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OF THE

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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE INCORPORATED
LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY,

WAS HELD ON
TUESDAY, THE 8TH OF OCTOBER, 1850,
IN THE HOUSE OF THE INSTITUTION, AT TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

THE REV. WM. BOND, Assistant Minister of St. George's Church, presided and opened the meeting by prayer and a very appropriate address, after which the Secretary's Report of the proceedings of the past year was read, and the Treasurer's Account Current submitted.—It was then.

Moved by the REV. R. MCGILL, seconded by MRS DAVIDSON.

1. That the Report now read, be received, adopted, and printed in a suitable form under the direction of the Office Bearers.

Moved by DR. WILKES, seconded by MRS. PLATT.

2. That this Meeting feels grateful to the Father of Mercies, for the measure of success that has attended the exertions hitherto made on behalf of this Society, and desires to express its thankfulness therefore to Almighty God.

Moved by DR. MATHIESON, seconded by MISS HARVEY.

3. That this Meeting recognizes the strong claim which this Society has upon the Public for support, and pledges itself to renewed effort on its behalf.

Moved by the REV. MR. RINTOUL, seconded by MRS. DORWIN.

4. That this Meeting deplors the loss that the Society has sustained on the resignation of their efficient Secretary, Miss Ross, and now tenders unto her, and by the other office bearers of the Society, warmest thanks for their zeal and attention.

MRS. DAVIDSON was then proposed, and elected unanimously as First Directress, MRS. GEDDES having resigned.

The names of the Office Bearers and Managers for the past year were read to the meeting, and re-elected with power to add to their numbers.

The thanks of the meeting were then accorded to the REV. WM. BOND for his very efficient conduct in the Chair.

Office Bearers.

MRS. DAVIDSON.	<i>1st. Directress.</i>
MRS. SAMUEL OGDEN,	<i>2nd. Directress.</i>
MISS WINN,	<i>Treasurer.</i>
MISS HARVEY,	<i>Secretary for Children.</i>
MRS. HILL,	<i>Secretary.</i>

Managers.

MRS. ADAMSON.	MRS. ROBERT MCGILL,
MISS ARMOUR,	MRS. A. DAVIDSON PARKER,
MISS BOSTON,	MRS. PATON,
MRS. BOCKUS,	MRS. PLATT,
MISS BIRSS,	MISS PLATT,
MRS. CRAWFORD,	MRS. PORTEOUS,
MRS. DORWIN,	MRS. PROWSE,
MISS EVANS,	MRS. ROSS,
MISS JANE EVANS,	MISS ROSS,
MRS. GEDDES,	MRS. RAE,
MRS. HUTCHINS,	MRS. CHARLES ROSS,
MRS. PHILIP HOLLAND,	MRS. RINTOUL,
MRS. LAVICOUNT,	MRS. JOSEPH SAVAGE,
MRS. J. LOVELL,	MRS. ALFRED SAVAGE,
MRS. LEEMING,	MRS. SCOUGALL,
MRS. MOUNT,	MISS EMMA SMITH,
MRS. MILLS,	MRS. JAMES TORRANCE,
MISS MILLS,	MISS URE,
MRS. J. G. MCKENZIE,	MRS. WHITE,
MRS. NEIL MCINTOSH	MRS. WENHAM,
MRS. ROBERT MACKAY,	MRS. WHITNEY.

THE
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY,

INCORPORATED BY ACT OF PARLIAMENT,

AND UNDER THE PATRONAGE OF HER EXCELLENCY THE RIGHT HONOURABLE

The Countess of Elgin and Kincardine.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE LADIES' BENEVOLENT SOCIETY have again, in the order of Providence, the opportunity afforded, by their Annual General Meeting, of laying before their friends their Seventeenth Report, containing a statement of their progress during the past year.

In approaching the subject, various are the emotions which the retrospect of the past year is calculated to produce, but, those of thankfulness for the multiplied mercies of God, they trust, are uppermost in sustaining their still struggling Institution, and permitting it to raise its head above the many waters that have threatened its engulfment.

This Committee feel they need not remind a Christian Public of the propriety and necessity of sustaining such an Institution as the Ladies' Benevolent Society, the only Protestant one in this great City, that offers a hiding place to the Widow and her children from the blast of entire misery and distress. And would urge those who have hitherto, generously and kindly assisted in upholding this Institution to ask themselves: Have they done all they could for the Lord's poor? and would earnestly request them, to come up to their help and encourage them in this, their labour of love. This Committee fear not though their case should become desperate, so assured are they that the blessing of the Lord rests upon it.

The Number of its Inmates has averaged, this year, 49. Death has once passed over its threshold, and taken away an aged member of their Household, they trust to a glorious Home. The children have been visited with measles; but have been graciously spared, and are now quite well. And the Directresses and Managers of this Society return their grateful thanks to Doctor David for his kind and unremitting attention to both old and young during the past year.

They have also to regret the resignation of their valued and indefatigable Secretary, Miss Ross, who has been a kind and faithful friend to the Institution for many years.

This Committee would gratefully acknowledge the accustomed generosity of the Provincial Legislature in awarding the grant of £100 to the Society.

Also, to the Rev. Mr. Bond for his kind and continuous attention in imparting religious Instruction to the Household, his invaluable services they deeply appreciate and would return their sincere thanks. And your Committee would again renew the invitation to the various Protestant Ministers in this City, and, earnestly solicit their interest and instruction towards the spiritual advancement of those intrusted to their care.

The Directresses again desire to acknowledge their debt of gratitude to Messrs. Lovell and Gibson for their gratuitous services in printing and publishing the Annual Report, Circulars, &c. &c.

Your Committee would express their thanks to Messrs. S. J. Lyman & Co. for their liberality in providing the Institution with all the medicines used in the Establishment throughout the year.

The Matron, Mrs. Ford, deserves much commendation for the order and cleanliness manifested throughout the Establishment, and, also for the conscientious manner in which she has discharged her duty towards those dependent on her care.

The Ladies beg leave to offer their best thanks to their Benefactors, who have so kindly contributed donations of Clothing, Vegetables and articles of daily utility, which will always be acceptable.

The following detailed statement shows the number who have received of your bounty.

Admissions during the past year.....	23
Children apprenticed,....	0
Children procured situations, with consent of mothers. .	7
Children returned to relations,.....	11
Women discharged,.....	1
Women left the Institution,.....	1
Died,.....	2
The present number,.....	1
Women, 12; Girls, 13; Boys, 27; Matron, 1; Total.....	— 53

The Committee are happy to state that with the economy exercised, the liberality of the Legislature and other kindly aid, their means have harmonised with their expenditure, but the future prospects of this Society cannot be otherwise than a subject of deep importance, and great solicitude. Continuous exertions have been, and will be made by them, and they have now in contemplation their Annual Bazaar at which they hope to realize a sum which will, in a great measure, free them from the anxiety for the coming year, which the provision for so large a number of fellow-beings necessarily involves. They commit their cause to Him, who alone can crown their endeavours with success, and, who has left on record to His Disciples for their continual remembrance, "The poor ye have alway with you." And, to you, trusting that another appeal may not be made in vain for our sympathy, your countenance, your help, your prayers. And let us, one, and all feel. "We live for God, for man, for duty."

The above respectfully submitted.

MARY LAWSON HILL.

Secretary, L. B. S.

Montreal, October 8th, 1850.

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arer, from 2nd October, 1849,

Cr.

	£	s.	d.
ear,.....	0	0	10
as,.....	52	5	0
Crawford,.....	21	0	1
Platt,.....	7	5	4
Renaud,.....	6	2	6
Evans,.....	5	4	8
Armour,.....	3	13	0
Ogden,.....	3	10	0
C. S. Ross,.....	3	5	0
Ure,.....	3	0	0
McGill,.....	4	0	0
J. G. MacKenzie,.....	2	10	0
Davidson,.....	1	15	0
J. Irwin,.....	1	12	6
Dorwin,.....	1	10	0
Winn,.....	2	10	0
ed Presbyterian Church by Revd.			
.....	7	10	0
at, for 2 years,.....	200	0	0
l Donation, by late Mrs. Wilkes,...	2	10	0
Picken's Bazaar,.....	2	10	0
Miss Hervey,.....	0	18	7½
reward for restoring lost property,	1	0	0
by Mrs. Platt,.....	5	0	0
viz.: Tickets of admis-			
.....	19	8	9
ble, by late Mrs. Griffin, 22	4	1	
Mrs. Scougall, Mrs. Rae,			
McIntosh,.....	31	10	4
Savage, Miss Hervey,			
Irss,.....	40	1	7
Heddes, Mrs.			
and Miss Bos-			
.....	44	16	3
le, P. McGill,			
Hdes,.....	5	0	0
.....	6	6	3
	<u>56</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
	169	7	3
d of Inmates,.....	68	3	9
.....	1	15	1½
	<u>577</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>
.....	39	17	5½

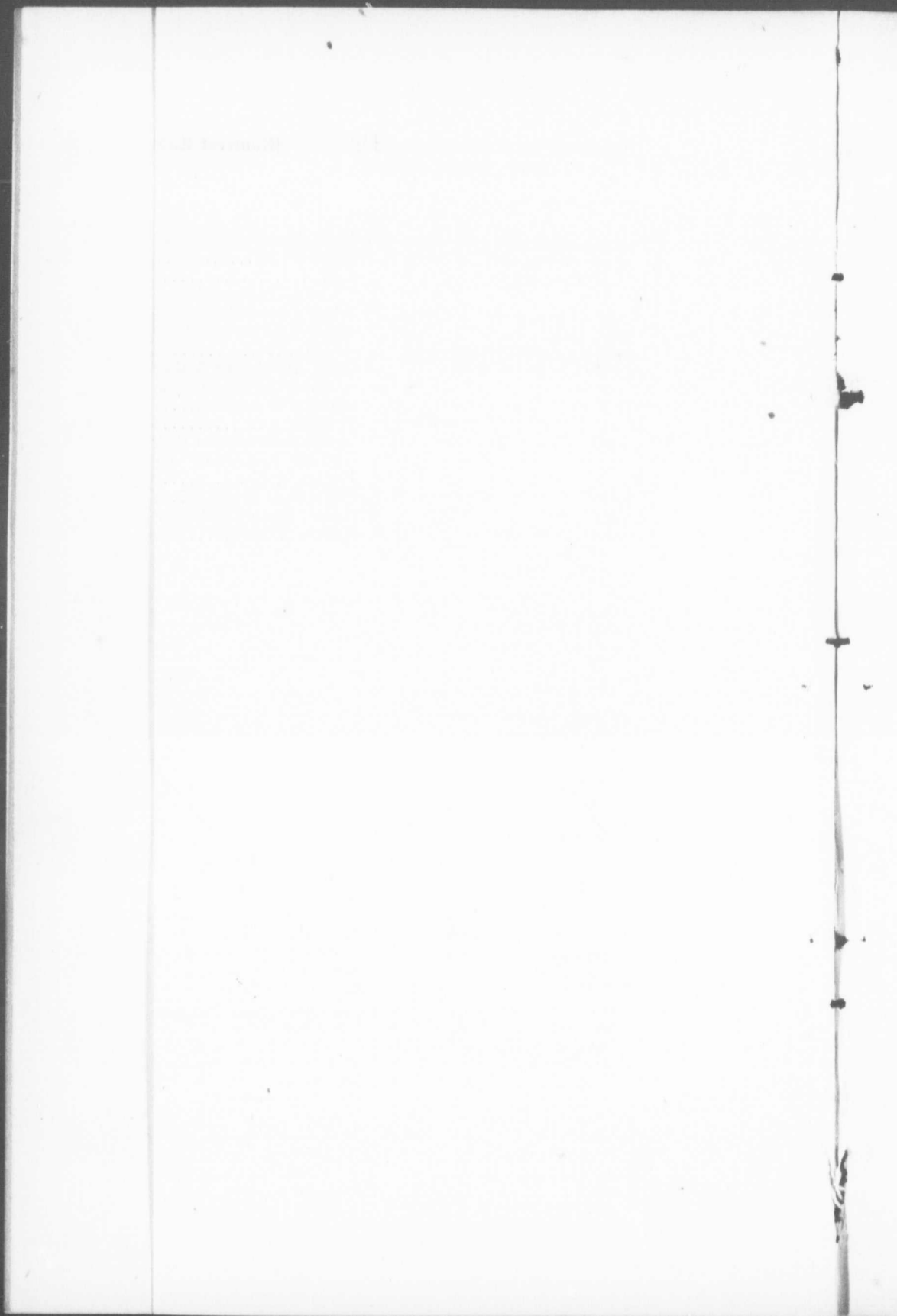
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Dr. Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Association in account with the Treasurer, from 2nd October, 1849,
to 8th October, 1850.

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			£	s.	d.				£	s.	d.
To House Rent and Insurance,.....			72	6	11	By balance from last year,.....			0	0	10
Water Rate,.....			4	0	0	Annual subscriptions,.....			52	5	0
Fuel,.....			26	6	9½	Collection by Mrs. Crawford,.....			21	0	1
Salary of Matron and wages to Servants,.....			49	14	2	Mrs. Platt,.....			7	5	4
School Fees and Stationery,.....			3	19	10	Mrs. Renaud,.....			6	2	6
Apprentice Fee, repaid to Miss Hervey for Jane Jack- son,.....			0	15	0	Miss Evans,.....			5	4	8
Cloth sent by Mr. McDugald as apprentice fee for Henry Hughes, and purchased for Boys' Coats,....			2	14	0	Miss Armour,.....			3	13	0
Clothing for Inmates,.....			44	17	10½	Mrs. Ogden,.....			3	10	0
Tinsmith,.....			4	19	8½	Mrs. C. S. Ross,.....			3	5	0
Bryson & Ferriers, for Boiler,.....			1	10	10	Miss Ure,.....			3	0	0
Drake & Tabb, setting do			1	13	1½	Mrs. McGill,.....			4	0	0
Pasture for Cow,.....			4	15	0	Mrs. J. G. MacKenzie,.....			2	10	0
Expenses of Bazaar,.....			8	12	5	Mrs. Davidson,.....			1	15	0
House expenses, food, &c.,.....			311	15	6½	Revd. J. Irwin,.....			1	12	6
Balance in hand,.....			39	17	5½	Mrs. Dorwin,.....			1	10	0
						Miss Winn,.....			2	10	0
						Collection in United Presbyterian Church by Revd. Wm. Taylor,.....			7	10	0
						Parliamentary Grant, for 2 years,.....			200	0	0
						Anonymous Annual Donation, by late Mrs. Wilkes,...			2	10	0
						Donation from Miss Picken's Bazaar,.....			2	10	0
						Children's work, by Miss Hervey,.....			0	18	7½
						An unknown Friend, reward for restoring lost property,			1	0	0
						Donation for Wood, by Mrs. Platt,.....			5	0	0
						Proceeds of Bazaar, viz.: Tickets of admis- sion,.....			19	8	9
						Refreshment Table, by late Mrs. Griffin,			22	4	1
						Table held by Mrs. Scougall, Mrs. Rae, and Mrs. McIntosh,.....			31	10	4
						Do. by Mrs. A. Savage, Miss Hervey, and Miss Birss,.....			40	1	7
						Do. by Mrs. Geddes, Mrs. Adamson, and Miss Bos- ton,.....			44	16	3
						Donation, Honble. P. McGill, to Mrs. Geddes,.....			5	0	0
						Sand's Concert,.....			6	6	3
									56	2	6
						Received for Board of Inmates,.....			169	7	3
						Donations, &c.,.....			68	3	9
									1	15	1½
									577	18	8
						By balance in hand,.....			39	17	5½

JANE WINN.



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OF
SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS.

	\pounds	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		\pounds	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Mrs. Andrews.....	£2		10 0	Friend, by Mrs. Crawford...	0		5 0
Anonymous annual donation				Miss Evans.....	0		2 6
by Mrs. Wilkes.....	2		10 0	Mrs. Griffin.....	1		0 0
Miss Armour.....	1		5 0	Mrs. Platt.....	1		10 0
Louis Auldjo, Esq.....	1		0 0	do.....	0		19 9
H. Austin, Esq.....	0		10 0	do.....	0		8 9
A. B.....	0		2 6	Two Friends, by Mrs. S. Ogden	1		0 0
Mrs. F. Badgley.....	0		15 0	An Unknown Friend.....	1		0 0
Mrs. S. Benjamin.....	0		5 0	Mrs. Geddes.....	1		0 0
Mr. Benny.....	0		10 0	Mrs. Gerard.....	1		5 0
S. Bethune, Esq.....	0		10 0	Mrs. J. J. Gibb.....	0		12 2
Mrs. Bleakley.....	0		10 0	Mrs. Gilmour.....	1		0 0
Mrs. C. Bockus.....	1		0 0	Mrs. Gordon.....	0		10 0
Rev. W. Bond.....	1		5 0	J. B. Greenshields, Esq.....	1		5 0
Miss Boston.....	1		0 0	J. Griffin, Esq.....	0		5 0
C. S. B.....	0		10 0	Jeffery Hale, Esq.,.....	1		5 0
W. H. Brehaut.....	0		10 0	Mrs. Hamilton, of Hawkes-			
Mrs. Butler, of Dundas.....	1		0 0	bury.....	2		10 0
Mrs. Caldwell.....	1		0 0	Miss Hervey.....	1		0 0
Dr. Campbell.....	1		0 0	Mrs. Thomas Hill.....	1		0 0
Cash J. G.....	1		5 0	Philip Holland, Esq.....	1		5 0
Cash, A. S.....	0		10 0	W. Holmes, Esq.....	0		5 0
Cash, J. G.....	0		6 4	Mrs. Hutchins.....	0		10 0
Mr. Childs.....	0		5 0	Rev. John Irwin.....	0		5 0
Children's work, by Miss				H. Judah, Esq.....	0		5 0
Hervey.....	1		8 7½	—Kirby Esq., of Hawkesbury	1		0 0
R. D. Collis, Esq.....	1		0 0	Mrs. Lapelletrie.....	0		5 0
Mrs. Crawford.....	1		5 0	Mrs. Lavicount.....	0		10 0
Miss Crawford's work.....	1		0 0	A. K. Lavicount, Esq.....	1		0 0
A. Cross, Esq.....	0		10 0	James Law, Esq.....	1		5 0
Mrs. Davidson.....	1		5 0	J. Logan, Esq.....	0		15 0
A. Easton, Esq.....	0		10 0	Charles A. Low, Esq.....	0		5 0
Miss Evans.....	1		5 0	Miss Lyman.....	1		5 0
W. C. Evans.....	0		10 0	Mrs. J. F. Mackenzie.....	2		0 0
Mrs. Ferrier.....	1		5 0	G. Macrae, Esq.....	0		5 0
Dr. Fraser.....	0		10 0	W. G. Mack, Esq.....	0		10 0
Miss Frothinghame.....	1		5 0	Mrs. McCord.....	2		10 0
Friends in Toronto, by Miss				Dr. McCulloch.....	1		0 0
Armour.....	1		5 0	F. McCulloch.....	0		15 0

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Mrs. McGill.....	1	5	0	Mrs. Rolland.....	0	10	0
Collected from Friends, by				Misses Rice, Lachine.....	0	10	0
Mrs. McGill.....	4	0	0	A. Robertson, Esq.....	0	6	0
Hon. Peter McGill.....	5	0	0	Mrs. Ross.....	1	5	0
Miss McGillivray.....	1	5	0	Miss Ross.....	1	0	0
Mrs. Neil McIntosh.....	0	15	0	Mrs. Charles Ross.....	1	5	0
Mrs. R. McKay.....	1	0	0	John Rose, Esq.....	1	5	0
J. A. McLeod, Esq.....	0	10	0	Haviland Routh, Esq.....	1	5	0
Mrs. McPherson.....	1	0	0	Mrs. Alfred Savage.....	1	0	0
W. Meredith, Esq.....	1	0	0	Mrs. Scougall.....	1	0	0
H. Meyer, Esq.....	0	5	0	Mrs. Simpson.....	1	5	0
Mrs. W. Molson.....	2	10	0	A. Simpson, Esq.....	0	10	0
Misses Molson.....	1	15	0	Mrs. Justice Smith.....	1	0	0
S. C. Monk, Esq.....	1	0	0	J. J. Smith, Esq.....	0	10	0
S. W. Monk, Esq.....	0	15	0	Mrs. Spragge.....	1	5	0
Mrs. Mount.....	0	15	0	Mr. Stone.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Nixon.....	0	10	0	Mrs W. V. Street.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Paton.....	1	5	0	Miss Sweeny.....	0	7	6
Mrs. Davidson Parker.....	1	0	0	Mrs. D. Torrance.....	1	0	0
Miss Picken.....	2	10	0	Mrs. James Torrance.....	1	0	0
Mrs. Platt.....	7	6	10	F. W. Torrance, Esq.....	0	5	0
Miss Platt.....	1	7	6	Mrs. Tucker.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Prentice.....	1	5	0	Miss Ure.....	3	15	0
Mrs. Prowse.....	1	0	0	Joseph Wenham, Esq.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Rae.....	0	10	0	Mrs. Whitehead.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Reid.....	1	5	0	Mrs. Wilkes.....	0	10	0
Mrs. Renaud.....	1	5	0	Miles Williams, Esq.....	0	5	0
T. Regan.....	1	0	0	Miss Winn.....	0	10	0