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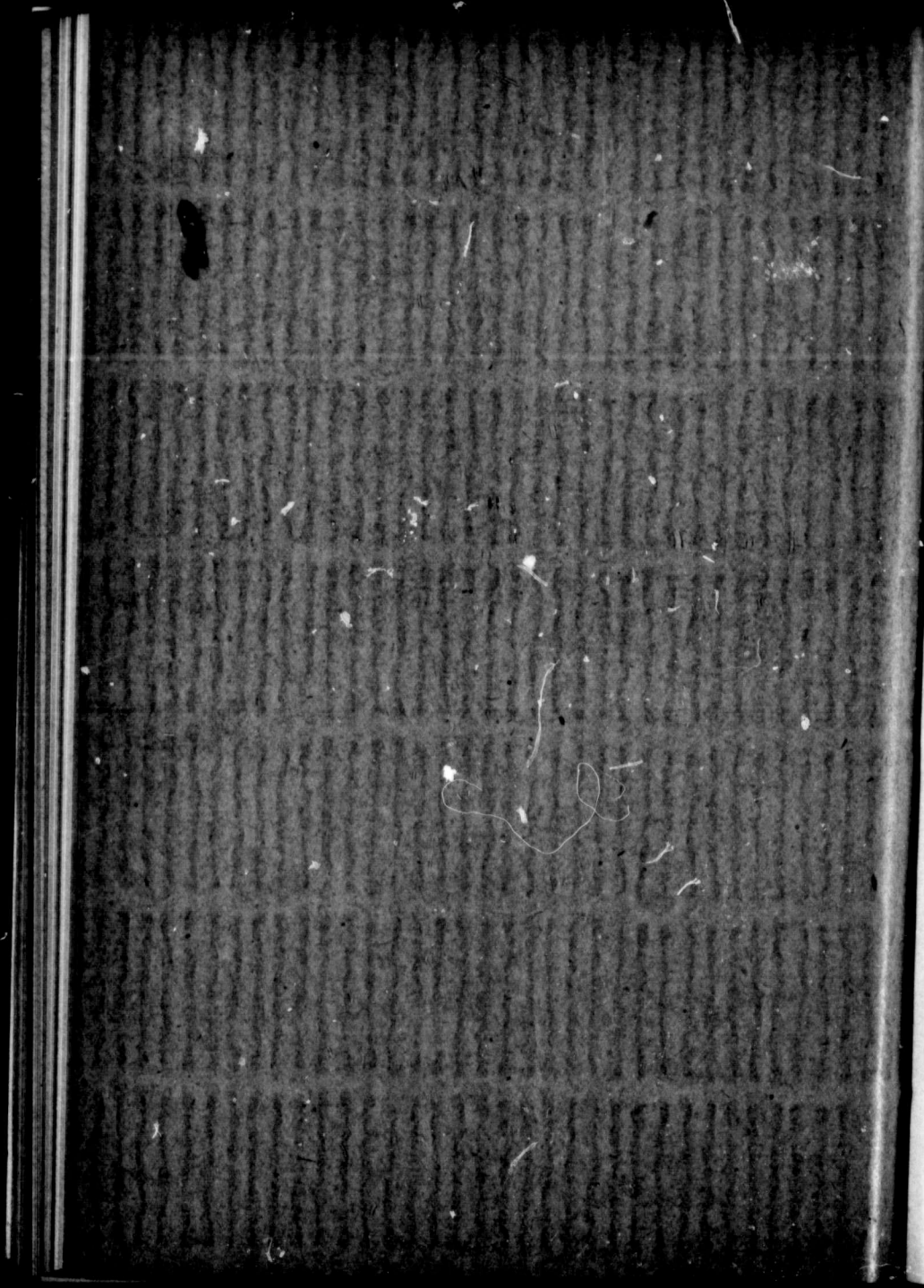
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## Governing Body of the Institute.

### PRESIDENT.

RICHARD B. ANGUS, Esq.

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E. S. CLOUSTON, Esq.

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Representative *Mercantile Library Association*.

ALFRED BRUNET, Esq.

Representative *Institut Canadien*.

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# THE FRASER INSTITUTE.

## Nineteenth Annual Report.

With deep regret the Governors have to record the removal by death of Mr. John H. R. Molson, who, for upwards of ten years, was an active member of the Board, and always manifested a lively interest in the welfare of the Institution, by his generous donations to its funds having enabled the Board to provide valuable literature for the Library. In addition to the material support given to the Institution during his life-time, Mr. Molson bequeathed \$30,000 to be applied to the purchase of books, thus providing means for years to come, to maintain the efficiency of the Library. This sum has been set aside for the purpose for which it was given, and will appear in the accounts for the ensuing year.

The usual financial statements, duly audited, for the year ending 30th June, 1897, are appended to this report.

The Governors regret to state that the revenue derived from the rental of the Fraser Buildings shows a considerable diminution, mainly owing to the fact that the large warehouse, 85 St. Peter Street, has been unoccupied since 1st May, 1896; every effort has been made to find a suitable tenant, but hitherto without success.

New furnaces had to be placed in the Fraser Buildings at a cost of \$769.00. The other items of revenue and expenditures do not call for any special comment,

The attendance at the Library continues to increase, 77,077 persons having availed themselves of its use during the past year, being an increase of 6,265 over the previous year; these figures attest the value, to the citizens, of a free Public Library.

The Governors have much pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of 355 volumes of well selected books, the gift of friends of the Institution; a list of these will be found on Schedule VII.

387 volumes have been purchased during the year, and some large orders for books have been placed in London and Paris. The Library Committee has given great attention to the selection of books, and the public is deeply indebted to its members for their zeal and untiring efforts to promote the interest of a most useful Institution, and carry out the wishes of the founder.

R. B. ANGUS,  
*President.*

MONTREAL, September 30, 1897.

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MONTREAL, Sept. 25th, 1897.

*To the President and Directors  
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GENTLEMEN :—

We have completed our usual audit of the financial transactions of the Institute, as recorded in the Books of Account, for the year ending 30th June, 1897.

We have certified the statements presented as correctly showing the receipts and disbursements for the year, and the present position of the Institute,

We find the records to have been kept in a very careful manner, and the disbursements to be in accordance with the maintenance of the Institute.

Respectfully submitted,

P. S. ROSS & SONS,

*Chartered Accountants.*



*Abstract of Receipts and Disbursements*

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RECEIPTS.

Revenue Account (See Schedule I) .....	\$ 10,552 53
Interest on Special Deposit in the Molsons Bank (Reserve Fund) .	118 12
McMartin Farm Property - Sixth payment on account of the purchase price .....	1,000 00
John Irvine's Note, unpaid .....	251 96
Catalogues (Sale) .....	25
Cash balance brought forward .....	710 52
Molsons Bank, brought forward .....	30,403 45
Molsons Bank, Special deposit (Reserve Fund for the purchase of books) .....	3,554 12

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MONTREAL, 28th September, 1897.

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DISBURSEMENTS.

Revenue Account, Current Annual Expenses (See Schedule I) \$11,006 77

FURNITURE ACCOUNT—

New Flag.....\$ 10 20  
 Fire Buckets..... 7 50

17 70

LIBRARY ACCOUNT—

Periodicals..... 169 35  
 Purchase of Books..... 511 40  
 Binding and Repairs ..... 110 32  
 Covering Tables..... 11 80

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John Irvine's Note, unpaid..... 251 96  
 Molsons Bank, on Special Deposit at interest..... 30,403 45  
 Molsons Bank, on Special Deposit at interest (Reserve  
 Fund for purchase of books)..... 3,050 52  
 Cash Balance on hand in the Bank..... 1,057 68

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Audited and Verified.

P. S. ROSS & SONS,  
 Chartered Accountants.

SCHEDULE I.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements on General

RECEIPTS.

Fraser Buildings—Rents.....		\$ 5,643 17
High School Property—		
The Hospital .....	\$ 800 00	
“ “ Furniture on, account .....	100 00	
“ “ Taxes 1895-96 .....	200 00	
“ Hall and other rooms.....	936 14	
	<hr/>	2,036 14
Kings Post Farm .....		1,000 00
Circulating Department .....		4 60
Interest refunded by Rbt. Hamilton, overpaid last year ...	6 83	
On credit balance at the Bank, general account....	1 99	
Molsons Bank, on special deposit of \$30,403 45...	1,177 80	
On balance of purchase price of the McMartin Farm. ....	182 00	
	<hr/>	1,368 62
Donations, presented to the Institute by the President for purchase of new chairs.....	500 00	
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		\$10,552 53
Balance to debit of Capital.		454 24
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MONTREAL, 28th September, 1897.

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SCHEDULE I.

Revenue Account for the year ending June 30th, 1897.

DISBURSEMENTS.

THE INSTITUTE—		
Annual Expenses (See Schedule III.) .....		\$ 4,283 03
Running expenses of the ground floor (See Schedule IV.) .....		232 46
HIGH SCHOOL PROPERTY—		
Painting the outside of buildings .....	\$ 235 00	
Repairing brick work and cornices .....	189 80	
Painting Blinds—The Hospital .....	30 51	
Plastering (Staircase) .....	2 65	
Tinting Library .....	40 00	
Repairs, Double Windows .....	30 95	
“ Porch—Hospital .....	6 50	
Taxes—Hospital .....		535 41
Library—Paid for new chairs .....		200 00
KINGS POST FARM—Insurance .....		380 00
		35 45
FRASER BUILDINGS—		
Insurance on Buildings .....	262 50	
“ “ Rents .....	44 62	
New Furnaces .....	769 10	
Alterations 85 St. Peter Street .....	100 00	
Current Expenses (See Schedule V) .....	2,755 67	
		3,931 89
ANNUITY to Alex. Fraser .....		1,000 00
Interest on Overdraft at the Bank .....	71 27	
“ Cheques (payable out of the city) .....	1 00	
		72 27
CURRENT EXPENSES—		
Stationery .....	21 52	
Auditor's Fee .....	25 00	
Bell Telephone .....	25 00	
Postages .....	11 00	
Printing and Engraving .....	56 75	
Legal and Notarial .....	179 30	
Miscellaneous .....	14 69	
Institut Canadien .....	3 00	
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## SCHEDULE II.

### *Statement of Subscriptions to the Fraser Institute.*

Will of the late Revd. Frederick Frothingham.....	\$25,000 00
John H. R. Molson, Esq.....	20,438 30
The Honourable Sir John Caldwell Abbott.....	5,000 00
Will of the late Thomas Workman.....	4,000 00
R. B. Angus, Esq.....	3,500 00
Honourable Justice Torrance.....	1 000 00
Peter Redpath, Esq.....	1,000 00
Hugh McLennan, Esq.....	1,000 00
W. C. McDonald, Esq.....	1,000 00
Thomas Workman, Esq.....	1,000 00
Duncan McIntyre, Esq.....	1,000 00
Sir Donald A. Smith.....	1,000 00
W. B. Cummings, Esq.....	250 00
O. S. Wood, Esq.....	250 00
Geo. Hague, Esq.....	250 00
Andrew Allan, Esq.....	250 00
Chas. Cushing, Esq.....	250 00
G. W. Hamilton, Esq.....	100 00
Anon. ....	126 38
Total amount of donations to date,	\$66,414 68

Certified correct,

P. S. ROSS & SONS.

MONTREAL, 16th Sept., 1897.

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SCHEDULE III.

Statement of the current Annual Expenses of the  
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Salaries.....		\$3,199 78
Taxes.....		139 50
Gas for Institute and Caretaker's house.....		270 48
Auer Light Company, (Ladies' room).....		7 50
Heating.....		226 56
Cleaning, charing, and removing snow.....		45 54
Water Rates.....		40 26
Expenses Montreal Book Club.....		10 00
MISCELLANEOUS :—		
Plumbing.....	2 00	
Double Windows.....	4 47	
Carpentering.....	30 79	
Printing.....	9 75	
Carting Ashes, etc.....	15 00	
Book Plates.....	11 00	
Stationery.....	18 35	
Repairs to Furnaces.....	55 16	
Fitting up Ladies' Room.....	28 27	
Tinting Staircase.....	30 00	
Lettering Shelves.....	7 32	
Fixtures for Fire Buckets.....	8 73	
Sundries.....	16 15	
Insurance—McKay Pictures.....		236 99
do —Books.....	46 92	
	59 50	
Institut Canadien.....		106 42
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Verified.  
P. S. ROSS & SONS,  
Chartered Accountants.  
MONTREAL, 16th Sept., 1897.

## SCHEDULE IV.

*The Fraser Institute.—Basement. Year  
ending June 30th, 1897.*

1.—Nil.		
2.—RUNNING EXPENSES		
Heating .....	\$113 28	
Lighting .....	90 12	
Cleaning.....	2 50	
Water Rate .....	17 46	
Repairs to Electric Plant.....	9 10	
		<u>232 46</u>

Verified.

P. S. ROSS & SONS,  
Chartered Accountants.

MONTREAL, 16th Sept., 1897.

## SCHEDULE V.

*Statement of the Current Annual Expenses of the  
Fraser Buildings, for the Year ending  
June 30th, 1897.*

Salary of Caretaker.....	\$225 00	
“ Elevator man.....	240 00	
		<u>\$ 465 00</u>
Gas .....	150 96	
Water Rate.....	3 64	
City Taxes.....	848 75	
Heating, (Coal and Wood).....	535 65	
Elevator, Electric Power.....	450 00	
“ “ Repairs.....	47 84	
		<u>497 84</u>
Putting up and taking down Double Windows.....		30 00
Repairs—Carpentering .....	23 02	
Plumbing .....	61 63	
Tinting.....	13 00	
Clearing snow .....	5 00	
Painting .....	12 00	
Plastering .....	13 43	
Cleaning .....	18 25	
Drexel Lights.....	9 00	
Hose.....	12 75	
Wire Mat .....	9 25	
Miscellaneous.....	46 50	
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P. S. ROSS & SONS,  
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MONTREAL, 16th Sept., 1897.

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*Abstract of Attendance at the Library during the Year ending June 30th, 1897.*

	MORN.	AFT.	EVE.	TOTAL.
Actual attendance during the past year....	18,936	42,848	15,293	77,077
Number of times open.....	340	340	293	340
Average attendance, <i>per diem</i> .....	56	126	52	227

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*Comparative Attendance during the Ten Months ending June 30th, 1897.*

Average attendance, <i>per diem</i> .....	MORN.	AFT.	EVE.	TOTAL.
..... 1886-87.	21	46	17	84
..... 1887-88.	26	49	22	97
..... 1888-89.	23	52	27	102
..... 1889-90.	24	66	27	117
..... 1890-91.	28	62	32	122
..... 1891-92.	34	67	31	132
..... 1892-93.	32	61	30	123
..... 1893-94.	44	76	33	153
..... 1894-95.	47	101	49	197
..... 1895-96.	57	118	48	223
..... 1896-97.	58	135	52	245

*Comparative Statistics of Attendance per Month during the past Year.*

Average daily attendance.	MORNING.	AFTERNOON.	EVENING.
Largest..... Feb. and Mar. = 76	171		59
Smallest..... July and Aug. = 31	52		September = 41

In comparing the different figures given above, it should be borne in mind that the Library is closed in the evenings during the months of July and August.

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## SCHEDULE VII.

*List of Donations of Books for the Year ending  
June 30th, 1897.*

	VOLS.
ANONYMOUS.....	3
AYER, WILLIAM C.....	1
BAILLAIRGE, C.....	29
BIBLIOTICA NACIONAL (ARGENTINA) .....	4
BROUGH, WILLIAM.....	1
BURTON, A. H.....	7
CANADA, GOVERNMENT OF.....	83
CANADIAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS.....	2
CHAMBERLAIN, MRS. A. E.....	2
CHATEAU DE RAMEZAY MUSEUM .....	1
COBDEN CLUB.....	4
DAVIES, J. TRY.....	22
DAWSON, S. E.....	1
DOMINION ALLIANCE.....	2
FORTIER, DR. L. E.....	2
FRANCIS, MRS. F. W.....	23
HARVARD UNIVERSITY.....	1
HOUGHTON, MISS.....	2
JARDIN BOTANICO DE RIO DE JANEIRO.....	1
LA TROBE, J.....	5
LEPROHON, J. DE N.....	1
LIVERPOOL PUBLIC LIBRARY.....	1
LAVAL UNIVERSITY.....	1
MCGILL UNIVERSITY.....	1
MCLENNAN, FRANCIS.....	5
MCLENNAN, WM.....	69
MAISONNEUVE MONUMENT COMMITTEE.....	1
MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, (ST. LOUIS).....	1
MOLSON, MRS. JOHN H. R.....	13
MONTREAL BOOK CLUB.....	44
MONTREAL, CITY OF.....	2
PATON, ALLAN PARK.....	1
PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGERY.....	1
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION, MINISTER OF, (FRANCE).....	1
QUEBEC, PROVINCE OF.....	1
REAL ACADEMIA DE CIENCIAS (MADRID).....	1

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 ROYAL COLONIAL INSTITUTE..... 1  
 ROYAL SOCIETY OF CANADA..... 1  
 SEEBOLD, GEORGE..... 1  
 STEWART, MISS SOPHY..... 1  
 THOMPSON, HERBERT M..... 2  
 TORONTO PUBLIC LIBRARY..... 1  
 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA..... 1  
 VAN HORNE, SIR WILLIAM C..... 1  
 WALKER, EXECUTORS OF LATE CHARLES CLEMENT..... 3  
 WILSON, MRS. ROBERT..... 1  
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*Books Purchased during the Year ending the  
30th June, 1897.*

Burke, Sir Bernard.....	Peerage.....	1
Burke, Sir Bernard.....	Landed Gentry.....	2
Braddon, Sir Edward....	Thirty Years of Shikar.....	1
Hayman, Henry.....	Why we Suffer.....	1
Thorpe, W. G.....	Still Life of the Middle Temple.....	1
Thorpe, W. G.....	Middle Temple Table Talk.....	1
Savage, Landor A. H.....	Corea or Cho-sen.....	1
Ducrest, Madame.....	Memoirs of the Empress Josephine.....	2
Mallock, W. H.....	In an Enchanted Island.....	1
Cartwright, Jas. J. (Ed)...	The Wentworth Papers, 1705-1739.....	1
Dufferin, Helen Lady.....	Songs, Poems and Verses of.....	1
Burke, Ulick R.....	History of Spain.....	2
Sherard, K. H.....	Alphonse Daudet.....	1
Segur, Count Louis de....	An Aide-de-Camp of Napoleon.....	1
Emden, Baron L. Von....	Family Life of Heinrich Heine.....	1
Wills, C. J.....	Behind an Eastern Veil.....	1
Joinville, Prince de.....	Memoirs.....	1
Armstrong, Edward.....	Elizabeth Farnese.....	1
Wingfield, Hon. Lewis....	Wanderings of a Globe-Trotter.....	2
Blackburn, Henry.....	Artistic Travel.....	1
Field, Henry M.....	Old and New Spain.....	1
Knight, Joseph.....	David Garrick.....	1
Williams, Montague.....	Round London.....	1
Balfour, A. J.....	Foundations of Belief.....	1
Bell, Chas. D.....	Winter on the Nile.....	1
'Son of the Marshes'.....	On Surrey Hills.....	1
Archer, Wm.....	Theatrical World of 1893.....	1
Hare, Augustus J. C.....	Sussex.....	1
Rolinson, Chas. N.....	British Fleet.....	1
Harris, Walter B.....	Land of an African Sultan.....	1
Jeffries, Richard.....	Toilers of the Field.....	1
Browne, Eliza S.....	A Girl of Eighty Years Ago.....	1
Portal, Gerald H.....	My Mission to Abyssinia.....	1
Atchison, Chas. C.....	Winter Cruise in Summer Seas.....	1
Edgar, Matilda (Ed).....	Ten Years of Upper Canada.....	1
Bent, J. Theodore.....	Sacred City of the Ethiopians.....	1
Fitzmaurice, Kelly J.....	Life of Cervantes.....	1
Login, Ladv.....	Sir John Login and Duleep Singh.....	1
Hole, Dean.....	Memoirs of.....	1
Walker, Bettina.....	My Musical Experiences.....	1
Baker, Ed. H.....	Two Summers in Guyenne.....	1
Argyle, Duke of.....	Unseen Foundations of Society.....	1
Princep, Val. C.....	Imperial India.....	1
Baker, Henry B.....	Our Old Actors.....	2
Legge, Alfred D.....	The Unpopular King (Richard III).....	2
Rose, Hugh Jas.....	Untrodden Spain.....	2
Rose, Hugh Jas.....	Among the Spanish People.....	2
'Anon'.....	Short American Tramp in 1864.....	1
Stanley, Frances.....	St. Petersburg to Pleona.....	1
Lowth, G. T.....	Wanderer in Western France.....	1
Wood, Charles W.....	Under Northern Skies.....	1

Cochran  
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	Cochrane, Alex. B.	Historic Châteaux	1
	Lawrence, George	Border and Bastille	1
	Shipp, John	Memoirs of	1
	Donovan, Dick	Detective Triumphs	1
	O'Mera, Kathleen	Old House in Picardy	1
	Linskill, Mary	Clevedon	1
	Phelps, Elizabeth S	Come Forth	1
	'Anon'	Doctor Quodlibet	1
	Shorthouse, J. H.	Countess Eve	1
	Black, Wm	Judith Shakespeare	1
	Rives, Amelie	According to Sir John	1
	Buchanan, R.	Come Live with Me and be My Love	1
	Fromzos, Karb E.	For the Right	1
	Melville, G. J. Whyte	Sister Louise	1
	'Anon'	Hotel d'Angleterre	1
	Dobson, Austin	Four Frenchwomen	1
	Hearn, Lafcadio	Glimpses of Unfamiliar Japan	2
	Strachey, Sir Edward	Talk at a Country House	1
	Rimmer, Alfred	Rambles Round Rugby	1
	Pennell, Jos. and E. K.	Stream of Pleasure	1
	Mitchell, Donald G.	English Lands, Letters and Kings	1
	Luffmann, C. B.	A Vagabond in Spain	1
	Matthews, Brander	Books and Play-Books	1
	Goddard, Arthur	Players of the Period	1
	Rogers, Capt. Woodes	Life Aboard a British Privateer	2
	Luckock, Herbert M.	Church in Scotland	1
	Owen, J. A.	Forest, Field and Fell	1
	Magnus, Lady	Jewish Portraits	1
	Mallock, W. H.	Studies in Conemporary Superstition	1
	Crellin, H. M.	Romances of the Old Seraglio	1
	Morrison, Arthur	Tales of Mean Streets	1
	Woods, Margaret L.	The Vagabonds	1
	Rothwell, Chas. C.	Stolen Bishop	1
	Verga, Giovanni	House by the Medlar Tree	1
	Thomas, J. J.	Fraudacity	1
	Swinburne, A. C.	Studies in Prose and Poetry	1
	Zimmern, Helen	The Hansa Towns	1
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