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Gentlemen's Committee.

Hon P. C. HILL, *Chairman.*  
J. S. MACLEAN, *Vice-Chairman.*  
S. M. BROOKFIELD,  
REV. GEO. W. HILL,  
T. A. BROWN,  
W. H. NEAL,  
REV. THOS. DUNCAN,

Hon. W. J. STAIRS,  
E. D. MEYNELL,  
T. A. RITCHIE,  
J. M. DEWOLFE,  
REV. W. H. HEARTZ,  
MAJOR MAINGUY, R. E.

Ladies' Committee.

MISS PURVIS,  
MRS. R. TREMAIN.

Assisted by other Ladies.

Treasurer.

W. S. STIRLING.

Secretary.

E. D. MEYNELL.

Surgeon.

DR. SLAYTER.

Dentist.

C. E. PUTTNER.

Superintendent.

MR. ABNER HART.

# REPORT

## OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE HALIFAX PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, FOR 1878.

IN the department of philanthropic effort in which the Committee of the Protestant Industrial School are charged with important responsibilities, the review of another year's operations affords pleasing evidences that their work has not been in vain in the Lord. In the firm conviction that the Institution they represent, meets a want growing out of the conditions of a class of our population, it has been the aim of all connected with the School to use those means and appliances which with the blessing of God are calculated to foster habits of thrift and honesty, and under the ennobling influences of christianity, mould for usefulness in the world, those who would otherwise exert an influence prejudicial to themselves and society generally.

### GOVERNMENT.

The Institution is controlled by a committee of gentlemen representing different protestant denominations, and all its affairs are submitted to and carefully considered at the weekly meetings held for that purpose.

The Superintendent—Mr. Abner Hart—acting under the direction of the Committee, has been indefatigable in his efforts, and by an admirable blending of the "suaviter in modo with fortiter in re" has secured not only the confidence and respect of the boys, but also to a marked degree their affectionate esteem. The contract with Mr. Bliss by which the labor of some of the boys is utilized, serves to secure not only a fair remuneration, but also tends to keep their minds engaged, their time employed, and leads them to an appreciation of the practical and material in life. It serves also to secure for them a good trade—shoemaking—thus enabling them to gain a respectable living when they leave us. In the

Kindling Wood and Carpet Cleaning departments, those who are not otherwise engaged, are employed from time to time. The employment which all in the Institution have, helps in the internal government inasmuch as it furnishes guards which are not thrown around the lawless and lazy. Four evenings in the week are devoted to mental improvement of the boys under the direction of Mr. Halls, and on Sabbaths all attend church morning and evening and Sabbath School at home in the afternoon.

#### ATTENDANCE AT THE SCHOOL.

At the close of the year 1877, there were 29 boys in attendance at the School. During the past year 15 boys were admitted and 14 left—the attendance at the close of 1878 was 30 boys, an increase of one on the previous year. Of the 14 boys who left the institution during the year past, the term of service of six had expired, five went to places provided for them with the consent of the committee, two ran away, leaving the city and we believe the country, and one was released by order of the Stipendiary, after being in the institution seven days, a promise having been given that he would leave the city.

#### CHRISTMAS AT THE SCHOOL.

In an appropriate notice, one of the Halifax papers thus refers to the School:—

**THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.**—Among the Christmas festivities the enjoyable time spent at the Halifax Industrial School is worthy of special mention. At the usual Christmas dinner for the boys, the following managers of the Institution were present:—The Hon. P. C. Hill, J. S. Maclean, W. H. Neal, S. M. Brookfield, E. D. Meynell, Thos. A. Brown, J. M. DeWolf, Rev. W. H. Hartz; also Dr. Dashwood, Major Mainguy, R. E., &c. The scene at dinner time was very pleasing. The dinner room was beautifully decorated—the work of the boys themselves. The good things of the season were provided in abundance, and certainly the lads evidenced their appreciation by doing full justice to roast goose and plum pudding. After dinner short and appropriate addresses were delivered by the Hon. P. C. Hill, the Rev. W. H. Hartz and Dr. Dashwood. The last named gentleman presented two prizes—to the best and second best boy in the Institution. The selection for the prizes having been left to the boys themselves—the Superintendent concurring in the choice—the fortunate

ones received the gifts amid the applause of their companions. All the boys looked healthy, and we understand that the Institution is in a flourishing condition under the able management of Mr. Abner Hart.

#### ENCOURAGING FEATURES.

The Superintendent is very thankful for kindly enquiries after the boys, made from time to time, and for good wishes expressed by many friends of the Institution. A letter from W. G. Pender, Esq., who is prominently identified with the St. Andrew's Church, of this city, whose Sabbath School supports a boy at the School, expresses complete satisfaction with the improvement and condition of the lad whose well being has been greatly promoted. Another gentleman who has one of the boys reposes the greatest confidence in him, and has the utmost satisfaction in entrusting him with important business concerns. Just now at the Institution a gracious spiritual influence is being realized, and hopeful indications of the presence and operation of the Lord the Spirit, encourage the committee in the work in which they are engaged.

#### FINANCIAL.

The financial depression which prevails is unhappily felt to a large extent in the ordinary contributions, whilst the death and removal of several of the supporters of this Institution have rendered the greatest care necessary in the disbursement of funds. Extra expenditure has been required to keep in repair the building and the munificence of "the now departed ones" has served us well in this emergency. As will be seen by the financial statement, legacies from the late N. L. West, \$800, W. L. Black, \$250, and C. Roche, \$190, have been expended in painting our buildings, putting them in excellent repair, and freeing ourselves from the debts of former years. The debt incurred on the operations of 1878, as per statement of the Treasurer's account, is \$88.25.

#### CONCLUSION.

The committee very urgently invite all interested in the reclamation of the youth from the ways of sin to visit the School at any time convenient for them. On Sabbath after-

noon, on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, particularly when religious exercises are conducted by the Superintendent, counsel or prayer from christian workers will be most acceptable.

They also respectfully ask the patronage of the Halifax people that the sales in the Kindling Wood department may be largely increased.

The demise of Edward Binney, Esq., is felt a serious loss to this christian charity. He generously supported a boy at the school, and in other ways evidenced his practical sympathy with the School. Who among the wealthy men of Halifax will emulate his noble example? A few guarantees of \$40 or \$60 towards the support of special boys, would widen our sphere of usefulness and increase our opportunities of doing good. Money cannot be spent better than in this direction.

The committee desire to recognize with thanks the gratuitous services of Dr. Slayter, Mr. Puttner, and Mr. H. A. Taylor, and also to make mention of the fact that the Hon. T. D. Archibald has given again this year in coal a very generous contribution to the School. His kindness in this respect is eminently praiseworthy, and calls for special acknowledgements.

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THE following persons and Corporations guarantee the payment of \$60 or \$40 each per annum, for the Board of a Boy.

Hon. P. C. Hill .....	1
St. Mathew's Sabbath School .....	1
St. Paul's Sabbath School .....	1
Jub'lee Sewing Circle .....	1
Mrs. Edward Binney .....	1
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia .....	1
St. Andrew's Sabbath School .....	1
G. H. Starr, Esq. ....	1
Late A. K. Doull's Legacy .....	3
City of Halifax .....	18
Miss Lawson .....	1
Rev. W. H. Hertz .....	1
T. A. Ritchie, Esq .....	1
A. Sinfield .....	1
Without guarantee .....	1
Captain Thos. McDonald .....	1

*Guarantees Paid.*

Hon. P. C. Hill.....	40 00
St. Andrew's Sabbath School .....	40 00
Mrs. Edward Binney .....	40 00
St. Mathew's Church S. S. ....	60 00
Miss Lawson, Jubilee Boy .....	40 00
Bishop Binney .....	40 00
Jubilee Sewing Circle .....	120 00
G. H. Starr .....	40 00
St. Paul's S. School .....	40 00
Hartz, Rev. W. H. ....	48 00
Hart, L. ....	40 00
Bitchie T. A. ....	5 00
McDonald Capt. ....	40 00
A. Sinfield .....	10 00
	40.00

*Donations towards Christmas Dinner, &c.*

Hon. T. D. Archibald—10 Chaldrans of Coals.
Lawson, Harrington & Co.—2 Chaldrans of Coals.
H. Harris—Flower Plants.
J. M. Brookfield—Manure.
H. Cook—“
Mrs. Phalan—“
Dr. Dashwood—Illustrated papers—2 Books gifts to best and second best Boys in the School.—25 lbs. of Beef.
Young Ladies of Dr. Dashwoods School—4 doz. Oranges.
A. Hesslein—\$1.00—Cash for Boys, 1 Brl. Apples, 3 Geese.
Moir Son & Co.,—1 box of Biscuits.
Mrs. Meynell—1 Cake.
Rd. Currie—Meat for New Years dinner.
Bowes & Sons—150 Reports for 1878.

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## SUBSCRIBERS.

40 00	Governor-General the Mar-	Gray, B. G . . . . .	8.00
40 00	quis of Lorne . . . . . \$25.00	Hart, L. . . . .	3.00
40 00	The Lieut. Governor . . . . . 20.00	Harrington, W. D. . . . .	4.00
60 00	Almon, M. B. . . . .	Harrington, W. M. . . . .	5.00
40 00	Avery, Dr . . . . .	Haliburton, J. C. . . . .	20.00
40 00	Anderson, Billing & Co . . 10.00	Hesslein, Henry & Sons . . . 5.00	
120 00	Allison, F . . . . .	M. H. Richey . . . . .	5.00
40 00	Brown, Thos. A. . . . .	Hill, Hon. P. C. . . . .	25.00
43 00	Burns, Adam. . . . .	Hicks, Capt. J. . . . .	10.00
40 00	Black, S. H. . . . .	Harris, R. C. . . . .	40.00
5 00	Black, W. L. . . . .	Jack, Peter. . . . .	5.00
40 00	Black, M. P. . . . .	Jones, A. G. . . . .	10.00
10 00	Black Bros & Co . . . . .	Johnstone, J. H. . . . .	5.00
40.00	Black, W. A. . . . .	Kaizer, C. & Sons. . . . .	2.00
	Bland, Mrs. . . . .	King, Mrs. H . . . . .	4.00
	Bland, J. B. . . . .	Kandick, W. . . . .	2.00
	Binney, Mrs. S. N. . . . .	Kuhn, P. J. . . . .	2.00
	Brown, M. S & Co. . . . .	Lawson, Harrington & Co. . 6.00	
	Brookfield, S. M. . . . .	Lowell, W. L. . . . .	4.00
	Brown, M. S. . . . .	Mainguy, Major, R. E. . . . 25.00	
	Cogswell, H. C. . . . .	Moir, & Co. . . . .	10.00
	Cabot, R . . . . .	Macleam, J. S. . . . .	20.00
	Coleman, W. J., senr. . . . .	Morrow, J. B. . . . .	10.00
	Cash . . . . .	Macfarlane & Adams. . . . .	2.00
	Clarke, N. . . . .	McLeod, A. . . . .	10.00
	Clarke, H. Y. . . . .	Mott, J. P. . . . .	15.00
	Cogswell, Miss S. A. . . . .	Mathers, J. H. . . . .	5.00
	"    2nd donation. 25.00	Northup, Hon. J . . . . .	20.00
	Cornelius, J. . . . .	Parker, Hon. Dr. D. McN. . 20 00	
	Chipman Bros. . . . .	Payzant, J. Y. . . . .	2.00
	Cook, H. . . . .	Paint, H. N. . . . .	2.00
	Cogswell Miss E. (Engl'd). 40.00	Poole, H. S. . . . .	5.00
	Creighton, C. A . . . . .	Reeves, E. H. . . . .	1.00
	DeWolfe, J. M . . . . .	Rent, Geo. . . . .	2.55
	Donaldson, Mrs. . . . .	Reid, A. P. . . . .	5.00
	Fletcher, Chas. . . . .	Ritchie, T. A. . . . .	30.00
	Farquharson, J . . . . .	Ritchie, T . . . . .	3.00
	Fraser, G . . . . .	Robertson, W. . . . .	3.00
	Fraser, W. J. . . . .	Smith, J. G. . . . .	1.00
	Farquhar, Forrest & Co. . 10.00	Smith, James W. . . . .	5.00
	Friend . . . . .	Smith, Edward . . . . .	10.00
	Gibson, John. . . . .	Sweet, R. J. . . . .	1.00

Stirling, W. S. .... 5.00  
 Marshall & Smith ..... 2.00  
 Silver, J. & Co. .... 5.00  
 Scott, James ..... 5.00  
 Stairs, W. J. .... 30.00  
 Smith, B. A. .... 2.00  
 Silver, W. C. .... 10.00  
 Starr, Geo. H. .... 10.00  
 Thomson, George ..... 10.00

Thomson, Jas. .... 50.00  
 Thank offering ..... 20.00  
 Wyld, C. J. .... 1.00  
 Wallace, Mrs. C. W. .... 5.00  
 W. H. H. .... 5.00  
 Whitman, C. H. .... 2.00  
 White, S. A. .... 10.00  
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## Financial Statement of the Halifax Protestant Industrial School.

	DR.	CR.
1878.		
Dec. 1.	To unpaid account, 1877 .....	\$171.08
	“ Clothing account .....	602.90
	“ Diet account .....	1445.84
	“ Fuel and Oil .....	182.13
	“ Insurance .....	128.75
	“ Wages and salary .....	748.81
	“ Repairs account .....	160.37
	“ Farm expenses .....	302.12
	“ Sundries .....	129.17
	“ Freight on Slabs .....	226.69
	“ Tools .....	28.46
	“ Horse, sleigh and cow .....	133.00
	“ Water Kate .....	34.00
	“ Furniture .....	76.63
	“ Cash in hand .....	32.32
	“ Bal. in full of debts 1874 ..	485.95
	“ Extra repairs to buildings ..	619.52
		1104.87
1879.		
Jan. 1.	Balance .....	\$5507.09
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	By cash on hand, 1877 .....	\$44.72
	“ Mr. Bliss, hire for boys in shoe dept. .	696.08
	“ Sale of Kindling Wood .....	440.75
	“ Carpet department .....	125.79
	“ Sale of sundries .....	192.50
	“ Guarantees .....	598.13
	“ City guarantees .....	835.00
	“ Donations .....	1062.78
	“ Interest .....	37.68
	“ Board of men and boys .....	89.91
	“ Mr. Bliss, use of engine .....	26.50
	“ “ hire of horse .....	8.00
	“ “ rent of cottage .....	106.00
	“ Returned fire premium .....	5.00
	“ Unpaid accounts, included in totals .....	88.25
	“ Legacies—N. L. West .....	800.00
	“ “ W. L. Black .....	250.00
	“ “ C. Roche .....	100.00
		1150.00
		\$5507.09