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Investigating Governors.

H. P. DWIGHT, TORONTO,
A. S. IRVING, TORONTO,
JOSEPH J. GREENE, HAMILTON,
RICHARD FULLER, HAMILTON.
CHARLES BLACK, NIAGARA FALLS, SECRETARY.

Auditors.

ALFRED POWIS AND JOSEPH J. GREENE, HAMILTON.

May 21st, 1896.



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REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

Royal Canadian Humane Association

For the period from its organization to the 1st May, 1896.

At a meeting of the Toronto Humane Society held in 1891 the question of the formation of a Humane Association for the Dominion of Canada was first brought up and the following resolution was adopted:

"That Mr. J. J. Kelso (Honorary Secretary) be authorized "to correspond with the various societies and humane workers "in Canada, with a view to organize a Canadian Humane "Association."

Nothing further was done in the matter until 1892, when the Toronto Humane Society called a meeting of the representatives of the various Humane Societies in the Dominion, which meeting was held on the 21st June in that year, and the following resolution was passed:

"Resolved, That this meeting consider it desirable that a "Canadian Humane Association should be organized for the "purpose of encouraging the formation of Humane Associations in the various cities or towns of Canada for the securing of improved legislation, and in order to deal more effectively with the larger questions effecting the protection of "dumb animals from abuse, and encouraging the humane sentiment among all classes of the people, and to reward acts of bravery."

A committee was then appointed to consider and report a suitable scheme of organization.

This committee met and framed a "Constitution and Bylaws of the Canadian Humane Association," but no further meeting was held to adopt the same or to complete the formation of the Association, and the scheme fell to the ground.

On January 15th, 1894, the Toronto Humane Society issued a circular reciting what had been done in 1892 in the way of organizing of an Association, and urging the carrying out of the object; and as a result of that circular a meeting of the

representatives of the different Humane Societies throughout Canada and a few delegates from the United States Association, met in Toronto on the 16th May of that year, and after discussing the whole question again, a general association for the Dominion of Canada under the name of "The Canadian Humane Association" was then formed and steps ordered to be taken to obtain the sanction of Her Majesty to add the title of "Royal" to the name.

The first officers of the Association were then elected and were as follows:

His Excellency the Earl of Aberdeen, Governor-General of Canada, Patron.

Adam Brown, Esq., of Hamilton, President.

Dr. J. Geo. Hodgins, of Toronto, Secretary.

Major Henry MacLaren, Esq., of Hamilton, Treasurer.

Also an Executive Committee as follows:

The officers of the Associations, Mrs. S. G. Wood, Humane Society, Toronto.

Mr. Henry de G. Robinson, Humane Society, Niagara Falls,

Mr. John Robertson, Humane Society, Galt,

Mrs. Lake, Humane Society, Ottawa,

Mrs. M. McIntosh, Society S. P. C. A., Nova Scotia,

Mr. James Goldie, Humane Society, Guelph,

Mrs May R. Thomley, Humane Society, London,

and the first or senior Vice-Presidents of all affiliated societies.

On the 29th August, 1894, the first meeting after formation was held and certain resolutions or by-laws were adopted, as also a scheme setting forth more fully and in definite shape the object and purposes of the Association.

The title of "Royal" had been in the meantime, by permission of Her Most Gracious Majesty, added to the Association's name.

The Association now began its labors and circulars in the shape of prospectuses, etc., were issued setting forth its objects and appealing for funds. The result being that a number of humane persons became governors, some for life and some per annum, and a number of the local Humane Associations and Societies for Prevention of C. to A. have affiliated, and in addition to their subscriptions, grants have been received from both the Dominion and Ontario Governments,

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St. On bru and it is now suggested that appeals be made to all the other Provincial Legislatures in the Dominion.

We confidently hope and expect that all the remaining local associations will, without further delay, affiliate with us, and those citizens who recognize the worth of this Association will speedily assist us in carrying out its purposes by sending their subscriptions and becoming governors

A board of Investigating Governors, consisting of Messrs. H. P. Dwight, A. S. Irving, of Toronto; Mr. Charles Black, of Niagara Falls, and Messrs. Richard Fuller and Jos. J Greene, of Hamilton, were then appointed by the President in accordance with a resolution passed on the 23rd April, 1895, and these have met from time to time and examined into numerous cases of acts of bravery which were brought before them and the following have been their awards:

Rev. John Ramsay, L. L. D., of Ballymony, Ireland, for heroic conduct in rescuing, at great peril to his own life, a Mrs. Grimason, of Toronto, who fell from the floor of the Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge on 24th September, 1892. As this case was deemed a most heroic one an award was made to him of the Sanford Gold Medal.

The following were awarded bronze medals:

William S. Duffield, for saving from drowning Ellen Buckingham in Lake Ontario, off Burlington Beach, on the 5th September, 1894.

Mortimer Linwood Day, for saving from drowning Walter Bagnell and Alexander Gorham in the harbor of Saint John, New Brunswick, on the 24th of January, 1895.

John Wilfred Frisby, for saving from drowning John Pingle at Unionville, County of York, Ontario, in November, 1894.

Dr. H. F. MacKendrick, who saved a boy from drowning at the feeder to the mill-race, Grand River, at Galt, 6th May, 1895.

Robert West, who rescued four boys from drowning in the River Nith, Paris, Ontario, on the 2nd May, 1895. Note — Mr. West had previously saved seventeen other lives from drowning.

Ruby Hunter, for having, aided by Thomas J. Holden, of St. Catharines, in August 1894, saved from drowning in Lake Ontario, off Grimsby Park, and until Dr. Frederick A. Rosebrugh's boat reached her, Maud Rae, of Ottawa, who was her companion.

Thomas J. Holden, of St. Catharines, for having in August, 1894, rescued Ruby Hunter, of Toronto, and Maud Rae, of Ottawa, in Lake Ontario, off Grimsby Park, who had gone down—the one three and the other five times.

Harry Williams, for aiding in the rescue of Mrs. Grimason, on Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge, 24th September, 1892.

Forest Conover, Frank Ives, John Robinson, Burton Miller, Collin Culler, Mance Williams, George Johnson, Herm Robson and Ralph Robson—nine in all—for rescuing five men who had drifted out on an ice-floe in Lake Erie on 25th January, 1895.

Herbert John Lush and Wm. Dambra, of London, for saving Charles Paul from drowning in the River Thames, 10th May, 1895.

Ephraim Godfrey, a boy of 14 years, of Peterboro, for saving two boys, Herbert Hatton and Bruce Graham, from drowning at Young's Point, in July, 1895.

James McKenzie, of Calgary, for saving a man named Adolphus C. Kettleson from drowning in Bow River, 24th April, 1895.

Frank Ward, of Toronto, for saving a child named Fred Smallwood from drowning at Ward's Island, 5th August, 1805.

Albert Brown, of Toronto, for saving a lad, Wm. Currie on 1st June, 1895, from drowning, also on the same day two men named Byers and Sparks.

Miss Maud Anderson, of Guelph, for saving an aged woman from burning to death in a burning building at Guelph, 30th June, 1895.

Benjamin Dixon of Port Dover, for saving a child, Edward Martin, from drowning in Lake Erie, 24th June, 1895; also for saving from asphixiation in a coal oil tank, at great risk of his life, James Brennan, 5th July, 1895.

Norman Henderson, of Coburg, for saving from drowning in Lake Ontario, a small boy, Wm. Slamin, 1st July, 1895.

Maitland Ackroyd, of Toronto, for saving many lives during 1894 and 1895.

Constable L. C. Trustram, N. W. Mounted Police, for saving from drowning in Milk River, Wm. McEwan, 30th March, 1895.

Master Paul Hayward, a little boy of 8 years, of Brockville, for saving from drowning a lad of 16 years, J. H. Curran, 28th August, 1895.

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William G. Motley and Alex Carlson, of Rat Portage, for saving from a burning mine nine men, March, 1895.

Leonard McCleary, of Thorold, for saving the life of Frederick E. Forsyth from drowning in the Welland Canal, 11th December, 1984.

James L. Tinsberry, constable of Little York, for bravery displayed in the capture of three desperadoes, in which he risked his life and was wounded severely, on 3rd May, 1896.

James Commeford for gallant conduct in saving the life of a young girl, Ethel Boothroyd, from drowning, August, 1895.

M. J. Gilligan, of London, for prompt action and gallant conduct in rescuing from drowning in the River Thames, London, Ont., on the 22nd January, 1896, two children, Willie Cowan and Jean Lockhart.

The Sanford Gold Medal for 1896 was awarded to James Tinsley, of Brockville, Ontario, for interposing, at great risk of his life, between the murderer La Pointe and the citizens of that town in the slaughter of the 9th March, 1896, thereby no doubt saving many more lives, but receiving from the murderer a charge of shot which very nearly cost Tinsley his life.

The Silver Medals given by Lady Grant, of Ottawa, and Mrs. John Billings, of Hamilton, were awarded to William Lang and Robert McLean, of Victoria, B. C., for saving the lives of three men from drowning on 10th Nov. 1895.

Certificates on Parchment were awarded to the following:

William Harry Frisby, for assisting in saving from drowning John Pringle, at Unionville, County of York, Ontario, in November, 1894.

Charles Ernest Frisby, for assisting in saving from drowning John Pringle, at Unionville, County of York, Ontario, in November, 1894.

Lee Callaghan, for saving from drowning Joseph Graham, in the River Credit at Meadowvale, County of Peel, Ontario, on the 17th January, 1894.

Note.—Clara Sibbald, Mary E. Lee and Mabel May Lamb, who aided in this case, are commended.

Nehemiah Corey, for saving from drowning Robert H. and James C. Lutz in Lake Ontario, off Stony Creek, on the 22nd of October, 1894.

Lucien Filion, who rescued from drowning through the ice, off Allumette Island, Pontiac, Quebec, Michael Dempsey, his wife and child on the 28th March, 1895.

James Taylor, who assisted Mortimer L. Day in rescuing from drowning Walter Bagnell and Alexander Gorham in the harbor of St. John, New Brunswick on the 24th of January, 1895.

Josephine de Lorme, who rescued from drowning Leo T. English and Edward Sevier in Hamilton Bay on the 21st of April, 1895.

Philomena de Lorme, who assisted her sister in rescuing from drowning Leo T. English and Edward Sevier in Hamilton Bay on the 21st of April, 1895.

Dr. Frederick A. Rosebrugh, for having in August, 1894, aided in the rescue in Lake Ontario off Grimsby Park, and afterwards resuscitated Ruby Hunter and Maud Rae, of Ottawa, who had sunk twice in the water together while Ruby Hunter was endeavoring to save Maud Rae, who had sunk five times in the water.

Haviland Philip Wanzer, of Hamilton, for saving the lives of several lads from drowning in Hamilton Bay, August, 1890.

Henry Hamilton Lyle, of Hamilton, and John Alex. Roaf, of Toronto, for assisting in the above rescue.

Herbert Love, a young lad of Mitchell, for attempting the rescue of another lad, Louis Harris, from drowning.

Captain La France of Steamship City of Midland, for his prompt action in saving Daniel Caderette from drowning in Georgian Bay 22nd June, 1895.

George Barr and Frank Baker, of Aultsville, for prompt action in saving four men from drowning in the River St. Lawrence 18th July, 1895.

F. W. Kirk, of Hamilton, and George Inksetter, of Paris, for saving Mr. Badgerow, of Toronto, from drowning in Lake Rosseau 30th July, 1895.

Rev. John Mockridge and his young brother William Mockridge, for saving from drowning Wm. Alfred Grier at Lake Rosseau in August, 1895.

William Busby and Francis Demers, of Pont Viau, for saving the lives of Nairn Smith and Knowles Nevin from drowning in the Sault on Recollet Rapids 24th May, 1895.

Hon. D. Eberts, Attorney General of British Columbia, for gallant conduct in saving a man from drowning September 3rd, 1895.

Maitland Ackroyd, of Toronto, in addition to his medal for saving lives prior to 1893.

Oliver Gadbois and George Perrault, of Montreal, for

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In Assoc prompt action in saving the lives of two boys, Walter W. Scott and Charles D. Scott, from drowning in Back River, Province of Quebec, 5th October, 1895.

Thos. McInerny and Thomas Cosgrove, of Toronto, for prompt action in saving the life of Charles Campiou from drowning in Toronto Bay on 30th November, 1895.

John Wilford, of Galt, for prompt action in saving the life of a child named Henry Wisman from drowning in Mill Creek, Galt, 15th July, 1895.

Leonard Parker, Frank McKenzie and Frederick Adams, of London, Ontario, for prompt action in saving the life of a boy, Isaac Simmons, from drowning in the River Thames on 3rd January, 1896.

J. H. Fearnside and Geo. H. Kennard, for their prompt action in going to the rescue of and thereby saving Harry Tansley from drowning in Hamilton Bay August 17th, 1895.

John Ross, of London, Ontario, for his prompt action in going to the rescue and assisting M. J. Gilligan in saving two children, Willie Cowan and Jean Lockhart from drowning in the River Thames 22nd January, 1896.

Police Constable Wallace, of Toronto, for prompt action and presence of mind in saving the lives of two children from being crushed by an electric car on the 7th of September, 1895.

The Captain, first officer and crew of four men of the steamer Normannia, for saving the crew of the Saint Pierre, a Canadian steamer, in mid ocean, on the 27th of February, 1896.

Special resolutions engrossed on parchment were awarded the following:

F. W. Fearman, of Hamilton, for saving five lives at different times.

Captain Campbell, of Hamilton, for saving the lives of thirteen persons at different times.

Thos Tinning, of Toronto, for rescuing from drowning dur ing his life forty four persons.

Captain W. D. Andrews, of Toronto, for saving a large number of lives from drowning at different times.

Abigael Becker (now Mrs. Henry Rherer, of Walsingham), formerly of Long Point, for saving the crew of a wrecked vessel in Lake Erie many years ago.

In addition to the rewarding of these acts of bravery the Association has published large illustrated posters showing how to rescue drowning persons and how to resuscitate those apparently drowned. It has distributed numbers of these and is still prepared to do so. It has imported books from the St John Ambulance Association of England, entitled "First Aid to the Injured," also "Five Lectures" delivered by a celebrated German physician, Dr. Frederick Esmarch, all of which it is prepared to furnish humane persons or local associations at the cost.

This, then, is a summary of the work done by this Association to the present, and it will continue in the good cause, looking out for and after every act of bravery exerted in the saving of human life and will unfailingly reward the same.

The Executive Committee acknowledges with many thanks the annual gift of a beautiful gold medal by the Hon. Senator Sanford, of Hamilton, also a silver medal from Lady Grant, of Ottawa, and one also from Mrs. John Billings, of Hamilton, which we are informed are to be annual grants to this Association to be presented for special acts of bravery.

Your Executive Committee have to report with much regret the resignation of Dr Hodgins, the first secretary, and to whose knowledge of this work and zeal in the cause this Association is largely indebted for its conception and organization, and at a meeting held on 5th July, 1895, Mr. J. W. Murton, Sheriff of Wentworth, was elected to fill his place until the annual meeting. This meeting ought to have been held on the second Wednesday of December last, but through a misunderstanding was allowed to pass by and this present meeting has been called to take its place.

It will be necessary now to elect the new officers for the ensuing year, an Executive Committee and a Board of Investigating Governors, also Auditors.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. MURTON,

ADAM BROWN,

Secretary.

President.

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Abstract of Receipts and Expenditure

OF THE

Royal Canadian Humane Association

From the 7th of June, 1894, to the 31st of December, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

Fourteen annual subscriptions from affiliated Societies \$ 68 d	00
Eleven annual subscriptions from yearly Governors . 55 c	00
Two subscriptions from Life Governors 100 c	00
One donation from Toronto H. Society (special) 25 of	00
Grant from Dominion Government 250 c	00
Grant from Ontario Government 250 c	
Sale of pamphlets and posters	
Interest on current account 5	
\$821	51
EXPENDITURE.	
Stationery, printing pamphlets, circulars and posters. \$268	83
Postage and newspapers 23	-
Advertising 13	•
Express, customs and telegrams 11	
Officers' expenses	26
St. John ambulance and other literature from Eng-	
land	00
Steel dies, medals and cases, engraving inscriptions	
on medals and engrossing certificates 282	59
Balance on hand 31st December, 1895 191	
\$821	51

HENRY MCLAREN,

May 15th, 1896.

Treasurer.

Examined, compared with the books and vouchers and found correct,

> ALFRED Powis, Auditor.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Royal Canadian Humane Association was held in the rooms of Art Gallery, Toronto, at eight o'clock on the evening of the 21st May, 1896. The meeting was a joint one between the R. C. H. and the Toronto Humane Society. Chancellor Wallace took the chair and after introductory remarks, vacated it, when the President, Adam Brown, took it. The President read letters of regret from Earl of Aberdeen, Sir Oliver Mowat, Sir Cassimir Gzowski, Bishop of Toronto, Senator Sanford and others. The absence of Sheriff Murton, the Secretary, was explained. The President, acting as Secretary, read the minutes of last meeting, which were confirmed. The Annual Report was then read by the President, and the Treasurer's Statement by Major McLaren, Treasurer. On motion of President, seconded by Major McLaren, both were adopted and ordered to be printed.

Moved by Rev. Thos. Geoghegan, seconded by H. P. Dwight,

That the following be elected for the balance of the year:

Adam Brown, President.

John W. Murton, Sheriff of Wentworth, Secretary.

Major Henry McLaren, Hamilton, Treasurer.

Executive Committee: Officers of the Association, Mrs. S. G. Wood, Toronto, Henry De G. Robinson, Niagara Falls, J. M. Robertson, Galt, Mr. James Goldie, Guelph, Very Rev. Dean Innes, London, Mrs. Lake, Ottawa, Hon. W. E. Sanford, and the first or senior vice-president of all affiliated societies.

Moved by Major MacLaren, seconded by Mrs. Savigny,

That the following be elected Investigating Governors for the balance of the year: H. P. Dwight, Toronto; A. S. Irving, Toronto; Joseph J. Greene, Hamilton; Richard Fuller, Hamilton; Charles Black, Niagara Falls. The last named Governor to be Secretary for the Investigating Governors.

Moved by H. P. Dwight, seconded by A. S. Irving,

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act here That Alfred Powis and Joseph J. Greene be elected Auditors for the ensuing year.

The following was ordered to be minuted: That inasmuch as there appears to be no record of the adoption of the constitution, the following be appointed a committee to revise the same and report at next annual meeting: President, Secretary, Treasurer, R. Fuller and Joseph J. Greene,

It was ordered that the meetings of the Investigating Governors be held quarterly, the President to name the place, on the first Tuesday in May, August, November and February, and that their expenses to be paid, this to be retroactive. It was ordered that the next annual meeting be held in Hamilton.

Parchments were presented to Thos. McInerney and Thomas Cosgrove, of Toronto; John Wilfred, of Galt; J. H. Fearnside, of Hamilton, and Police Constable Wallace, of Toronto.

The cases were stated by the President and the presentations made by Provost Welch, Trinity University, Rev. Father Ryan, Major McLaren, Rev. Thos. Geoghagan and J. J. Kelso.

The Association's bronze medal was presented to Leonard McCleary, of Thorold; Jas. L. Tinsberry, of Little York, and Jas. Cummeford, of Toronto. The President stating the cases of bravery in detail, and the presentations were made by Miss Dupont, Mr. H. P. Dwight and Mr A S. Irving.

The Sanford Gold Medal was presented to James Tinsley, of Brockville, having been awarded to him for the most heroic act during the year. The President gave a full account of his heroic action and pinned the medal on his breast.

This closed the meeting.