

Mechanics' Institute

OF

SAINT JOHN, N. B.

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ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading of Minutes.
2. Reports of Standing Committees.
3. Reports of Special Committees.
4. Proposals for Membership.
5. Monthly Statement of Funds.
6. Secretary and Treasurer.
7. Deferred and Unfinished Business.
8. New Business.

ANNUAL REPORT, A. D. 1888-89.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute of St. John:

THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS have great pleasure in submitting a Report of a very different nature from that which might fairly have been anticipated twelve months ago.

At that time there was a general impression not only that the Institute could not be continued, but that there was at least a question whether, in ceasing to exist, its properties would be found sufficient to meet outstanding liabilities.

By the exercise of well directed energy and the growth among the members and friends of the institution of a more lively interest in its welfare than previously existed, the gloomy prospects have been temporally and it is trusted permanently removed; and the Mechanics' Institute, after more than fifty years of varied fortune, still continues, ready to enact its part in the history of a City about to be enlarged in its area, greatly increased in population, and, it is hoped, indued with greater enterprise than during the past.

Shortly after the creation of the new Board, an appeal was made on behalf of the Institute to the citizens, which met with a general and favorable response, the sum of \$1201.00 being thereby realized. This fund was supplemented to the extent of \$295.00 being the net proceeds of a series of *tableaux vivants* given by a number of ladies and gentlemen under the able management of Mrs. Temple, and also by \$65.17, the net proceeds of a *Conversazione* under the management of the Board and a committee of ladies.

This entertainment was not intended so much to raise funds as to bring the members and their friends together in the Institute building, and it will probably be admitted by all who were present that the occasion was one of such enjoyment as to invite a repetition of this experiment.

The public having extended such generous aid in the manner indicated, the Board determined that some special effort should be made for the public in return. A school for gratuitous instruction in freehand and mechanical drawing was therefore formed, and under the management of Mr. Frederick H. C. Miles has now been in successful operation for five months and upwards. This school will be temporarily closed on the sixteenth April, to be reopened in the Autumn. During its continuance 200 pupils were enrolled from the Cities of Saint John and Portland and the outlying districts. The report of the Committee in charge is presented herewith.

The revenue derived from the rental of the auditorium during the past year has been more than \$700.00 in excess of the revenue from the same source in the preceding year, but there has been a slight decrease in the sale of members tickets during the past year as compared with the preceding twelve months.

During the year some necessary repairs and improvements have been made at comparatively small cost, including repairs to the roof of the building and painting and papering the Director's Room.

The usual statements of accounts are submitted herewith.

The following is the programme of lectures and entertainments during the regular course of the past year :

1888.

Nov. 26—Opening. Addresses by the PRESIDENT and J. W. LAWRENCE, Esq., Music by the City Cornet Band and well-known vocalists.

Dec. 3—Rev. J. DESOYRES. Subject, "Dr. Johnson."

" 10—G. R. PARKIN, M. A., Fredericton. Subject, "University Life in England."

" 17—Rev. JOHN SHENTON, M. A. Subject, "Our Age and its Wants."

1889.

Jan. 7—Twelfth Night Concert.

" 14—WALLACE BROAD, A. B., St. Stephen. Subject, "Britain's Greatness: The Prospects of its Continuance."

" 21—Rev. B. F. SIMPSON, M. A., St. Martins. Subject, "A Study in the Ethnic Religions."

" 28—Mr. A. J. GLAZEBROOK. Subject, "Socialism and Anarchism."

Feb. 4—L. H. DAVIES, M. P. Subject, "Imperial Statesmen."

" 11—Rev. Dr. WILSON. Subject, "A Trip to London."

" 18—Rev. J. ROY CAMPBELL, M. A. Subject, "Ballad Poetry of Scotland."

" 25—Mr. S. D. SCOTT. Subject, "Three Pioneer Preachers."

Mar. 4—Grand Musical and Literary Entertainment.

Mr. MORTON HARRISON's Orchestra of nine pieces performed on each lecture evening from 7.30 to 8 o'clock.

In concluding this report the Board desires to express a grateful sense of their obligation to the ladies and gentlemen who as lecturers, singers, contributors of cash or otherwise, have aided the Board in the work of the year in connexion with the Institute.

Respectfully submitted,

T. B. HANINGTON,
President.

F. S. SHARPE,
Recording Secretary.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., April, A. D. 1889.

SCHOOL OF DESIGN.

To the President and Directors :

THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE appointed to make arrangements for opening a School of Design in connexion with the Institute, report that they procured the necessary furniture and apparatus and engaged Mr. F. H. C. Miles to take charge of the school two nights each week.

Notice having been given through the press that the School would be formally opened on October 30th, there were a large number of young ladies and gentlemen present who were desirous of taking lessons in free-hand and mechanical drawing, and their names were enrolled and classes at once formed. The School has continued in operation every Tuesday and Friday Evening since. During the term 200 pupils have been enrolled and have received instruction in the above subjects. Mr. Miles and his two capable assistants, Messrs. Henry R. Lordly and Allen R. Wilbur, who kindly volunteered their services, have attended to their duties in a most satisfactory manner, and the results are such as we believe will meet with the approval of the Board of Directors and fully justify the expense which has been incurred in connexion with this School.

The total amount expended to this date, exclusive of gas (which is included in the general consumption, and would amount to about \$20), is \$273.76.

The furniture and apparatus cost about \$200, and are now in good condition.

The Committee have decided, with the approval of the Board, to close the School, for the present at least, on Tues-

day Evening, April 16th, when Mr. Miles will read a full report of the working of the School, and they have arranged to invite the Mayors of the two Cities and some other gentlemen to be present, and address the pupils.

Mr. Miles report to the Board, and a detailed statement of expenditure are herewith submitted.

JONAS HOWE,
R. B. EMERSON,
CHAS. A. EVERETT,
D. P. CHISHOLM,
JAMES FLEMING,
A. J. LORDLY,

Special Committee.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., 28th March, 1889.

LIST OF MEMBERS, 1888-89,
OF
Saint John Mechanics' Institute,

ENTITLED TO VOTE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING,
On April 9th, 1889.

LIFE MEMBERS.

Boyd, Hon. John
Brass, E. J.
Daniel, Thomas
Fleming, William
Gray, Hon. John H.

Humbert, Thomas C.
Knowles, Joseph S.
Lawrence, J. W.
Parker, C. C.
Wishart, John

Adam, James
Alward, Silas
Allison, Dr. L. C.
Allison, Joseph
Barnes, James E.
Barbour, Moses C.
Barbour, George L.
Barber, James
Beverly, Fulton
Bates, Edward
Bostwick, Jas. J.
Bond, Jas.
Breeze, Dudne
Bruce, Dr. M. F.
Bunting, William F.
Burpee, Hon. I. (Est.)
Bustin, Thomas
Butcher, Fred. R.
Carvill, George, (Est.)
Christie, Dr. James
Chisholm, D. P.

Clarke, Clement P.
Clarke, Frank
Court, William
Collier, W. E.
Crookshank, Robert W.
Cruikshank, Robert
Cushing, Andre
Day, G. W.
Davenport, Rev. J. M.
DeSoyers, Rev. J.
DeMill, A. H.
Dole, W. P.
Dunham, Wm.
Dunlop, Joseph K.
Emerson, Robert B.
Estey, T. Winslow
Estey, James A.
Everett, Charles A.
Everett, Henry L.
Fairweather, G. E.
Farren, William

Ferguson, B. (Estate)
 Fisher, Edwin
 Fisher, George S.
 Finn, Michael
 Fleming, James
 Flood, Carson
 Foster, Edwin C.
 Finley, Joseph
 Frink, R. W. W.
 Furlong, Thomas
 Gale, E. W.
 Gilmour, Andrew
 Glazebrook, A. J.
 Golding, John N.
 Goodwin, A. L.
 Greig, William
 Hayward, W. H.
 Hay, Geo. U.
 Hanington, Thomas B.
 Hayward, Samuel
 Hazen, Mrs. Chas.
 Hay, Thomas L.
 Hall, Thomas H.
 Harding, Dr. W. S.
 Hanington, Fred. E.
 Hetherigton, Dr. Geo. A.
 Horn, William H.
 Howe, Jonas
 Hutchinson, W. (Estate)
 Hutchison, George
 Jack, D. R.
 Jack, I. Allen
 Jones, Hon. Thos. R.
 Jones, E. C.
 Jones, Simeon
 Johnston, Dr. Chas. H. L.
 Kain, Francis
 Kennedy, James
 Kinnear, Charles F.
 Knodell, G. A.

King, John
 King, Hon. G. E.
 King, S. T.
 Lantalum, Edward
 Lee, G. Herbert
 Lester, Edward H.
 Longmaid, Richard
 Lordly, A. J.
 Lawrence, Geo. C.
 Lynch, J. P.
 Matthew, Geo. F.
 Macrae, Rev. Dr. D.
 Mackay, W. M.
 Magilton, Joseph A.
 Merritt, T. Gray
 Melrose, Robert
 Miller, John
 Moore, Herbert W.
 Morrison, John McB.
 Mott, J. A. S.
 Murdoch, Gilbert
 Murdoch, William
 McLellan, Hon. David
 McArthur, R. D.
 McGivern, Richard P.
 McLeod, Ezekiel
 McLaughlan, D. J.
 McCready, J. E. B.
 McLean, W. M.
 McCoskery, Wm. F.
 McIntyre, John
 McNichol, Jas.
 McAuley, Alex.
 McMillan, John
 McPherson, John
 O'Brien, Richard
 Olive, D. Miller
 Outram, E. D.
 Palmer, Hon. A. L.
 Parks, John H.

Payne, R. A.
 Peters, Alex. N.
 Peters, B. Lester
 Peacock, Geo. B.
 Pender, James
 Peters, William
 Patton, W. H.
 Pitfield, W. C.
 Powers, C. A.
 Porter, W. Alex.
 Powers, Mark N.
 Price, Jas. A.
 Purchase, Wm. R.
 Pullen, James H.
 Quigley, R. F.
 Rannie, William
 Rankine, Thos. A.
 Rankine, Frank
 Rankine, Henry C.
 Robertson, Struan
 Roop, J. W.
 Reed, Thomas
 Reynolds, James
 Ritchie, Hon. R. J.
 Ritchie, Joseph H.
 Rogers, Richard
 Robertson, E. M.
 Robinson, Morris
 Saer, Rev. J. B.
 Scammell, Joseph H.
 Secord, James E.
 Shaw, James
 Sharpe, F. S.
 Shaw, C. S.

Steeves, Dr. J. A. E.
 Stevens, W. E.
 Sinclair, Arch.
 Skinner, A. O.
 Skinner, Hon. C. N.
 Smith, Robert F.
 Smith, George F.
 Stothart, Thomas
 Starr, R. P.
 Stuart, Rev. Wm.
 Straton, James
 Stockton, C. A.
 Sullivan, John R.
 Tapley, John
 Thorne, W. H.
 Thomson, Robert, Jr.
 Tufts, Jas. A.
 Taylor, J. M.
 Tennant, R. H. B.
 Thorne, H. J.
 Tippet, A. P.
 Trueman, A. I.
 Turnbull, Charles G.
 Tufts, Frank
 Turnbull, W. W.,
 Ward, Chas. (Estate)
 Weldon, C. W.
 White, Dr. Walter W.
 Whittaker, Edward L.
 Willet, David
 Willet, John
 Woodrow, James
 Walker, Dr. Thos.
 Waterbury, Geo. H.

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STATEMENTS OF ACCOUNTS.

EXPENDITURE.

	1888	1889
Light and Fuel,		
Salaries,	\$ 630 17	\$ 679 28
Funded Debt.	700 00	500 00
Interest,	121 94	1881 64
Lectures and Expenses,	12 00	12 00
Museum,	765 98	322 80
School of Design,
Reading Room,	161 93
Building,	93 65	85 63
Ground Rent,	119 48	360 11
Insurance,	260 00	260 00
Library,	262 50	262 50
Apparatus and Diagrams,	101 40	92 73
Hall,
Incidentals,	46 15	194 07
Cash balance,	196 25	267 76
	80 39	316 41
	<u>\$3,389 91</u>	<u>\$5,396 86</u>

RECEIPTS.

	1888	1889
Cash Balance 31st March.		
Rents,	\$ 31 54	80 39
Members' Tickets,	1966 20	2675 73
Donations, Miscellaneous,	1155 00	925 00
	237 17	1715 74
	<u>\$3,389 91</u>	<u>\$5,396 86</u>

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

ASSETS.	
Building and Furniture, say	\$18000 00
Museum,	3650 00
Apparatus and Diagrams,	800 00
Library,	3000 00
Cash Balance,	316 41
	<u>\$25,766 41</u>

LIABILITIES.	
Debentures,	\$ 640 00
Building Society with interest to 1st April, 1887,	1400 00
Orders to pay,	399 60
Balance,	23,326 81
	<u>\$25,766 41</u>