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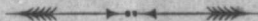
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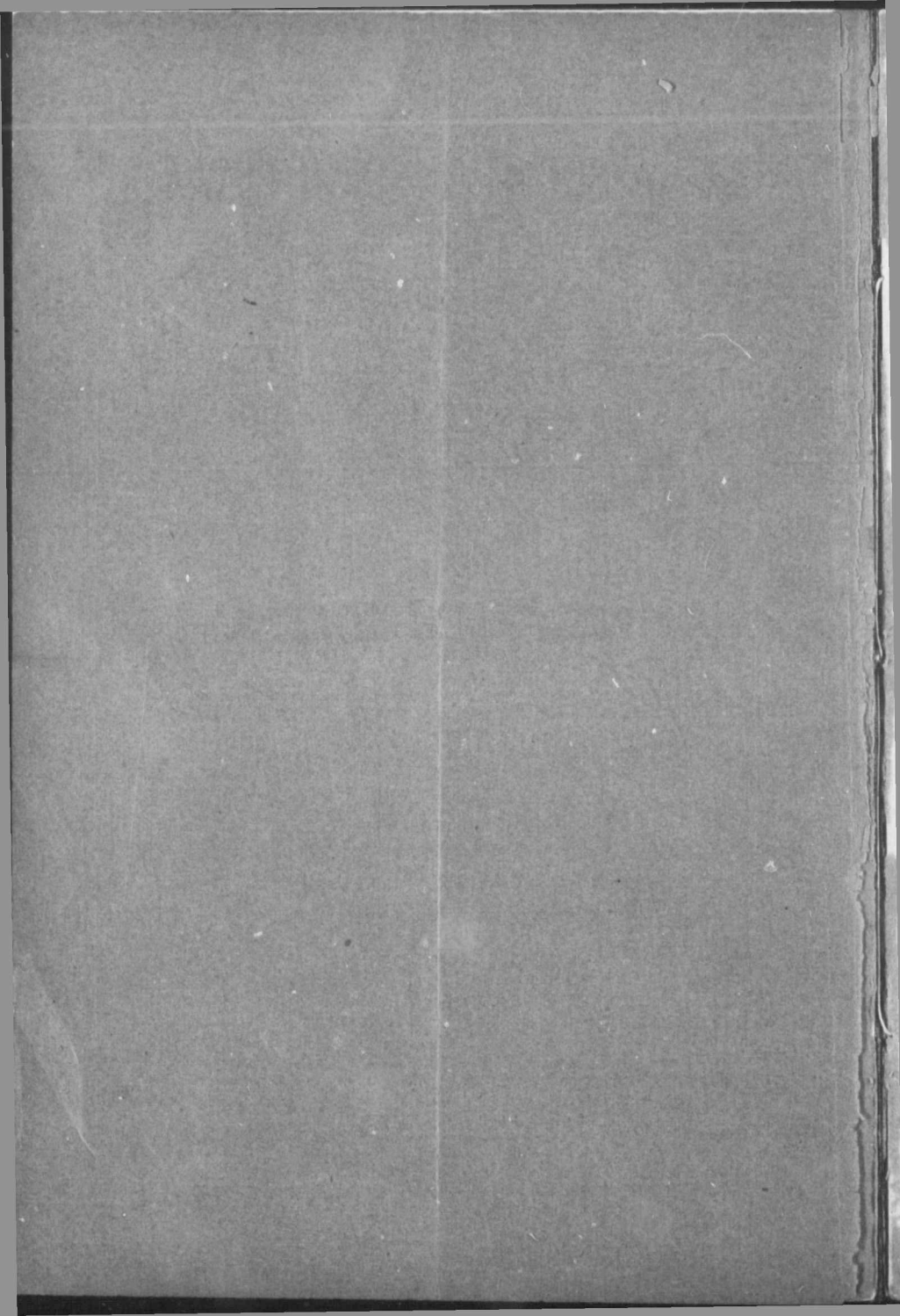
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PATRON:—HIS EXCELLENCY THE MARQUIS OF LANDSDOWNE.

OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1884-85.

PRESIDENT.....MR. ALLAN GILMOUR.
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Mr. H. F. Checkley.	Mr. J. Whiteaves.
Mr. Thomas Fuller, F.R.C.A.	Dr. Grant.

LIST OF MEMBERS FOR THE YEAR 1883-84.

* The Members whose names are marked with an asterisk in the following list are members for life, under the "Constitution" of the Association Clause IV, which provides as follows: "Any member contributing fifty dollars or more, shall be a member for life."

Adamson, James	Checkley, F.
Allan, W.	Christie, A.
*Armstrong, J.	Christie, John
Bate, H. N.	Costigan, Hon. J.
Bate, Newell	Courtney, J. M.
Bourinot, J. G.	Cranell, L.
Bowell, Hon. Mackenzie	Dawson, Rev. Æneas
Bradley, Austin	* Dennis, Lt.-Col. J. S.
Bristow, A.	Devlin, R. J.
* Brophy, G. P.	* Dixon, F. A.
Burgess, A. M.	Douglas, R. C.
* Bronson, H. F.	Drummond, A.
Campbell, Hon. Sir Alexander	Durie, J.
* Campbell, W.	Ennis, F. H.
Caron, Hon. P.	Ewart, D.
Chamberlin, Lt.-Col. B.	Fleck, A.
* Chamberlin, Mrs.	

- * Fleming, Sandford
- Frechette, A.
- Fuller T.
- * Gilmour, Allan
- Grant, Dr.
- Griffin, J. W.
- Griffin, W. H.
- * Gordon, James
- * Gwynne, Hon. Justice

- Harper, J. W.
- Henderson, Dr.
- * Hill, Dr. Hamnett
- Hinton, Joseph
- Hope, J.

Irwin, Lt.-Col. D. T.

Johnson, J.

- Keefer, T. C.
- Kirkpatrick, Hon. G.

- Lambert, Hon. O. H.
- Langevin, Hon. Sir Hector
- Lewis, J. Travers
- * Lorne, the Marquis of
- Luard, Major-General

- Macdonald, Hon. Sir John
- Macpherson, Hon. D.
- Macpherson, Lt.-Col.
- Magee, Charles
- Meara, H. O.
- Miall, E.

- McGee, J. J.
- McIntyre, A. F.
- McKay, Thomas
- McLaughlin, S.
- McLean, A. M.
- McLellan, Hon. A. W.
- McNab, James

*Noel, H. V,

- Parris, W.
- Pinhey, C. H.
- * Pinhey, John H.
- Pope, Hon. J. H.
- Powell, Lt.-Col. W.
- Pritchard, H. T.

- *Ritchie, Sir W.
- Roger, J. C.
- Ross, W. A.

- Schreiber, Collingwood
- Scott, Hon. R. W.
- Scott, T.
- Shoolbred, W.
- * Slater, Mrs.
- Smirle, A.
- * Smith, Marcus
- Stark, D.
- Stephen, A. J.
- Stevens, C. F.
- Stewart, Archibald
- Stewart, McLeod

- Taylor, Fennings
- *Thompson, Philip
- Tilley, W. J.
- Trudeau, T.
- Tupper, Hon. Sir Charles
- Tyrell, G. N.

Uglow, R.

- Waller, W. H.
- * Watts, J. W. H.
- Whiteaves, J.
- * Wicksteed, G. W.
- Wicksteed, H.
- Wicksteed, R.
- * Wise, F. A.
- Workman, A.
- Woodburn, A. S.
- Wright, Dr. H. P.
- *Wright, Alonzo

ART ASSOCIATION OF OTTAWA.

The Annual Meeting of the above Association, postponed from the 21st was held on the 28th May, 1884, in the new rooms, Sparks Street, the chair being taken by Mr. Sandford Fleming, first Vice-President.

The following Report was presented :

OTTAWA, May 21st, 1884.

To the Members of the Art Association of Ottawa :—

The Executive Council of the Art Association of Ottawa, for the year 1883-84, beg to present their report upon the transactions of the year and their management of the affairs of the Association entrusted to them at its commencement.

The Association numbers 106 members, as against 70 last year. Of these, however, about 35 are members by virtue of donation to the building fund. Your Executive would point with pleasure to the fact that the list, while still far from embracing all who, from their position in the city and personal culture, might be expected to give their support and countenance to an institution of this character, contains a large number of names of those who are distinguished not only in our local circles, but also in the wider field of national interests. It is hoped that in the ensuing year the presentation of the claims of your Society to recognition, based as they would be on the steady, honest work of the past, will result in a considerable addition to the present roll of members, and to the obtaining of that hearty co-operation which is so necessary to permanent success in such undertakings.

In the departure from Canada of the Marquis of Lorne and Her Royal Highness the Princess Louise, the Association suffered the loss of two kind and constant friends, to whose beneficence and practical interest in all that concerned the School which is the main feature of our work, it unloudedly owes its very existence. Your Executive, as in duty bound, took the necessary steps prior to their leaving Ottawa, to express on be-

half of the Association, the deep feeling of gratitude and appreciation which it is confidently believed the members of that body feel towards His Excellency and his royal wife.

Your Executive would here state with much satisfaction that in the person of the present Governor-General, the Marquis of Lansdowne, they have found one whose sympathies are entirely with the Association and its work ; and they would record the fact that, as your representatives, they have been permitted the privilege of presenting an address to His Excellency in this place ; that the gift of two valuable prizes on his part to the successful competitors in the leading branches of the past session's work has followed, and that His Excellency has been pleased to become the Patron of the Association.

Your Executive have to state that in accordance with the terms of the report adopted at the last annual meeting, the incorporation of the Society under the name of the " Art Association of Ottawa " has been obtained, and that the Association is now duly qualified to hold land and to exercise other functions of an incorporated body in this city.

The scheme approved at the last meeting of erecting a building which should meet the needs and aspirations of the Society was not found at present to be feasible the cost which such a building would entail being beyond the limit of the means which a somewhat vigorous canvass for donations has shown to be immediately obtainable. Your Executive do not, however, abandon the hope of seeing, at no distant day, such a structure arise in the city as shall do credit to the Capital of Canada and to an institution whose work, all invaluable in those times of general advance in refinement and education, will demand accommodation of greater extent than that now afforded.

It is satisfactory to your Executive to be in a position to state that though failing to carry out the larger scheme, they have succeeded in obtaining for the School, by purchase, a building which, altered to suit its requirements, has proved of great advantage and convenience, and has largely added to the means of usefulness at the disposal of your Society.

The building now occupied has been purchased at a cost of \$2,500. The alterations and other contingent expenses amount to \$662.43, bringing the total cost up to \$3,162.43.

Of this amount there has been subscribed and promised a total sum of \$2,860, of which there has been paid in to the treasurer the sum of \$2,489, leaving the sum of \$673.43 still to be collected to make up the total cost. Of this amount, however, \$371 is already promised.

The improvements made are of a character such as to add to the value of the property, a fact which may be found of advantage, should a change of premises be hereafter effected.

Your Executive have to report that, as the result of persistent efforts, the Provincial Government of Ontario have consented to subsidize the School to the extent of \$200 for the ensuing year. This subsidy, though not equal to the expectations formed from a knowledge of the extent of the aid afforded to the two other Art Schools of the Province, at London and Toronto, will prove of substantial service, and, at any rate, gives assurance that the interest of the Provincial Government has been awakened in the life and progress of the Ottawa Art School, and excites the hope that the generous and far-seeing attitude of the sister Province of Quebec, whose Government has established no less than twelve art schools, will not be without imitation in Ontario.

It is a matter of regret with your Executive that, so far, it has not been found possible to induce the municipality of this city to recognize in any substantial form the existence of so important a means of civilization, moral improvement, and practical benefit as that dormant in our School, and to be developed if properly encouraged. It is possible that the example set by municipalities in England, in France, in the United States and other countries, may during the ensuing year be so impressed upon our civic rulers that they will recognize the value of such an institution as ours, and be led to perceive that some outlay of public funds in this direction is as wise and expedient as it is, elsewhere, general.

The School opened in the new building on the 7th of November, 1883, and has continued open during six months, closing on the 7th of May, 1884.

The services of Mr. Charles E. Moss, trained in the best studios of Paris were secured, and those of Mrs. Cowper Cox have been continued. Mr. Geo. Stalker was engaged for the class of freehand and industrial

drawing, the work of which, suspended for two years, has been resumed, the fees being fixed at a merely nominal sum.

The number of individual pupils attending the ordinary classes this year is slightly less than last year, the number being 61 as against 71. Against this falling off must be set the attendance at the classes of free-hand drawing and design, 53 individuals having shared in the advantages of tuition in this direction, bringing the total number of pupils up to 114.

The exhibition of pupils' work just closed has afforded satisfactory evidence of progress, and for those who have visited the rooms during the week past, amongst whom should be mentioned the Hon. the Minister of Education for the Province of Ontario, it has been the means of creating interest and confidence in the undertaking which will doubtless prove not without value in the ensuing year.

The following is the list of the prize-winners :—

Drawing from Life (nude model).—Prize, Mr. Checkley, given by H. E. the Marquis of Lansdowne.

Drawing from Life (draped model).—*Hors Concours*, Mr. Checkley. —Prize, Mr. Watts, given by Mr. Allan Gilmour, President. Hon. mention.—Mr. Taylor and Miss Ballantyne.

Oil Painting.—Prize, Miss Johnson. Hon. mention.—Miss MacQueen and Miss MacNutt.

Water Colour Painting.—1st prize, given by His Excellency the Marquis of Lansdowne, Miss Ballantyne; 2nd, Miss MacQueen. Hon. mention — Miss Durie and Miss Odell.

Drawing from the Cast.—1st prize, Miss Checkley, given by Mr. H. V. Noel; 2nd, Mr. Kavanagh. Hon. mention, Miss Parris and Miss Isabel Grant.

Freehand Drawing.—1st prize, Mr. M. C. Edey; 2nd, Miss Addie Brown.

General Proficiency.—Prize, Miss Hunton.

During the session, courses of lectures have been delivered upon the subjects of Anatomy and Botany by Dr. A. Horsey and Mr. James Fletcher, and your Executive feel that the thanks of the Association are due to those gentlemen for their valuable and disinterested efforts on behalf of the School.

The statement submitted by the treasurer, duly audited and found correct, shows the receipts and expenditure of the Association for the year to be as follows :—

ABSTRACT STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

[*Construction Account.*]

To amount of donations, etc., received up to date ..	\$2,589 97
By expenditure up to date	\$627 43
By transfer to maintenance theatrical fund 100 00	
	727 43
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Total	1,862 54
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[*Maintenance Account.*]

To amount of cash in hand at date of last audit ..	47 19
To proportion of theatrical fund as agreed	16 00
To amount of subscriptions up to date	470 00
To amount of fees from pupils up to date	519 50
To amount transferred from construction account, theatrical fund	100 00
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Total	1,152 39
By expenditure up to date	1,327 08
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Over expended	174 39
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Net balance in hands of Treasurer	1,688 15

C. HERBERT O'MEARA, } *Auditors.*
DOUGLAS STEWART, }

J. W. HARPER, *Treasurer.*

May 21st, 1884.

The expenditure for maintenance expressed more in detail falls under the following heads :—

Salaries of the teaching staff	906 25
Heat	122 50
Lighting	49 50
Models for life class	43 00
Caretaker in former rooms	15 00
Printing last year's Annual Report	29 00
Stationery, printing and advertising	74 28
Rates taxes and insurance	10 50
Prizes last year	27 75
Various items	49 30

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With reference to the question of the deficiency noted above, it should be observed that while both the extent and cost of our teaching staff have necessarily been increased, being \$906.25 this year compared with \$690 last year, the fees received amount to \$519.50 as against \$637.22 last year. About \$50 still remains to be collected from the pupils of the year, and from past experience there is no doubt but that any deficit now existing can be made good by means of an entertainment in aid of the School funds.

Your Executive in this connection would observe that, for the purpose of making the school a centre of attraction to as large a number as possible, the fees for all the classes have been, heretofore, considerably lower than those adopted in institutions offering no higher advantages than are afforded by our own, and that a slight increase in this direction would be justifiable, and would, probably, with the support promised by the Provincial Government and the subscriptions of our own members, be sufficient to furnish the small amount required to carry on the society's work.

Your Executive, in conclusion, desire to express their appreciation of the hearty co-operation afforded by the members of the teaching staff, to whom is due, in pre-eminent degree, the success which has attended the work of the School during the past session. They would also cordially thank the editors of the morning and evening papers of the city for the warm interest shown throughout the year in the aims of the Society, and for the kindly assistance given in the liberal use of their columns.

Upon motion the foregoing report was unanimously adopted.

Motions conveying the thanks of the Association to its several officers and Council of the year past were proposed and carried.

The Election of Officers and Council for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, the following being elected : President, Mr. Allan Gilmour ; 1st Vice-President, Lieut-Col. B. Chamberlin ; 2nd Vice-President, Dr. Hamnett Hill ; Treasurer, Mr. J.-H. Harper ; Secretary, Mr. F. A. Dixon ; Council—Messrs. J. Armstrong, F. Checkley, A. Frechette, T. Fuller, Dr. Grant, Hon. Justice Gwynne, H. O'Meara, J. W. H. Watts, J. Whiteaves, F. A. Wise.

