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REPORT

OF THE

HALIFAX

Protestant Industrial School,

1886.

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HALIFAX
PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Gentlemen's Committee.

J. S. MACLEAN, CHAIRMAN,	Hon. W. J. STAIRS,
S. M. BROOKFIELD,	E. D. MEYNELL,
T. A. BROWN,	T. A. RITCHIE,
W. H. NEAL,	J. M. DEWOLF,
Rev'd. R. F. BURNS, D. D.,	Rev. J. J. TEASDALE,
ADAM BURNS,	Rev. DR. HOLE,
ROB'T. TAYLOR,	S. E. WHISTON.

Treasurer.

JOHN S. MACLEAN.

Secretary.

E. D. MEYNELL.

Surgeon.

DR. LINDSAY.

Superintendent.

MR. ROBT. NORMAN.

Matron.

MRS. NORMAN.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT, 1886.

The past year has been one of much anxiety to the Board, owing to the supply of work in the Shoe Shop almost ceasing, thereby throwing a number of our older boys nearly idle and decreasing our earnings very materially. We close the year in debt about four hundred dollars, and to enable us to do effective work this debt will have to be paid; and we look to our friends, some of whom have been contributors for nearly twenty-five years, to aid us in our determination to pay as we go, and keep out of debt. In former years we were always worried with a balance against us. For the past few years we have been able, by prudence and economy, to live within our income; but owing to the death of some of our best friends, and business reverses of others, our income has greatly lessened; adding to these the loss of work in the shoe shop, it is no wonder we are in debt.

As will be seen by the Superintendent's report, we commenced the year with 31 boys and closed with 27, one having died during the year. We ought to have at least ten more boys, which would not cost the Institution over one-fourth more expense to keep, as we have to maintain as large a staff for forty as for thirty, but we are happy to say the supply is visibly lessening. There are certainly not as many bad boys brought before the magistrate of the Police Court as there were in former years, and we know that this institution has been the means of saving scores of poor boys, who would have been regular inmates of Rock Head, or perhaps the Penitentiary. No one but those who have been closely connected with the Institution for the past quarter of a century knows what numbers of excellent men in the city and elsewhere, earning good wages and making excellent citizens, have been rescued in their boyhood from the streets, educated, taught a trade, and sent out into the world fully equipped to earn an honest living. The Industrial School has certainly cost much money and

labour; but it has saved the city and citizens by reforming a class who would have grown up in idleness, a disgrace to their families and a tax to the city.

Our Superintendent, Mr. Norman, and his excellent wife, continue to give every satisfaction to the directors, and have the full confidence and affection of all the boys; we trust they may both be long spared to continue their excellent work.

Mr. Norman had some weeks leave of absence to visit his home in England, and it is very satisfactory to know that under the care of Mrs. Norman the boys, without an exception, behaved like young gentlemen, not a single offence of any kind being noted during Mr. Norman's absence. Our most excellent and painstaking night school teacher, Mr. Kennedy, continues with us and the boys are much attached to him, and are progressing well in their studies; his report is appended. Dr. Lindsay gives every attention when necessary, and deserves our warmest thanks; his report is also appended.

J. S. MACLEAN,
President.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

The number of boys at the Institution at the commencement of the year was 31; four left, having served their allotted term, are in good situations and doing well. One boy for insubordination was sent on to New York to reside with a relative and at their expense; 3 boys ran away during the year; 2 were brought back, and being their second offence the Stipendiary Magistrate sentenced each to an additional year. 3 boys entered during the year, one lad died of congestion of lungs and heart trouble in City Hospital.

I am pleased to state that the conduct of the boys has been very satisfactory, both at the Home and also at the different churches visited, where they are always welcomed by ministers and congregation. One of the following churches have been attended each Sabbath, weather permitting: St. Paul's, St. George's, Fort Massey, St. Andrew's, Park Street Presbyterian, Brunswick St., Grafton St., Charles St., Beech Street Methodist, North Baptist churches. Sabbath afternoons, as usual, school has been conducted by the Superintendent, assisted by Mr. J. M. DeWolf, one of the directors. W. B. McNutt kindly gave his services during the absence of the Superintendent in England. For several years we have endeavoured to improve the singing of the boys, several of them having very good voices, which helped to make the services at the Home of greater interest during the year. Several of our best singers have left the School, time expired; we hope, however, before long to bring those who are still with us, up to a better state of efficiency, and make our services of song of greater interest.

A concert was given on behalf of the funds of the School in the large lecture room of St. Andrew's church, kindly placed at our disposal by the trustees free of charge; it was a success in every way, netting \$51.15.

The annual picnic given by the Board was held in August at Bedford. Messrs. Franklyn and Morrow, with

their usual kindness, placed the steam yacht "Arrow" at the disposal of the directors free of charge. The day was very fine and the trip up the Basin was very much enjoyed by all. Rev. J. J. Teasdale, E. D. Meynell and several friends of the School, accompanied the boys. All returned home safe and delighted with the day's outing.

Christmas was celebrated in the usual way, many kind friends assisting to make the day one of real enjoyment. The decorations in the entrance hall and school room were much admired by all present. Members of the Board of Directors present: J. S. Maclean, President; S. M. Brookfield, Robt. Taylor, Hon. W. J. Stairs, Adam Burns, Rev. Dr. Burns, W. H. Neal, J. M. DeWolf, E. D. Meynell. Visitors present: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen W. Taylor, Worrall, O'Brien, Wilson and Mosher; Dr. Trenaman, C. C. Blackadar, and Mr. Rankin of St. John, N. B. After disposing of the excellent dinner provided for the boys, addresses were delivered by His Worship Mayor Mackintosh and several aldermen, all expressed their gratification at the success of the Institution and the benefit it has been to our city. The boys enlivened the proceedings with some very pretty Christmas carols. The customary prizes were given to each boy by the directors. Mrs. Adam Burns, with her usual kindness, gave \$6, to be given as prizes for the best collection of natural objects, but as this year the collection was small, \$3 was awarded, and the balance to be added to next year's collection. Alderman Worrall handed \$10 to the President to be given to the three boys who should secure the highest number of marks for good conduct during the year 1887, and C. C. Blackadar offered to give the same amount. The rest of the day was spent with the usual amusements and a bountiful supply of oranges, nuts, cake, &c.

The health of the boys during the year has been exceptionally good, for particulars see Dr. Lindsay's report.

The thanks of the Committee are most cordially tendered to Dr. Lindsay for his valuable and gratuitous services; also to Mr. Jakeman, Veterinary Surgeon, for his kind services whenever required; to Hon. T. D. Archibald for

annual gift of ten chaldrons of coal; to H. A. Taylor and A. F. Buckley for their kind services in taking orders for wood, &c.; to trustees of St. Andrew's church for use of lecture room for concert; to Mr. Huestis for "Wesleyan," and Prof. C. F. Fraser for "Critic," weekly, and all our friends who have so generously contributed in books and money; and to the press of our city for their kind notices of our affairs as the occasion required.

ROBT. NORMAN,
Superintendent.

TEACHER'S REPORT.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL :

Gentlemen,—Since my appointment by the Halifax School Board I have regularly spent two hours of each Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, in the school-room of the Industrial School building, and I have always found the class a satisfactory one. I am never troubled by tardiness or absence except when a boy is ill, which happens very rarely. To the good management of the Superintendent I am indebted for finding the boys clean and in the school-room at seven o'clock. Of course we do not accomplish as much in eight hours a week as the public schools do in twenty-five; but considering the time devoted to work I believe the results will bear favourable comparison with those of any other school. This is partly due to the regularity of attendance and partly to the fact that, as a rule, the boys are more advanced in years than most classes doing the same grade of work. Although their early education has in most cases been neglected their maturer years enable them to make more rapid progress—particularly in arithmetic and penmanship—than the much younger children who commonly pursue studies of a corresponding grade.

I may say that all our work is of a practical character, as I endeavour to keep always in view what will be of the greatest benefit to the boys in after life. What a blessing the Institution is to the lads who have the good fortune to find themselves in it! And what a blessing it would become to the dozens of uncared-for boys—embryo criminals—who wander about the streets, mutually training and encouraging each other in evil. If prevention is better than cure I hope that on economic, if on no higher grounds, the time is not far distant when the Industrial School will

be largely supported by city finances and used by the civic authorities to check the progress of vice among friendless youth and to set on the road to prosperity and respectability those who might otherwise grow up to be a disgrace and a burden to the city.

Your obedient servant,

W. T. KENNEDY.

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SURGEON'S REPORT.

The Committee Protestant Industrial School :

GENTLEMEN,—Although the general health of the School during the past year has been good, I regret to have to note the death of one of the pupils while still connected with the Institution, and of another who had left so recently that he was still almost considered one of the number. Both these boys suffered from organic disease of the heart. The former—young Hodgson—in May last having sustained injury by a fall, and at the same time being seized with congestion of the lungs, was removed to Hospital, where he died in the course of a few days. Thomas Ballard had been under treatment for some time for Cardiac Disease and was getting along favourably when, his time having expired, he left the Institution. Being deprived of the comforts and attention to which he had been accustomed he speedily lost ground and after a short illness died rather suddenly Feb. 8, '87.

It is most satisfactory however to know that not a single case of infectious disease has occurred during the year, notwithstanding the fact that Diphtheria has been more or less prevalent, and in some institutions given considerable trouble.

I cannot but bear testimony to the uniform kindness and attention bestowed by both Mr. and Mrs. Norman upon the boys under their charge, and as far as I have seen the lads fully appreciate their services.

A. W. H. LINDSAY,
Surg. to Prot. Ind. School.

241 Pleasant St., Halifax, April 2, 1887.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The Lieut.-Governor...	\$ 8 00	Franklyn, G E.....	\$10 00
Archibold, E. P.	5 00	Friend	1 50
Adams, E. D.....	2 00	" per J. S. M.....	10 00
Avery, Dr	20 00	" 	9,74
Anderson, Billing & Co.	10 00	" 	1 00
Almon, M. B.....	2 00	Fraser, W. J.....	2 00
Austen Bros.....	1 00	Gibson, John.....	10 00
Blackadar, Mrs. C. C. .	2 00	Gray, B. G.....	8 00
Blackadar, C. C.	2 00	Greer, G. M.....	1 00
B. & B.	4 00	Gunn, A.....	5 00
Boak, G. E. & Co.....	2 00	Harrington, E. S.....	5 00
Brown, Thos. A.....	20 00	Halifax Carpet Co.....	2 00
Brown Thos.....	2 00	Hart, Levi.....	2 00
Brookfield, Bros.	15 00	Hyde, W. S.....	1 00
Burns, Adam.....	10 00	Hesslein, H. & Sons....	10 00
Burns, Rev. Dr.....	5 00	Jack, Peter	5 00
Bell, A. J.....	2 00	Jones, Hon. A. G.....	5 00
Bell, A. M.....	20 00	Keith, Donald	2 00
Bell, H. H.....	2 00	Lawson, Harrington & Co	8 00
Black, Miss C. H.....	5 00	Lewis, W. J.....	5 00
Black, S. H.....	2 00	Longard Bros.....	5 00
Black, M. P.....	25 00	Matheson, Harley & Co.	4 00
Brookfield, S. M.	20 00	Maingay, Col.....	25 00
Brown, M. S.....	10 00	Menger, J.....	5 00
Cavendish	3 55	Morse, J. E.....	1 00
Corbett, F. D.....	10 00	Morrow, M. R.....	2 00
Chipman, J. A.....	2 00	Mott, J. P. & Co.....	15 00
Coleman, W. J.....	2 00	Morrison, E.....	2 00
Cornelius, J.....	1 00	McCoy, W. F.....	1 00
Cogswell, Rev. W. H... 20 00		Morrow, Jas.....	10 00
Cook, H.....	2 00	Mahon Bros.....	5 00
Crearar, John.....	5 00	Mathers, I. H.....	1 00
Creighton, C. A.....	2 00	McMurray, R.....	1 00
Davison, J.....	1 00	Macdonald & Co.....	5 00
Doull & Miller	20 00	Mackintosh, J. C.....	5 00
Duffield A.....	5 00	Motton, Robt.....	1 00
Dunn, Wiman & Co....	5 00	Moir, W. C., Son & Co.	10 00
Eaton, B. H.....	1 00	Macleam, J. S.....	20 00
Elliot, Freeman.....	2 00	Northup, Mrs.....	10 00
Farquharson, J.....	2 00	Oland, S., Son & Co....	5 00
Faulkner, G. E.....	2 00	Payne, T. J.....	2 00
Fleming, S.....	20 00	Parker, Hon. D. McN..	10 00
Forrest, James	5 00	Parker, F. G.....	1 00

Payzant, J. Y.	\$ 2 00	Starr, G. H.	\$20 00
Pickford & Black	20 00	Sweet, R. J.	4 00
Read, Dr. H. H.	2 00	Starr, John	5 00
Reid, Dr. A. P.	5 00	Stephenson, W.	5 00
Rent, G.	3 00	Theakston & Angwin ...	5 00
Ritchie, Thos. A.	30 00	Thomson, James	40 00
Ritchie, T.	5 00	Thomson, Cathcart	5 00
Robertson, W.	5 00	Thomson, G.	5 00
Sarre, W. C.	2 00	Thorne, E. L.	1 00
Silver, W. C.	10 00	Troop, George J.	5 00
Silver, J. & Co.	2 00	Taylor, Robt.	5 00
Smith, E. G.	5 00	Uniacke, Robie.	4 00
Smith, J. Wesley.	5 00	Whitman, C. H.	2 00
Smith, B. A.	2 00	Wilmot, Mrs. L. A.	5 00
Smith, G. M.	1 00	Wilson, J. E.	2 00
Schwartz, W. H. & Son.	2 00	Woodbury, F.	2 00
Scott, James	5 00	Young, Sir W.	20 00
Stairs, Hon. W.	30 00		

Legacy 1886.

Mrs. J. B. Bland \$400,00

THE following persons and Corporations guarantee the payment of \$60 or \$40 per annum, for the board of a boy:

St. Matthew's Sabbath School.....	1
St. Paul's Sabbath School.....	0
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.....	1
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	0
G. H. Starr.....	1
Late A. K. Doull's Legacy.....	2
City of Halifax.....	16
T. A. Ritchie.....	1
Mrs. Jer'h. Northup.....	1
Mrs. Schwartz.....	1
Mrs. Tierney.....	1
John Hall.....	1
Alex. Dow.....	1

Guarantee Paid 1886.

Mrs. Scarfe.....	30 00
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	
St. Matthew's Church S. S.....	30 00
Bishop Binney.....	40 00
G. H. Starr.....	40 00
St. Paul's S. School.....	40 00
Ritchie, T. A.....	40 00
City of Halifax for 1½ years.....	1065 00
Mrs. Jer'h. Northup.....	40 00
Mrs. Schwartz.....	20 00
Mrs. Tierney.....	66 00
Jas. Hall.....	
Alex. Dow.....	60 00

Financial Statement of the Halifax Protestant Industrial School.

	DR.		CR.
1885.	To balance	\$ 302 19	
Dec. 31.			By Shoe Department.....\$ 201 75
1886.	" Clothing acct.....	441 57	" Kindling Wood
Dec. 31.	" Diet	958 24	" Carpet Department..... 166 41
	" Fuel and Oil	201 80	" Guarantees
	" Insurance	78 50	" City
	" Wages and Salary.....	758 23	" Donations
	" Labor on Farm	145 00	" " from England per
	" Farm Expenses	485 69	Superintendent..... 21 00
	" Repairs, including new floor-	715 43	" Proceeds of Concert..... 51 25
	ing, &c., in basement		" Interest on Deposits
	" Repairs fire damage and shin-		Mr. Taylor, use of engine... 9 00
	gling, painting, &c., south		" Board of man
	side	490 47	" Rent of Cottage
	" Furniture	33 64	" Sale of farm produce
	" Sundries	273 82	" J. M. DeWolf received acct
	" Slabs, etc	515 03	" Deposits withdrawn for re-
	" Water rate.....	41 25	pairs
	" Rent of Field.....	60 00	" Balance
	" Discount.....	55	" Due Superintd't .. 42 41
		<u>\$5501 41</u>	
1887.			
Jan. 1.	To balance	\$443 06	

Examined and found correct.
 (Signed) JNO. W. GORHAM, Auditor.

Halifax, 31st Decr., 1886. E. D. MEYNELL.