PRIZES FOR SPELLING CONTESTS.

(Offered by two friends of the School.)

1st Prize—Prize divided between Thomas Hubley, Halifax, N. S.,
Walter Burns St. John's, Nfld.*2nd Div., 1st Prize*—Edward Riley, St. John, N. B.*2nd Prize*—Henry Anthony, Salmon Cove, Nfld.

PRIZES OFFERED BY MRS. C. F. FRASER, FOR BEST ESSAYS.

1st Div., 1st Prize—Vernor Jones, Pownel, P. E. I.*2nd Prize*—Frank Kline, Halifax, N. S.*2nd Div., 1st Prize*—Leon Duffy, Hillsboro, N. B.*2nd Prize*—Clara McNeil, Glace Bay, C. B.

FRENCH PRIZES.

(Offered by Prof. Lanos.)

*Senior Division.**1st Prize*—Hollis Lindsay, Woodstock, N. B.*2nd Prize*—Divided between John A. McDonald, Glassburn, N. S.,
and Grover Livingston, Harcourt, N. B.

FRENCH PRIZE.

(Offered by Miss Cummings.)

*Junior Division.**1st Prize*—Russel Briggs, Amherst, N. S.*2nd Prize*—Celestine Cormier, Moncton, N. B.

BENEFACTORS.

BY-LAWS, ART. 2.—The payment of five hundred dollars at one time shall constitute a benefactor of the Institution. Any person who has served for ten consecutive years as a member of the Board of Managers, or who shall have performed such services as the Board of Managers shall deem worthy of recognition, shall be entitled to be enrolled as a benefactor of the Institution.

1867—Wm Murdoch,	Halifax, N. S.	1887—James A. Buist,	Halifax, N. S.
1868—Hon. M. B. Almon	"	1887—Mrs. E. Binney	"
1868—Sir Fenwick Williams	"	1887—George Mitchell	"
1869—Hon. Wm. Cunard	"	1887—Sir Wm. Young	"
1869—Hon. Enos Collins	"	1889—Hon. H. H. Fuller	"
1871—A. K. Doull	"	1889—John Gibson	"
1876—G. P. Mitchell	"	1890—J. P. Mott	"
1876—N. L. West	"	1890—E. D. Meynell	"
1877—J. M. Walker	"	1891—Hon. S. L. Shannon	"
1878—Hon. M. H. Richey	"	1891—M. P. Black	"
1878—W. C. Silver	"	1891—John Naylor	"
1878—J. S. McLean	"	1892—J. C. Mackintosh	"
1878—John Duffus	"	1895—Rev. Thos. DeWolf,	Windsor, N. S.
1878—S. A. White	"	1896—Jairus Hart	Halifax, N. S.
1878—W. H. Neal	"	1896—Thos. Ritchie, Q. C.	"
1878—J. F. Avery, M. D.	"	1896—Hon. W. S. Fielding	"
1882—W. P. West	"	1896—Hon. A. G. Blair,	Fredericton, N. B.
1882—John King	"	1897—W. G. C. Ketchum, C. E.	"
1882—W. K. Reynolds	"	1897—Adam Burns,	Halifax, N. S.
1886—George Thompson	"	1900—J. Y. Payzant,	Halifax, N. S.
1886—A. Shields	"	1900—Nelson Forrest,	Amherst, N. S.

LIFE MEMBERS.

BY-LAWS, ART 2.—Donors of twenty-five dollars at one time, and members who have served the office of Manager not less than three consecutive years, shall be constituted life members of the Institution.

C. W. Anderson, Halifax.	G. S. Campbell,	Halifax.
J. W. Allison, "	Bishop Courtney,	"
J. H. Angwin, "	Mrs. G. M. Clark	"
C. Archibald, "	Sir M. B. Daly,	"
Rev. F. H. W. Archbold, Halifax.	J. C. Dumaresq,	"
D. Archibald, "	D. H. Duncan,	"
H. P. Burton, "	Wm. Esson,	"
H. W. Barnes, "	T. E. Everett,	"
S. G. Black, "	C. F. Fraser,	"
Mrs. S. G. Black,	S. S. Forrest,	"
W. A. Black, "	R. W. Fraser,	"
W. J. Butler, "	Geo. Francklyn,	"
Hon. R. Boak, "	G. E. Faulkner,	"
A. B. Boak, "	T. R. Gue,	"
G. E. Boak, "	A. Gunn,	"
A. M. Bell, "	M. C. Grant,	"
H. G. Bauld, "	W. W. Gates,	"
C. C. Blackadar,	Wm. Hare,	"
Miss C. Black,	R. I. Hart,	"
James Billman,	Levi Hart,	"
W. H. Creighton,	Mrs. H. Howe	"
John Cronan,	W. D. Harrington,	"
M. Carney,	W. G. Harris,	"
Wm. Chisholm,	Judge Henry,	"
B. W. Chipman,	J. A. Johnson,	"

Hon. A. G. Jones,	Halifax.	Hon. W. S. Pipes, Amherst, N. S.
T. E. Kenny	"	N. A. Rhodes,
J. F. Kenny,	"	John McKeen,
D. Keith,	"	C. W. Hewsen, M. D.
E. J. Lordly,	"	J. M. Townshend,
J. R. Lithgow,	"	A. W. Moffat,
G. E. Lavers,	"	M. D. Pride
R. McDonald,	"	T. S. Whitman, Annapolis, N. S.
C. F. Mott,	"	Mrs. H. McLean, Bridgetown, N. S.
Miss Mott,	"	J. M. Owen, Annapolis, N. S.
Miss E. Mott,	"	Edmund Bent, Bridgetown, N. S.
John McNab,	"	E. D. Davison, Bridgewater, N. S.
Andrew Mackinlay,	"	Hon. W. H. Owen,
James Morrow,	"	Frank Davison,
Rev. E. F. Murphy,	"	W. L. Libbey,
Mrs. Jas. Moren,	"	Mrs. S. Sheffield, Canning, N. S.
A. S. Mitchell,	"	Hon. F. W. Borden, Canning, N. S.
Hector McInnis,	"	T. C. Shreve, Q. C., Digby, N. S.
Hon. D. McKeen,	"	G. E. Jost, Guysboro, N. S.
Archbishop O'Brien,	"	H. M. Jost,
Mrs. O'Dell,	"	J. B. North, Hantsport, N. S.
F. H. Oxley,	"	B. Webster, Kentville, N. S.
Hon. D. McN. Parker,	"	A. J. Wolff, Lunenburg, N. S.
Mrs. D. McN. Parker,	"	Miss Sterns, Liverpool, N. S.
Robt Pickford,	"	A. W. Moren,
B. F. Pearson,	"	L. J. Matheson, L'Ardoise, N. S.
Hon. L. G. Power	"	James Cosman, Meteghan, N. S.
W. B. Ross,	"	Mrs. C. Gray, Mahone Bay, N. S.
Wm. Robertsen,	"	J. A. Gates, Middleton, N. S.
J. J. Scriven,	"	Graham Fraser, New Glasgow, N. S.
Hon. W. J. Stairs,	"	Mrs. D. Grant,
J. H. Symonds,	"	P. A. McGregor,
John F. Stairs,	"	J. D. McGregor,
Alex. Stephen,	"	H. T. Sutherland,
E. B. Sutcliffe,	"	H. V. Jamieson,
Wiley Smith,	"	A. N. Paint, Port Hawkesbury, N. S.
J. Wesley Smith,	"	M. L. Tucker, Parrsboro, N. S.
Mrs. G. H. Starr,	"	A. J. Townshend, M. D., Parrsboro, N. S.
Alfred Shortt,	"	O. S. Price, Parrsboro, N. S.
Mrs. E. Smith,	"	J. Smith Grant, Pictou, N. S.
W. H. Stimpson,	"	H. Primrose,
Edward Stairs,	"	G. R. Chisholm,
George Stairs,	"	A. A. Ferguson,
E. G. Smith,	"	E. McPhail,
Mrs. Allison Smith,	"	R. D. Stiles,
Stephen Tobin,	"	M. McGregor M. D., Ritchey's Cove.
G. J. Troop,	"	R. H. Brown, Sydney Mines, N. S.
W. H. Troop,	"	Alex. Matheson, Sydney, N. S.
W. H. Thompson,	"	Miss Brookman,
Mrs. Wm. Twining,	"	W. J. Gillespie, Shulee, N. S.
Wm. Twining,	"	J. W. Seaman,
John White,	"	A. E. Fraser, Springhill, N. S.
W. N. Wickwire, M. D.	"	J. R. Cowans,
E. L. Thorne,	"	Martin Dickey, Truro, N. S.
A. N. Whitman,	"	A. S. Black,
W. H. Webb,	"	R. F. Black,
H. N. Wallace,	"	Archdeacon Kaulbach, Truro, N. S.
Arthur Wiswell,	"	Israel Longworth, Truro, N. S.
W. H. Wiswell,	"	Mrs. Wiggins, Windsor, N. S.
N. Curry, Amherst, N. S.	"	Rufus Curry,
Thos Dunlap,	"	J. M. Smith,
J. R. Lamy,	"	H. P. Scott,
M. A. Logna	"	C. DeW. Smith,

N. S.
 W. H. Chase, Wolfville, N. S.
 S. P. Benjamin, "
 Charles Fergie, Westville, N. S.
 Jos. Bingay, Yarmouth, N. S.
 E. F. Clements, "
 Robert Caie, "
 Mrs. Robert Caie, "
 Chas. Grantham, "
 Miss Killam, "
 Capt. Thos. Kelley, "
 Wm. Law, "
 Hon. Mrs. W. G. Stopford, Yar., N.S.
 Mrs. Jas Lovitt, Yarmouth, N.S.
 Willard Kitchen, Fredericton, N. B.
 Mrs. Henry Ketchum, "
 Mrs. Medley, "
 Hon. A. F. Randolph, "
 J. A. Vanwart, "
 Mrs. Twining, "
 D. Pottinger, Moncton, N. B.
 J. W. Y. Smith, "
 Joshua Peters, "
 Mrs. W. Steeves, "
 Alex. Gibson, Marysville, N. B.
 Joseph Allison, St. John, N. B.
 Mrs. Jos. Allison, "
 L. J. Almon, "
 W. A. Murray, "
 W. B. Rankin, "
 J. F. Robertson, "
 Mrs. G. F. Smith, "

Bishop Sweeney, St. John, N.B.
 J. V. Ellis, "
 J. L. Black, Sackville, N. B.
 C. Fawcett, "
 G. F. Beer, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
 L. L. Beer, "
 W. E. Dawson, "
 Judge Alley, "
 James Paton, "
 Hon. F. Peters, "
 A. Kennedy, "
 W. A. Weeks, "
 Bishop McDonald, "
 Angus McDonald, "
 Hon. Benj. Rogers, "
 Hon. A. B. Warburton, "
 J. C. James, "
 A. P. Prowse, Murray Har., P. E. I.
 Bishop Howley, St. Johns, Nfld.
 Bishop Jones, "
 Hon. J. S. Pitts, "
 H. A. Flemming, Halifax, N. S.
 Lieut-Gen. Montgomery-Moore, G. B.
 Mrs. Smyth, Chatham, Eng., G. B.
 Lieut-Gen. Lord Alex. Russell, G. B.
 Capt. Lowry, 47th Regt., G. B.
 Lieut. Thos. A. W. Cochran, R.N., G.B.
 Sir John Ross, K.C.B., G. B.
 A. Graham Bell, Washington, U.S.A.
 John D. Miller, New York, U.S.A.

MEMBERS.

BY-LAWS, ART. 2.—Any subscriber to the funds of the Institution to the amount of five dollars and upwards may be constituted a member by the Board of Managers at one of their regular meetings, and so continue during the annual payment of five dollars.

Prof. Chas. McDonald, Halifax.
 Mrs. C. C. Blackadar, "

Prof. Kennedy, Windsor.
 Mrs. Kennedy, Windsor.

LEGACIES.

1886—Wm. Murdoch, Halifax	\$19466 67	1889—Mrs. W. L. Wilmot, Fredericton, N.B.	\$ 250 00
1871—Jane Molloy, Halifax	88 77	Miss Ellen Smith, Summersville, Hants Co.	16 70
1872—Robert Noble, "	100 00	James F. Avery, M.D., Halifax	500 00
1874—R Purvis, Pugwash	100 00	S. A. White, Halifax	1000 00
1875—Jas. McDonald, Green Hill, Pictou	150 00	John Gibson, "	1000 00
1876—Miss Jane M. Tonge, Windsor	20 00	1890—Finlay Campbell, Charlottetown, P.E.I.	100 00
1876—N. L. West, Halifax	800 00	J. P. Mott, Halifax	20138 50
1877—J. Walker, "	500 00	G. G. Gray, "	181 17
1878—W. L. Black, "	250 00	1891—John Naylor, "	526 75
1879—Chas. Roche, "	100 00	M. P. Black, "	500 00
Miss Service, "	400 00	1893—S'r E. Kenny, "	400 00
1880—Mrs. Williamson, "	200 00	A. K. Doull, "	1849 33
G. Frieze, Maitland	100 00	1894—Miss E. Cronan, Halifax	100 00
Ann Wilson, Halifax	100 00	Duncan Waddell, Dart.	375 52
1880—Ann Hunter, "	20 00	1895—Miss E. Heales St. John	200 00
1882—John Saunders, Burlington, Hants, Co.	416 33	Rev. Thomas DeWolfe, Windsor	500 00
John King, Halifax	600 00	1896—Mrs. Keith, Halifax	200 00
W. West, "	100 00	Mons. Carmody, Halifax	50 00
W. K. Reynolds, "	200 00	1897—W. G. C. Ketchum, C.E., Fredericton	500 00
1883—Joseph Hart, Baddeck	100 00	Adam Burns, Halifax	250 00
Mrs. G. Gumm, Halifax	40 00	1898—Lady Kenny,	200 00
1884—Hugh Elliott, "	100 00	1899—Mrs. Chas. Murdoch, London, G. B.	450 00
Alex. McLeod, "	100 00	Estate Gilbert Pugsley, acct., Amherst	200 00
1885—James Thompson, "	100 00	Est. Miss H. F. Allison, Halifax	50 00
H. Hesslein, "	100 00	Estate E. P. Archbold, acct., Halifax	25 00
1886—S. S. B. Smith, "	100 00	1900—Estate Nelson Forrest, Amherst	500 00
A. Shield, Dartmouth	553 00	Estate Mrs. Chandler, Falmouth	436 70
Jas. G. Merkel, Halifax	50 00	Estate W. H. Keating, El Dero, Cal.	100 00
1887—J. C. McDonald, "	50 00		
W. H. Merkel, "	50 00		
Jas. A. Buist, "	500 00		
Sir Wm. Young, "	10,000 00		
Mrs. M. J. Hamilton, Hx.	50 00		
Mrs. J. Northup, "	200 00		
Mrs. E. Binney, Halifax	500 00		
1888—J. W. Metzler, "	40 00		
J. U. Ross, "	59 00		

FORM OF LEGACY.

I hereby give and bequeath to "The Halifax School for the Blind," Halifax, Nova Scotia, and their successors forever, (if real estate), all that, etc., (if personal), the sum of, etc., to be used for the general purposes of the Institution.

Legacies intended for any specific purpose should specify, in addition: "to be devoted to," and such specifications will be strictly carried out.

School for the Blind in account with JOHN DUFFUS, Treasurer.

CURRENT ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

Dec. 5, 1899. By balance in bank.....	\$ 200 02
Dec. 5, 1900. By interest and dividends.....	2644 37
Donations and subscriptions.....	98 06
Nova Scotia Government and Municipalities....	9745 19
New Brunswick Government and Municipalities.	4906 46
Newfoundland Government.....	1200 00
P. E. I., Government and City of Charlottetown.	524 28
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	\$19318 38

EXPENDITURE.

1900.	
Dec. 5.	To House expenses, including—
	Provisions, domestic salaries and wages, house furnishings, laundry, fuel, light, etc.....
	\$ 9893 15
	To Salaries Superintendent and Teachers.....
	5227 55
	Repairs to building.....
	975 03
	Alterations and improvements.....
	662 09
	Grounds.....
	491 99
	Printing.....
	264 36
	School supplies.....
	279 49
	Sundry expenses.....
	236 73
	Music and musical instruments.....
	635 64
	Insurance and water rates.....
	436 26
	Contingent acct.....
	128 15
	Balance in Bank.....
	87 94
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	\$19318 38

BUILDING FUND ACCOUNT.

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Dec. 5, 1900. By subscriptions paid during the year—.....	\$ 521 00
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DR.

Dec. 5, 1900. To postage and discounts.....	\$ 15 28
Repaid Legacy account.....	505 72
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	\$ 521 00

LEGACY ACCOUNT.

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Dec. 5, 1900. By	Estate of Nelson Forrest, Amherst.....	\$ 500 00
	Estate of Mrs. S. Chandler, Falmouth, N.S....	436 70
	Estate of W. H. Keating, El Toro, Cal.....	100 00
	Building Fund repaid	505 72
	Water Street property.....	1600 00
		<u>\$3142 42</u>

DR.

Dec. 5, 1900. To	invested.....	\$3142 42
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RECAPITULATION.

Dec. 5, 1899. By	Balance	\$ 200 02
	Revenue	19118 36
	Building Fund.....	521 00
	Legacy account.....	2636 70
		<u>\$22476 08</u>
Dec. 6, 1900. To	current expenses.....	\$19230 44
	Investments, etc.....	3142 42
	B. F. postage and discount.....	15 28
	Balance in Bank	87 94
		<u>\$22476 08</u>

Examined and found correct.

WM. ROBERTSON, } Auditors.
W. H. NEAL, }

DONATIONS AND THANKSGIVING COLLECTIONS.

Mrs. C. C. Blackadar, Halifax.....	\$ 5 00
Prof. Kennedy, Windsor.....	5 00
Prof. C. J. McDonald, Halifax.....	5 00
Methodist Church, Enfield, per Rev. J. Mader.....	75
Baptist Church, Guysboro, per Rev. R. O. Morse.....	2 35
Presbyterian Church, Earltown, per Mr. Wm. McKenzie.....	5 00
United Congregation, New Glasgow, per Mr. P. A. McGregor.....	62 34
Presbyterian Church, St. Anns and North Shore.....	5 00
Zion Church, Liverpool, per Rev. J. S. Dunlap.....	3 93
Baddeck.....	3 69
	<u>\$98 06</u>

**SUBSCRIPTIONS TOWARDS THE BUILDING FUND OF THE
SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.**

In gratefully acknowledging the following subscriptions towards the Building Fund, the Board of Managers have pleasure in making the statement below.

The new building was erected at a cost of \$23,156.95. The amount subscribed to date is \$22,909.13 of which \$22,043.13 has been received. Amount previously acknowledged, \$21,522.13.

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR CURRENT YEAR.

Mrs. Smyth, Halifax	\$ 50.00	A. E. Fraser, Springhill, bal	10.00
L. DeBarres, "	5.00	C. H. Harrington, Sydney acct.....	5.00
J. Donohue, "	5.00	Miss Brookman, " bal.....	10.00
J. R. Monte, " acct	5.00	Alex. Matherson, " bal.....	20.00
J. W. Seaman, Amherst bal.....	5.00	Mrs. J. M. McKay, Simcoe, On acct ..	5.00
T. Dunlap, " bal.....	5.00	J. E. Bigelow, Truro acct.....	10.00
A. W. Moffatt, " bal.....	10.00	W. S. Muir, " acct ..	5.00
M. D. Pride, " bal.....	10.00	Hon. F. A. Lawrence, Truro acct.....	15.00
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APPENDIX A.

FREE CIRCULATING LIBRARY, SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND.

This library, which is located in the School for the Blind at Halifax, N.S., was established in 1881. It contains a large number of books and pamphlets printed in the Braille Point system, and Dr. Moon's type for the aged. Since the first of November, 1898, embossed books for the Blind have, by the authority of the Parliament of Canada, and by the order of the Postmaster-General, been transmitted through the mails free of charge.

The books are circulated among the graduates of the School, and among the adult blind who have been taught to read in their own homes. Each year the call for books has increased, and each year we have tried to add to the library the latest publications printed in Great Britain, as well as a number of hand-made books and pamphlets written out by the graduates of the School, and by the members of the Library League.

Since the establishment of the library, many persons have from time to time contributed towards its maintenance and enlargement. From one lady we received a subscription to cover the cost of the three volumes of "Alice in Wonderland," and through the contribution of a friend in New Brunswick we were able to add to the library the stories of Virgil in six volumes. We are also indebted in no small measure to the liberality of the British and Foreign Blind Association, and the British and Foreign Bible Society, for contributions of books and pamphlets.

The following subscriptions, which have been received during the past year, are herewith gratefully acknowledged :—

Friends, Chatham, per Miss F. E. Snowball	\$ 8 00
Friends, Marble Mountain, per Miss McLachlan	7 60
Friends, Charlottetown, per Mrs. Gardiner	25 00
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Young People's Baptist Church, Charlottetown	2 62
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 Aladdin, 2 vols.
 Alice in Wonderland, 3 vols, Lewis
 Carroll
 Alone in London, Hesba Stratton
 Anecdotes, 2 vols.
 Asia, geography, 1 vol.
 Atlas Readers, 1 vol.

Banister's Musical Harmony and
 Counterpoint, 5 vols.
 Building of the Steps, Longfellow
 Battle Songs & Anecdotes (selected)
 Byron's Poems
 Bret Harte's Poems
 Brighton Street
 Browning's Poems
 Black Beauty, 4 vols., Miss Sewell

- Birds, Xmas Carol - K. D. Wiggin
 Billie Links
 Banner of Hope, 4 vols.
 Children of the Bible
 Christian Year, Keble
 Christie and other stories
 Children's Hour, 6 vols.
 Cardinal Wolsley, Life of
 (chemistry, Sir H. Roscoe (science primer series)
 Daniel Roland, Life of
 Dreams and Reality Ian
 Doctor of the Old School, Maclaren
 Evangeline, Longfellow
 Emin Pasha Expedition
 Europe, 2 vols.
 Empire, 1 vol. edited by Nelson & Sons
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 Fairy Tales
 Fir Tree and other stories Hans Christian Andersen
 Fate of Nana Sahib's Englishman
 Famous Girls
 God's Silver
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 Gems from the prose works of Geo. McDonald
 General Gordon, Life of
 Geography of Africa 1 vol.
 Geology 2 vols.
 Henry Martin, Life of
 Hymns for Children
 Harvest Home
 Home in Poetry
 How Johnnie's Men Struck Work
 Houpla, J. S. Winter
 Heroes, 3 vols.
 Hora Jocunda, 1893-1900 4 vols. each year
 History of England, 4 vols.
 Historical Reader 3 vols.
 Imitation of Christ, Thomas a Kempis.
 In Memoriam, Tennyson
 Ivanhoe, Scott
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 Longfellow's Poems
 Lady of the Lake, 2 vols., Scott
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 Little Chickweed, Miss Alcott
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 Life in Winter
 Lamb's Tales from Shakspeare
 Life of Lord Clive, 2 vols.
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 Life of Gladstone
 Life of Doctor Campbell
 Life of Henry Fawcett
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 Macauley's Poems
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 Madam Liberality, Mrs. Ewing
 Myths of Hellas, 3 vols., Miss Younghusband
 Margery's Quest, 2 vols.
 Martin Luther, Life of
 Master Musicians, 4 vols.
 Magna Charta
 Marsallains
 Modern England, 3 vols., Green
 Napoleon Life of
 Nansen's Story (told by himself.)
 Natural History, Book I
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 New Testament—
 Matthew
 Mark
 Luke
 John
 Acts
 Romans to Corinthians
 Galatians to Philemon
 Hebrews to Jude
 Revelations
 Our Father's Care, Mrs. Sewell
 Our Eight O'clock Girls.
 One Hundred Knitting Patterns
 Ocean of Air, 4 vols.
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 Genesis, 2 vols.
 Exodus, "
 Leviticus
 Numbers, 2 vols.
 Deuteronomy, 2 vols.
 Joshua
 Judges and Ruth
 Samuel, 2 vols.
 Kings, 2 vols.
 Chronicles, 2 vols.
 Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther
 Job
 Psalms, 2 vols.
 Proverbs
 Isaiah, 2 vols.
 Jeremiah, 2 vols.
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 Daniel, Hosea and Joel.
 Amos to Malachi
 Pilgrim's Progress, 2 vols., Bunyan
 Patience
 Practical Talks
 Pax Vobiscum, Drummond
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 Pickwick Papers, 8 vols., Dickens.
 Prisoner of Zenda, 2 vols., Anthony Hope
 Philip 2nd of Spain
 Progress, 1882-1900, 2 vols. each yr.
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 Physics, 2 vols.

Physiology, 2 vols.
 Puritan England, 4 vols., Green
 Queen Elizabeth, 2 vols., Green
 Rasselas, Johnson
 Rudder Grange, 3 vol., Frank Stockton
 Robinson Crusoe, 7 vols., Defoe
 Rikki Tikki, Kipling
 Rob Roy, Walter Scott
 Recreation 1895-19.0, 3 vols. ea. yr.
 Scripture Texts
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 Spring Morning
 Sermons, Melville
 Still Hour
 Selected Texts, 2 vols.
 Selected Poems
 Selected Recitations
 Silas Marner 4 vols., Geo Elliott
 Social Bees
 Short Talks to Boys (selected)
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 Sir Roger de Coverley
 Sarah Crewe, Mrs. Burnett
 Story of a Short Life, Mrs. Ewing
 Stanley, 3 vols.
 Strange Scenes
 Star Primer, 2 vols.
 Star Readers, in 6 standards, 16 vols.
 Sixty Years a Queen, 4 vols., Sir
 Herbert Maxwell
 Science Primers, 10 vols., edited by
 Huxley and Balfour Stewart
 Stories from Canadian History, 3
 vols.
 Shakespeare's Works—
 Merchant of Venice

Hamlet, 2 vols.
 Macbeth
 Romeo & Juliet, 2 vols.
 The Tempest
 King Richard II, 1 vol
 King Lear, 2 vols.
 As You Like It
 Twelfth Night
 King John
 Much Ado About Nothing
 Julius Caesar
 Henry VIII, 2 vols.
 There is Help at Hand, Mrs. Sewell
 The Cabman's Wife
 The Program of Christianity
 The Greatest Thing in the World—
 Drummond
 The Changed Life, Drummond
 The Ancient Mariner, Coleridge
 The Pied Piper, Browning
 The Garland of Poetry
 Tennyson, 2 vols.
 The Talisman, Scott
 in Teddington's Dream
 The Naughtiest Day of My Life—
 H. H.
 The Eye Doctor
 The Old Major
 The Great Snowball Fight
 Thorn Fortress, 2 vols.
 The Pirate—Scott
 The Wanderer
 Water Babies, 3 vols., Kingsley
 Wanderings of Ulysses, 3 vols.
 What not to do
 William III
 World's History, 8 vols., Swinton

PAMPHLETS.

A Cloud with a Silver Lining
 A Darning Needle
 A Nantucket Boy
 Addie Armstrong's Piece
 Advice for Piano Playing
 A Jamaica Boy
 Bull Dogs
 Bead Work Patterns
 Deeds and Dreams
 Disinterred Pompeii
 Elementary Piano Instructor, 2
 numbers
 Essay on Tuning
 Five out of One Shell
 German Popular Stories
 Girl's Essay on Boys
 How Two Eggs Became a Fortune
 How to Run
 Heroic Deeds
 Hymns for the Young, 3 numbers
 Honey Hunters
 How they Weighed the Princess
 Lucy Forbes' Letter
 Lou's Clarionette
 Master Mischief

Not Wine, and other Poems
 Odds and Ends of Poetry
 Patch the Cat
 Peter's Nellie
 Poor Peter
 Patterns for Knitting
 Some Curious Nests
 Sacrifice
 Sanctuary of Shavings
 The Discontented Fairy
 The Swedish Engraver
 The Elephant
 The Mother's Right Hand Supporter
 2 numbers
 The Great Secret
 The Village Priest
 The Great Miramichi Fire
 The Silver Mug
 The Crow Child
 The Twelfth was an Amethyst
 The Turkey in the Court House
 The Song in the Night
 The Boy Bird
 The Night of the High Tide
 Wonders of Coal

In addition to the foregoing, there are in the Library a number of religious books which have been prepared and donated to meet the requirements of the different Christian Churches. These include such books as Methodist Rules, The Faith of our Fathers, Butler's Catechism, Church of England Catechism, Prayer Book, etc., Presbyterian Shorter Catechism, etc.

APPENDIX B.

Extracts from the report of the Home Teaching Society for the Blind.

This Society was organized in 1893. Through the efforts of a number of friends of the Blind the sum of \$3,656.61 was raised for the purpose of sending a competent teacher to instruct adult blind persons in their homes, and also to visit the parents of young blind children in order to give them practical instruction with regard to the bringing up of their little ones. Of the amount realized \$3058.19 was invested in Municipal securities, and the balance with the interest and yearly donations has been used to pay the salary and travelling expenses of a home Teacher.

Since the inception of the Society, the Home Teacher has visited the homes of 148 blind persons. In 72 homes the blind children under six years of age were sought out and their parents given some practical hints as to how they should be brought up.

To the ordinary mother the problem of how to deal with a child that has been born blind, or who has become blind shortly after birth, is a most perplexing one; her own experience and that of her neighbors, in the bringing up of children, is of little avail in the case of a blind child, hence it is that little blind children often acquire, during their early childhood, habits and mannerisms which it takes years of patient care to overcome. Their physical development is left to take care of itself and everything the child does is regarded as phenomenal. Under these circumstances it can readily be imagined that intelligent parents have gladly welcomed our Home Teacher and have profited by the advice and counsel which she had been able to give them.

Forty-nine adults have been taught to read in the Moon or Braille system, twenty to read and write in the Braille point alphabet. Some of these persons could read before losing their sight, and in these cases the time occupied in instruction averaged from one to two weeks.

Since her appointment in 1894 our Home Teacher has travelled upwards of 7000 miles and has visited the sparsely settled districts in the country as well as the cities and towns. There are in the

Maritime Provinces and Newfoundland no less than 798 adult blind persons, and these are widely scattered over a territory comprising about 90,000 square miles. Under these circumstances it can be readily understood that with the limited funds at our command our Home Teacher cannot visit all sections of this territory more than once in five or six years. The society has indeed reason to be thankful for the work thus far accomplished, but its officers fully realize that with increased funds their home mission to the blind might readily accomplish greater results.

The thanks of the society are tendered to those who kindly contributed towards the funds.

The society also desires to express its thanks to those ladies and gentlemen who show an interest in the work by seeking out and making known to the Secretary of the society such blind persons as desired to be taught to read and write, and for the courtesies shown to the Home teacher when visiting the districts in which they reside.

On behalf of the Society.

E. J. FRASER, *President*.

J. C. STEVENS, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX C.

Loan and Aid Fund.

This fund was established by the Superintendent of the School in 1883.

It was formed for the purpose of aiding the graduates of the School, and thus helping forward the interests of the Blind. The original amount secured was \$941.85. It was agreed that this fund should be administered by the Superintendent of the School as a loan and aid fund to assist graduates in purchasing tools, models, and materials for manufacturing brushes, baskets, etc., for purchasing tuning outfits, for advancing loans to those starting as teachers of music, etc., and to otherwise be applied for the benefit of the graduates and in furthering their interests.

It was recognised that many of these loans would in truth be charitable gifts, but it was thought best that each graduate securing an advance, should, if possible, repay the same with interest. It is satisfactory to state, that of the loans made, nearly fifty per cent have been repaid with interest, upwards of twenty-five per cent. are still outstanding, while only twenty-five per cent. have

been written off as uncollectable. The figures are as follows: Total amount loaned \$1603.25, Amount repaid \$712.75. Amount outstanding \$447.50. Amount written off \$443.00.

The Loan and Aid Fund has been of very great service to the graduates of the School. It has enabled many of them to succeed where otherwise their success would have been uncertain, and has proved a comfort and a help to many who have had to contend with sickness and misfortune. The fund has been carefully and economically administered, but it is not sufficiently large to meet the calls which are made upon it.

I sincerely hope for the augmentation of this fund, so that we may be able to reduce the interest charged upon loans to deserving graduates, and also to be in a position to make occasional free grants of materials for handicrafts to the industrial blind, who at the best, working as they do by hand, find it difficult to make both ends meet.

C. F. FRASER,
Superintendent.

AN ACT

Respecting the Education of the Blind of Nova Scotia.

Chapter 1, 1895.

1.—The parent or guardian of any blind person between the ages of six and twenty one years who has, under the provisions of chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia, a settlement in any municipality, may apply to the warden of such municipality for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind, which order the said warden will at once grant under his hand and the corporate seal of the municipality, on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed, and has a legal settlement in the municipality.

2.—Such order shall entitle the blind person named therein, to be received into the Halifax School for the Blind, and, subject to conditions hereinafter described, to be educated and boarded therein during the School terms. Pupils entering the School between the ages of six and ten years shall be entitled to remain seven years in addition to the time in attendance under ten years of age; those entering between the ages of ten and thirteen years of age shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years; and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty one years to remain three years.

3.—For every blind person received into the Halifax School for the Blind pursuant to this chapter and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasury at the rate of seventy five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and also to receive annually at the same rate from the county school fund of the municipality to which the said blind person belongs. When such municipality shall not comprise an entire county, the last mentioned grant of seventy-five dollars shall be charged against the county school funds of both districts included within the county in proportion to the amounts of their respective school allowance derived from the county school fund.

4.—It shall be the duty of the Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind to furnish semi-annually to the Council of Public Instruction full returns of the names, ages, residences, etc., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.

5.—In the annual apportionment of the county school fund the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts due the Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, and issue drafts therefor on the treasury of the respective municipalities.

6.—The Provincial Secretary shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind.

7.—In the case of any incorporated city or town within the Province in which any such blind person as is designated in the first sub-section of this section, has a legal settlement, an allowance to the Board of Managers of the said school of seventy-five dollars per annum shall be assessed upon the inhabitants of the said city or town in case such city or town does not contribute to or draw from the county school fund, and in such case said sum shall be paid to the said managers for each such blind person sent to the said school, and each such blind person shall be admitted to said school in the manner prescribed in the first sub-section of this section, the chief executive officer of the corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the warden of the municipality, and there shall be paid to the said Managers from the Provincial Treasury for each such blind person for which such city or town contributes such allowance the sum of seventy five dollars in the manner as is provided in the third sub-section of this section.

8.—The Council of Public Instruction, upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the Province and has no means of paying the expenses of his or her education, may, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, make the provisions of this section apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years of age. Such action of the Council of Public Instruction shall entitle the blind person to be received in the School on the same terms as persons mentioned in sub-sections 1 and 2 of this section.

9.—The Council of Public Instruction shall have authority upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, to extend the time of any pupil who has entered under the provisions of this section.

10.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School for the Blind, or on whose behalf applications for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any county or district of the Province, as required by sub-section 1 of this section, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay, or agree to pay, to the Board of Managers of the said School the same sum as is allowed from the Provincial Treasury in the case of a person admitted under the provisions of the said sub-section.

11.—The parents or guardians of any blind person between the ages of six and twenty-one years, who have not the settlement referred to in sub-section 1, may nevertheless apply to the warden of the municipality for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School for the Blind; and if the warden be satisfied that such parents or guardians have or has *bona fide* settled in the municipality, with the intention of remaining, the warden may grant such order, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provisions of the said sub-section.

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AN ACT

Relating to the Education of the Blind in New Brunswick.

Chap. VIII, Acts of the General Assembly, 1892.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant-Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly as follows :—

1.—The Parents or Guardians of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years, who has, under the provisions of Chapter 102 of the Consolidated Statutes of New Brunswick, a settlement within any County or City of the Province, may apply to the warden of the Municipality, or the Mayor of the City, for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Governor-in-Council, and the said Warden or Mayor on being satisfied that such blind person is between the ages above prescribed and has a legal settlement in the Municipality or City, shall at once grant such order for admission as aforesaid under his hand and the corporate seal of the Municipality or City, and forward the same to the Provincial Secretary for his approval to be endorsed thereon.

2.—Such order so approved by the Provincial Secretary shall entitle the blind person named therein to be received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and subject to conditions hereafter to be prescribed, to be educated and boarded therein during the school terms. Pupils under thirteen years of age, when entering the School, shall be entitled to remain seven years; those entering between the ages of thirteen and seventeen shall be entitled to remain five years; and those between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one years to remain three years.

3.—For every blind person received into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind, approved, as aforesaid, pursuant to this Act, and educated and boarded therein, the Board of Managers of such School or Institution for the Blind shall be entitled to receive from the Provincial Treasurer, at the rate of seventy-five dollars per annum, payable half-yearly, and also to receive at the same rate from the County School Fund of the Municipality to which the said blind person belongs. This section to apply to the blind persons in attendance at the Halifax Institution at the time of the passing of this Act.

4.—The Board of Managers of the said Halifax School, or other Institution for the Blind approved as aforesaid, shall furnish semi-annually on the first day of January and July in each year, to the Chief Superintendent of Education of the Province of New Brunswick, full returns of the names, ages, residences, attendance, etc., of the pupils in respect of whom the above grants may be claimed.

5.—In the semi-annual apportionment of the County School Fund, the Superintendent of Education shall include the amounts

due the Managers of any Institution for the Blind, and issue drafts therefor on the treasurers of the respective Municipalities.

6.—In the case of any incorporated City or Town within the Province in which any blind person, as is designated in the first section of this Act, has a legal settlement, and which City or Town does not contribute to or draw from the County School Fund, there shall be paid by such City or Town to the Board of Managers of the said School an allowance of seventy-five dollars per annum, and such sum shall form part of the general assessment of such City or Town for each blind person sent to said School, and each such blind person sent to the said School shall be admitted to the said School in the manner prescribed in the first Section of this Act, the chief executive officer of the Corporation exercising the powers therein conferred upon the Warden of the Municipality, and there shall be paid to the said Managers from the Provincial Treasury for each such blind person, for which such City or Town contributes such allowance, the sum of seventy-five dollars in like manner as is provided in the third Section of this Act.

7.—The parents or guardians of any blind person between the ages of ten and twenty-one years who have or has not the settlement referred to in Section one of this Act may, nevertheless, apply to the Warden of a Municipality or the Mayor of a City for an order for the admission of such person into the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, and if the Warden or Mayor of a City be satisfied that such parents or guardians have or has *bona fide* settled in the Municipality or City with the intention of remaining, the Warden or Mayor may grant such order in manner and form as prescribed in the first section of this Act, which shall have the same force and effect as an order given under the provisions of the said Section.

8.—In the case of any person who has been admitted to the Halifax School or other Institution for the Blind as aforesaid, or on whose behalf application for admission to such School has been made, who has no settlement within any County or District of the Province as required by Section one of this Act, the Provincial Secretary, if satisfied that such person is fairly chargeable to the Province, may pay or agree to pay to the Board of Managers of the said School, the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars per annum from the Provincial Treasury.

56 Vic., Cap. 20.

An Act in addition to, and in amendment of, an Act relating to the Education of the Blind.

1.—Notwithstanding anything contained in the Act of Assembly, 55th Victoria, Chapter 8, entitled "An Act relating to the

Education of the Blind," the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, upon being satisfied that an applicant has a settlement within the Province of New Brunswick, and has no means of paying the expenses of his or her Education, may, by Order-in-Council, make the provisions of said Act apply to any blind person over the age of twenty-one years, and such order shall specify the Municipality in which said blind person has a settlement, and upon which he or she shall be chargeable. Such Order-in-Council shall entitle the blind person mentioned therein to be received at the Halifax School for the Blind, or any other Institution for the Blind, on the same terms as persons mentioned in the first and second sections of the said Act.

2.—Blind persons over the age of twenty-one years so received at the Halifax School for the Blind, or other Institution for the Blind approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council under the provisions of the preceding section, shall (subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council) be entitled to remain three years.

3.—The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall have authority by order-in-Council, upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers of the Halifax School for the Blind, or any other Institution for the Blind approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, to extend the time of any pupil who has entered under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act relating to the Education of the Blind," or of this Act in amendment thereof.

59 Vic., Cap. 13.

An Act to amend An Act relating to the Education of the Blind.

1.—Section 1 of the Act of Assembly, 55th Victoria, Chapter 8, is hereby amended by erasing the word "ten" in the second line thereof.

2.—Pupils entering the School between the ages of six and ten years, shall be entitled to remain seven years in addition to the time in attendance under ten years of age.

Application for admission to the School for the Blind and all correspondence should be addressed to—

C. F. FRASER,

Superintendent.

