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INCORPORATED IN THE YEAR 1867.

Managers for 1877.

JAMES F. AVERY, M. D., *President*,
JOHN S. MACLEAN, *Vice President*,
GEORGE THOMSON, *Treasurer*.
M. H. RICHEY, *Corresponding Secretary*,
CHAS. FLETCHER, *Recording Secretary*,
JOHN DUFFUS,
W. C. SILVER,
S. A. WHITE,
W. H. NEAL.
STEPHEN TOBIN,
EDWARD SMITH,
E. D. KING.

List of Committees.

Finance.—The President, the Treasurer, S. A. White, M. H. Richey and E. D. King.

Instruction.—W. C. Silver, Chairman ; M. H. Richey, S. Tobin, Edward Smith, E. D. King.

Manufactures.—Edward Smith, Chairman ; W. C. Silver, S. A. White, C. Fletcher.

House.—W. H. Neal, Chairman ; J. S. Maclean, George Thomson.

DR. DODGE, *Ophthalmic Surgeon*.

“ SINCLAIR, *Attending Physician*.

MR. C. F. FRASER, *Superintendent*.

MISS ROSS, *Teacher*.

Steward and Matron.

MR. and MRS. BLAIR.

EXHIBITION DAY : Wednesday, 3 P. M.

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Halifax Asylum for the Blind.

For the founding of this Institution a debt of gratitude is due by the people of this Province to the late William Murdoch, Esq., who died in London in 1867, having a few years previously taken up his residence there, after a long, useful and successful life as a merchant of this city. In his Will he bequeathed, in addition to various other charities, the munificent sum of £5,000 N. S. Cy., towards the endowment of an Asylum for the Blind, on condition that a suitable building would be secured at a cost of not less than £3,000. An amount was raised by subscription shortly after his decease, sufficient for this purpose, and an eligible sight having been procured gratuitously from the City on the South Common, arrangements were at once made, and a suitable brick building was erected, capable of accommodating about 40 pupils.

As a Report of the Directors, lately submitted to the Annual Meeting, is annexed, it is unnecessary to make further remarks than to express the hope that the blessing of God may attend this Institution, and that it may do all the good that the benevolent founder had in view in his kindly endeavors to increase the happiness and usefulness of this hitherto neglected class of our fellow beings in this Province.

Halifax, January, 1876.

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AN ACT
To Incorporate the Halifax Asylum for the Blind.

(Passed the 7th day of May, A. D. 1867.)

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| Preamble. | 4. By-Laws. |
| 1. Act to commence when \$12,000 subscribed. Incorporation. | 5. City may convey lands, &c., |
| 2. Board of Managers. | 6. Managers shall report to Governor in Council. |
| 3. Officers—how elected. | |

Whereas it has been proposed that an institution for the reception, maintenance and education of blind persons, should be established in the City of Halifax, and it is desirable that such institution should be founded and carried on by individual enterprise and voluntary association.

Be it enacted by the Governor, Council and Assembly, as follows:

1. When it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the Governor in Council, that not less than twelve persons have associated themselves for the above object, and have subscribed the sum of twelve thousand dollars, and paid thereon into the hands of the Treasurer, by them appointed, the sum of two thousand dollars, the Governor in Council shall, by proclamation, declare this Act to have come into operation, and thereupon immediately thereafter, such persons, and all such other persons as shall from time to time become associated with them, their successors and assigns, shall be and are hereby incorporated into a company and declared to be a body corporate by the name of the "Halifax Asylum for the Blind," and by that name shall and may have succession and be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded, defending and being defended in all courts and places whatsoever, in all manner of actions, suits, matters, complaints, and causes whatsoever, and may have and use a common seal, and may change and alter the same at their pleasure, and shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real and personal estate for the purposes of this incorporation and none other, which shall not exceed the annual value of ten thousand dollars.

2. For the better carrying into effect the objects of the said incorporation, there shall annually be elected twelve persons, who shall constitute a Board of Managers, and have power to conduct and manage all its concerns, the Managers to be elected by ballot at an annual meeting of the members of the society, to hold their office for one year, or until others be elected in their places; the said election

to be held at such times and places as the said corporation shall by their by-laws from time to time appoint and direct; the aforesaid managers shall be elected by a majority of the members present at such election; and in case of any vacancy or vacancies in the said Board of Managers, by death, resignation or otherwise, then the said Board shall have power to fill such vacancy or vacancies until the next annual election.

3. The Board of Managers shall, as soon after the annual election as shall be convenient, proceed to elect by ballot, from among their own number, a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, and two Secretaries, who shall serve for one year, or until others are elected in their room; and the first election of Managers and Officers shall take place on a day to be fixed by the Governor in Council in the proclamation aforesaid.

4. The Board of Managers, so elected as aforesaid, shall have full power to make such by-laws as from time to time may be necessary, relative to the management, disposition of the estate and concerns of the said corporation, and regulations of the persons exercising the offices aforesaid, not contrary to law, and may appoint such other agents and servants as may be deemed necessary to transact the business of the said corporation, and designate their duties.

5. It shall be lawful for the City of Halifax to transfer by deed, duly executed, to the "Halifax Asylum for the Blind," and either by way of gift, or for valuable consideration, any land or hereditaments now vested in the said City of Halifax, either by Act of this Province or by purchase, so that the value of such land and hereditaments shall not exceed in the whole the sum of twelve thousand dollars.

6. The Managers of the said Institution shall, on or before the first day of February in each year, make a full report to the Governor in Council of their proceeding.

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THE SIXTH REPORT
OF THE
Managers of the Halifax Asylum for the Blind,
1876.

IN submitting this the Sixth Annual Report of the HALIFAX ASYLUM FOR THE BLIND, the Managers have much pleasure in reporting it, as gradually taking that place in usefulness amongst the benevolent Institutions of the country, which no doubt its beneficent projector contemplated.

As the only Institution of the kind established in the Maritime Provinces, about the usual amount of preliminary obstacles had to be met and overcome. The Managers may fairly say in this their sixth year, that these obstacles *have been* overcome.

"The general diffusion of intelligence relative to the (to us) new and happy circumstances, now within the reach of our own blind youth of both sexes, and the actual going forth from our walls, of several intelligent, well educated pupils, happy, self-reliant, and earning their own livelihood, have largely conduced to this end. The increasing number of pupils on our books, and the evidence of progress from month to month, open to all who take interest enough in the work to call on Wednesday afternoons, are practical illustrations that we are at least making fair progress. For particulars we refer to the annexed report of our invaluable Superintendent, himself a living exemplification of the great utility of schools for the blind.

Although our Institution has been from the first designated an Asylum, it is really a School; and this for all classes of our people who choose to avail themselves of the advantages it offers. The Managers have, more than once, found themselves in a false position, from misconception abroad, arising from the interpretation given its character, based upon the word Asylum, hence a desire has arisen that application should be made to the Provincial Legislature, to change the name for one more expressive of its objects. And further, as the Building, Grounds and appliances now existing, are capable of

accommodating all the blind children in the Maritime Provinces, who would probably seek an education ; and after the large outlay already made, the expense of each pupil is only \$120 per annum, clearly demonstrating the pecuniary advantage of having but one such Institution for the Maritime Provinces."

From our Sister Province of New Brunswick three pupils are now in attendance. We hope soon to have many more, and we have no doubt the Legislature of that Province will make a liberal arrangement for their maintenance.

The health of the pupils, as evidenced by the Superintendent's report, speaks of the general internal arrangements more forcibly than any words the Board could use. The fine grounds attached are yearly assuming an appearance of order and beauty ; the work being done cautiously and economically as funds can be spared for the purpose.

The Managers warmly endorse the efforts now being made by the Superintendent to provide a Gymnasium for the pupils. It is needed even more here than for those who have the advantage of sight. The funds required must come from private sources. Nothing can be spared from the general finances in aid. Surely it will not have long to wait for the means.

Miss Ross still retains her position as teacher, and to her faithful, untiring hands, the Managers are much indebted.

The Steward and Matron have faithfully discharged their duties. Parents of young children may safely trust them to their care.

Dr. Dodge continues to give us the benefit of his great experience in treatment of the organ of sight, Doctor Sinclair as attending Physician, and Doctor Cogswell as Dentist.

George Thomson, Esq., now fills the office of Treasurer, succeeding our late deeply lamented friend and steadfast fellow labourer, George P. Mitchell, Esq., to whom the Institution is largely indebted, for wise and able counsel, as well as untiring zeal and self-denying industry in its behalf.

E. D. King, Esq., has been called to the Board as one of the Managers, in the place of the late Charles Murdoch, Esq.

The Treasurer's account, duly audited, shows our income from all sources to be \$2,656.96 and our expenditure \$2,918.85. It will be observed that a material falling off has taken place in the amount of the private subscriptions the past year. We have not made any special appeal to the public, but there are many useful additions to be made to our Institution had we the funds.

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We have now ten boys and six girls on our roll, with a fair prospect of further increase.

The Managers feel very grateful to the givers of kind donations, and also to the Provincial Government for the grant of \$1000 ; but we hope for a liberal increase to both, as the addition to our pupils has increased our expenditure above our income.

The nett proceeds of the Concert, at which Blind Tom so ably assisted, was \$150, which sum was expended in obtaining an organ for Miss Maggie Hunter, through the means of which she is now earning a livelihood.

The Managers regret the loss by death of another of their number, MR. CHAS. MURDOCH, brother of the noble founder of our Institution, who has been a member of the Board from its inception.

The Managers are much indebted to the several Musical Societies for free tickets to pupils. This is a great boon to them, as music is the first and principal source, whence they derive their livelihood, as well as the mainspring of their earthly happiness.

Thanks are due to Miss McKie, for kind services as music reader.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. MACLEAN,

Halifax, N. S., Dec'r 9th, 1876.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the President and Board of Managers of the HALIFAX INSTITUTION
FOR THE BLIND.

The School continues to increase in numbers, more pupils having entered during the year, than in any previous year since its establishment.

The importance of educating the Blind, while young, has been referred to at length in former reports, and I now have much pleasure in stating that, among those admitted during the year, are six children between the ages of 8 and 12. This marks a new era in the history of our Institution.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

The pupils have made satisfactory progress in all their studies, and are, for the most part, desirous of obtaining information. A valuable addition of "Raised Print" Text-books has been made to our Library.

MUSICAL DEPARTMENT.

In the study of Vocal and Instrumental Music the pupils take a special interest, as they are aware that a proficiency in them will enable them to support themselves as teachers of the Piano Forte, Cabinet Organ, &c. One of the young ladies who graduated at the close of last session, is now settled at the North End of Halifax, as teacher of the Cabinet Organ, and is meeting with a fair share of success.

TUNING DEPARTMENT.

Three young men graduated at the close of last term from this Department, as Piano Forte tuners, and are now settled in different parts of the Province. They are fully competent to tune pianos of all descriptions, and should their efforts to earn a livelihood meet with encouragement, they will become entirely self-supporting.

WORK DEPARTMENT.

Both our boys and girls are taught to seat chairs, besides which our boys are taught to make Coir and Rattan door-mats. This trade has been recently introduced into the school, adding another fairly remunerative occupation to those before mentioned.

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A Rattan mat made by one of the pupils, sent to the Exhibition in Truro, was awarded a Certificate of Merit. Besides cane-seating, the girls are taught to knit, sew, net, crochet, and do various kinds of bead-work.

HEALTH.

During the last year the health of the pupils has been excellent. The average number of days' absence from school on account of *slight illnesses* not having exceeded *two* for each individual; and this is the more remarkable when it is considered that for at least three months of the year, during our winter season, the pupils are prevented by the depth of the snow from taking active out-door exercise. The effect of this confinement is evident towards the spring, when studies which in the autumn were pursued with vigor, are then approached with comparative reluctance. As physical and mental training are equally important, it is proposed to build a gymnasium (as soon as the required funds are subscribed) in which the pupils may obtain exercise without regard to the weather.

CHANGE OF NAME.

The present name of the Institution is the "Halifax Asylum for the Blind." This is decidedly a misnomer, as the word asylum signifies a "refuge" or "home," and therefore cannot be applied to a School where the pupils are only admitted for a limited period. Again, the name asylum fails to set forth the educational character of the Institution.

The term was first applied to homes for the blind, established in England before any effort was made to awaken their self-reliance and fit them to "fight the battle of life." At a later period schools were introduced into these asylums, thus changing their character while the original name was still retained. In the United States an Institution of this kind is styled either "Institution for the Education of the Blind," or "School for the Blind." The former name is objectionable chiefly on account of its length, while the latter has the advantage of brevity, besides the recommendation of defining clearly the nature of the Institution.

For Reports and official documents the present "Halifax Asylum for the Blind" might be changed to "School for the Blind of the Maritime Provinces," thus showing whence the Institution derives its pupils and support.

GENERAL REMARKS.

During the vacation I had the privilege of attending a Convention of instructors of the blind, which met in Philadelphia in the month of August. Many valuable suggestions were made as to the best method of conducting special schools. Essays were read on the employment of the blind, showing that a very large percentage of those who have received instruction have become self-supporting. Attention was called to the fact that the Type-writer might be used to advantage in business or other correspondence. During a session of the Convention a new and complete knitting machine was exhibited, which was worked successfully by a blind girl. An interesting essay was read on the present social condition of the blind as compared with that of former periods, showing that since the establishment of special schools, not only the mental and moral, but also the social condition of the blind has been greatly elevated. In the Centennial Exhibition were to be found specimens of work from almost every civilized country, executed by blind persons, Egypt and Brazil not excepted. Thanks to our growing number of interested friends, and to the Press of this and the neighbouring Provinces, our school is daily becoming better known, and its objects better understood. I trust that the day is not far distant when the blind of the Maritime Provinces shall share with those who are blessed with sight, the advantages of a free and liberal education.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. F. FRASER.

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SCHOOL RECORD.

Number of school days in the term, 245. Possible number of marks to be obtained in either the Literary or Musical Departments, or for Department, 1000. Two prizes awarded in the Literary Department, two in the Musical, one in the Girls' Work Department, and one divided prize in the Boys' Work Department.

| | Attendance. | School. | Music. | Department. |
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| A. M. Chisholm, Great Village..... | 221 | 692 | 881 | 995 |
| E. Purley Fletcher, DeBert Village.... | 241 | 841 | 950 | 987 |
| John W. Hiltz, Maitland..... | 200 | 661 | 800 | 981 |
| Maggie Hunter, La Have..... | 233 | 950 | 968 | 1000 |
| Edward Leedham, Musquodoboit..... | 220 | 782 | 941 | 1000 |
| Frank McLean, "..... | 230 | 682 | 820 | 973 |
| Janet C. Macneill, Pictou..... | 244 | 941 | 988 | 999 |
| Daniel M. Reid, Pictou..... | 232 | 861 | ½ yr. 475 | 998 |
| William M. Smith, Norton, N. B..... | 245 | 815 | 951 | 1000 |
| Howard Taylor, Musquodoboit..... | 201 | 724 | 790 | 999 |
| Robert S. Whitman, Bridgewater..... | 216 | 801 | 856 | 998 |
| Flora Wilson, Tatamagouche..... | 244 | 852 | | 1000 |

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

Prize 1st, Maggie Hunter ; 2nd, Janet C. Macneill.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

Prize 1st, Janet C. Macneill ; 2nd, Maggie Hunter.

GIRLS' WORK DEPARTMENT.

Prize, Flora Wilson.

BOYS' WORK DEPARTMENT.

Prizes, Daniel M. Reid, and Robert S. Whitman.

PUPILS ENTERED DURING THE YEAR 1876.

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| Charles Cole, Fredericton, N. B., Richard Peterson, St. John, N. B., James Butler, Barrington, George Theakston, Halifax, Jane Atwood, Yarmouth, | Lena Laurilliard, Windsor, Ella Hawkins, Halifax, Maggie Newcomb, Shoal Bay, Minnie Corbin, Halifax. |
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PUPILS WHO HAVE LEFT DURING THE YEAR.

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CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
Halifax Asylum for the Blind.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—NAME.

This Association shall, conformably to the Act of Incorporation, 30 Victoria, C. 50, be styled, "THE HALIFAX ASYLUM FOR THE BLIND."

ARTICLE II.—MEMBERSHIP.

All original subscribers to the fund for erecting the Asylum for the Blind within the City of Halifax shall be and continue members of this Association so long as they contribute the sum of one dollar or upwards towards the support of the Institution.

Any subscriber to the funds of the Institution to the amount of five dollars or upwards, may be constituted a member on motion of a member of the Board of Managers at one of their regular monthly meetings, and so continue during his annual payment of five dollars.

Donors of fifty dollars at one time, and members who have served the office of Manager not less than three consecutive years, shall thereby be constituted life members of the Association.

Payment of five hundred dollars at one time shall constitute a patron of the Institution.

Patrons and members shall have the right of voting at the annual election of Managers, and shall themselves be eligible.

ARTICLE III.—MANAGEMENT.

The management of the Institution shall be entrusted to a Board of twelve members, who shall choose from their own number a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary and Recording Secretary.

An annual meeting for the election of the Board of Management shall be held on such day of the second week of the last month of the year as the Board of Managers may appoint, due notice thereof being given in two at least of the Halifax newspapers. Any number of persons present in a half-hour from the time named in such notice shall be a quorum for the election of Managers, and the transaction of any business to be passed upon at such annual meeting; but any five members then present may, if they shall deem the business to require

it, demand an adjournment to some other day and hour within one week therefrom, and the same shall stand adjourned accordingly, and the business so postponed shall at first adjourned meeting be first taken up and finally disposed of.

If for any reason the election of Managers be, pursuant to the forgoing provision or otherwise, postponed, the Managers of the preceding year shall hold office until the new Board be elected.

The Board of Managers shall have power to supply vacancies occurring therein between the periods of the annual elections.

At the annual meeting the votes shall be taken by ballot, and the first twelve persons named on a list made in the order of the number of votes given for them respectively, beginning with the largest number of votes and so on to the least, shall constitute the Board of Managers.

ARTICLE IV.—BY-LAWS, &c.

The power of making, amending, and repealing by-laws, and regulations for their own guidance and the government of the Institution, and the appointment and removal of all officers, and regarding salaries and allowances, is vested in the Board of Management, but no by-law once passed shall be altered or repealed except on a vote of two-thirds of the members of the Board present at a regular monthly meeting thereof, and after notice of such alteration or repeal given at the next preceding monthly meeting.

ARTICLE V.—AMENDMENTS.

The foregoing articles, together with the provisions contained in the Act of Incorporation, are declared to be the Constitution of the "Halifax Asylum for the Blind," and no alteration shall be made therein except by a vote of two thirds of the persons present at an annual meeting of the Corporation upon the recommendation of the Board of Managers, of which at least one month's notice in writing shall have been given to the Patrons and Members individually, by letter addressed to the Patron or Member, and mailed at Halifax, or left at his place of business or abode.

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BOARD OF MANAGERS—MEETINGS.

I.—STATED MEETING.

The Board shall hold a stated meeting at the Institution on the first Monday of every month, except when such Monday shall fall on a public holiday, then on the day following, and at such hours as they may from time to time appoint.

II.—SPECIAL MEETINGS.

Special meetings may be convened by request of the President or three members of the Board, the time, place, and object to be specified in such request, and inserted in the notice of meeting by the Secretary.

At least twenty-four hours' notice of special meeting shall be given, and no business other than that specified in the notice shall be transacted.

III.—QUORUM.

Five of the members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

IV.—PRESIDING OFFICER.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board at which he may be present, and he shall be *ex-officio* member of all standing Committees. In his absence the Vice-President shall represent him, as well on standing Committees as at the Board. In the absence of both President and Vice-President from any meeting of the Board, the chair shall be taken by the first named on the list of Managers present at the hour for commencing business.

V.—COMMITTEES.

The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Board of Managers at their first meeting in each year:—

(1) Finance—

A Committee of Finance, consisting of the President, Treasurer, and four members of the Board, whose duty it shall be to devise and recommend ways and means for securing and preserving the financial prosperity of the Institution, to examine and certify the correctness of the Treasurer's annual report, and at the end of every year prepare and submit a full and clear report of the financial condition of the Institution.

Every Standing Committee shall from time to time furnish the Committee of Finance with such information as they may require, and particularly before the close of every year with a full inventory of all the property in their respective departments.

(2) *Instruction*—

A Committee of Instruction, consisting of four members of the Board who shall have supervision of the Educational Department and shall enquire from time to time into the methods pursued in the instruction of the blind in other places.

(3) *Manufactures*—

A Committee of three on Manufactures to supervise the Manufacturing Department, supply that Department with raw material, and dispose of the articles manufactured.

(4) *House*—

A House Committee of three on supplies, repairs and improvements, to have supervision of all matters connected with the supply of provisions, clothing and other necessaries; the regulation of the domestic arrangements of the Institution, and the care of the building and grounds.

(5) *General Duties*—

Each Standing Committee shall visit the Institution at least once a month, and arrange for one of their number to do so weekly. They shall have the entire and exclusive control, subject only to the full Board, over the department allotted to them; shall keep a book at the Institution, in which all their proceedings shall be entered, and especially all requisitions, instructions or orders given to the Superintendent or other officers shall be clearly set down therein, for the prevention of any misunderstanding regarding the same. The Chairman shall be bound to see that the duties of his committee are in every respect fully performed, and shall furnish the Board whenever required with the minutes of their proceedings, and all other information desired.

VI.—DUTIES OF THE TREASURER.

The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and securities belonging to the Institution, and shall be *ex-officio* a member of the Committee of Finance; shall deposit all moneys of the Institution, on receipt, in some bank approved by the Managers, to the credit of the Institution, and pay by cheques drawn thereon all bills certified by the Chairman of any Standing Committee. He shall present at every stated meeting in each year a full report for the year, and in such form as the Board may prescribe.

VII.—DUTIES OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the general correspondence of the Institution, and submit the same at each stated meet-

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ing of the Board. He shall file at the Institution all letters received by him or the Board, and copies of all letters received by him, and keep the same under his charge for the exclusive use of the Board.

VIII.—DUTIES OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Board, and enter the same in a book of Minutes; shall prepare and issue all notices required in conducting the business of the Institution; and communicate all resolutions of the Board to the Committee or officer affected thereby.

He shall have the custody of the seal, and use the same only as directed by the Board of Managers.

He shall see that all by-laws of the Institution are properly recorded in a book kept for that purpose: shall file at the Institution all reports and papers submitted to the Board or placed in his custody, and safely keep them for the exclusive use of the Board.

Whenever the Secretary is mentioned in any by-law, resolution or other proceeding, it shall mean the Recording Secretary.

In his absence the Managers shall appoint one of their number to act *pro tempore*.

IX.—ADMISSION OF PUPILS.

(1) *General terms*—

Young blind persons of good moral character between the ages of eight and eighteen, may be admitted to the Institution by paying one hundred and twenty dollars per annum, the payments to be made by half-yearly instalments in advance. This sum shall cover all the expenses of board, washing, tuition and medical attendance. The pupils must furnish their own clothing, and pay their own fares to and from the Institution.

Their friends may visit them at reasonable times under the regulations of the Board.

(2) *Special cases*—

The Board of Managers may receive special applications for the admission of pupils who are in indigent circumstances, and grant or refuse the same from time to time, as in their judgment may be consistent with the funds of the Institution.

(3) *Day scholars*—

The Board may, at their discretion, receive day scholars upon such terms and conditions as they may prescribe.

(4) *Forms, &c.*—

Applications for admission must be addressed to the Recording Secretary, at the Asylum, and made upon the forms and in accordance with the directions prescribed by the Board.

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Halifax Asylum for the Blind, in account with G. Thomson, Treasurer.

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| 1876. | |
| House Expenses..... | \$1213 58 |
| Salaries..... | 800 00 |
| Furniture, Bedding, &c..... | 60 81 |
| Books, Printing, Music, &c..... | 96 51 |
| Repairs, Whitewashing fences, &c..... | 316 29 |
| Fire Insurance (on Building and Furniture)..... | 45 00 |
| Gas account..... | 84 30 |
| Manufactures (rattan, &c., &c.)..... | 55 78 |
| Fuel..... | 11 20 |
| Labour at Gronnds..... | 65 44 |
| Miscellaneous..... | 67 54 |
| Cash in hand to balance to meet accounts not yet rendered.... | 23 86 |

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| 1876. | |
| Balance from last year's acc't..... | \$ 535 85 |
| Interest from Investments, &c..... | 1252 56 |
| Donations..... | 122 75 |
| Board from pupils..... | 155 00 |
| Manufactures (work sold)..... | 85 55 |
| Grass on ground..... | 16 00 |
| Provincial Grant..... | 1000 00 |
| Balance from Concert, per Messrs. Sichel & Co..... | 25 00 |

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Examined and found correct.
S. A. WHITE, }
JOHN DUFFUS, } Auditors.

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Halifax, 8th December, 1876.

GEORGE THOMSON, Treasurer.

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| Provincial Grant..... | \$2000 00 | Chas. Cogswell, M. D..... | \$ 100 00 |
| Hon. M. B. Almon..... | 2000 00 | C. D. Hunter..... | 100 00 |
| " E. Collins..... | 1000 00 | Ann Vass..... | 100 00 |
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| Hon. A. Keith..... | 200 00 | Edward Smith..... | 100 00 |
| " J. H. Anderson..... | 200 00 | John Brookfield..... | 80 00 |
| James Donaldson..... | 200 00 | E. K. Brown..... | 50 00 |
| Judge Bliss..... | 200 00 | Wm. Cogswell..... | 80 00 |
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| Shaw & Murphy..... | 12 50 | Windsor, per Dr. Fraser..... | 608 00 |
| R. T. Muir..... | 10 00 | Upper Londonderry, per Mr. | |
| C. Kaizer..... | 10 00 | Morrison..... | 12 00 |
| Everett Brothers..... | 10 00 | Rev. Mr. Wylie's Congregation, | |
| J. C. McIntosh..... | 10 00 | Londonderry..... | 8 20 |
| D. Falconer..... | 10 00 | Legacy from late Jane Molly.... | 88 87 |
| P. Walsh..... | 10 00 | Legacy from late Robt. Noble... | 100 00 |
| Jonn Lithgow..... | 10 00 | Legacy from late Robert Purvis, | |
| H. P. Burton..... | 5 00 | Pugwash..... | 100 00 |
| M. A. Buckley..... | 5 00 | Legacy from late Jas. McDonald, | |
| Col. Lowry, 47th Regt..... | 5 00 | Green Hil, Pictou Co..... | 150 00 |
| St. John's Church, Lunenburg.. | 18 20 | | |
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| Yarmouth, per Rev. M. Moody. | 18 40 | Hon. Robt. Boak..... | 100 00 |
| Wolfville, per Dr. Johnston..... | 96 00 | Jas. R. Lithgow..... | 50 00 |
| St. John's Church, Truro..... | 95 50 | John Boyd, St. John, N. B..... | 50 00 |
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| 1875.—Dec'r 31.—F. A..... | \$10 00 |
| I. S. Murray..... | 5 00 |
| Mrs. S. Binney..... | 20 00 |
| James Farquhar..... | 5 00 |
| Mrs. Kent-Mason..... | 2 00 |
| Willoughby Chapman..... | 2 50 |
| Frederick Allison..... | 10 00 |
| John McKay, (Pictou)..... | 1 00 |
| T. R. B..... | 4 00 |
| Judge Marshall..... | 5 00 |
| Executors late Miss Jane M. Tonge..... | 20 00 |
| Mrs. Munroe (Wallace)..... | 5 00 |
| William Walcott..... | 7 25 |
| Thos. B. Akins..... | 10 00 |
| Rev. M. Stewart,—Congregation, Whycomah..... | 6 00 |
| G. Thompson (Treasurer)..... | 5 00 |
| G. P. Murray, (N. E. Margaree)..... | 5 00 |
| E. D. King..... | 5 00 |

We have also to acknowledge Christmas supplies from kind friends in the city.