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*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. PARTRIDGE,
ROB'T. TAYLOR,	S. E. WHISTON,

*Treasurer.*

JOHN J. MACLEAN.

*Secretary.*

E. D. MEYNELL.

*Surgeon.*

DR. LINDSAY.

*Superintendent.*

MR. ROBT. NORMAN.

*Matron.*

MRS. NORMAN.

# REPORT

## OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE HALIFAX PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, FOR 1885.

WE are again called upon to review the work of the past, and to consider the progress and claims of the Institution placed under our supervision. In taking a retrospect of the work of the past year, our hearts are filled with gratitude to God for the blessings He has vouchsafed us and the prosperity He has permitted us to enjoy.

Owing to commercial depression, the year has not been as successful financially as we would have desired. Our subscriptions have somewhat decreased, but from time to time our treasury has been replenished from other sources. In this connection, mention may be made of a

### CONCERT

held on the evening of Feb. 26, '85. On application, the Trustees of Brunswick St. Methodist Church kindly granted the use of their basement for this concert, at which the Lieut.-Governor presided. It was a decided success in every way, adding \$77 to the funds of the School.

At the beginning of the year there were thirty-two boys in the School. Eight, having completed their time, left during the year, and seven new boys were admitted, leaving thirty-one on the roll at the end of the year. One lad, Edwards, left, early in June to join the Mounted Police in the N. W. Judging from his exemplary conduct while in connection with the School, and also from letters received from him by the Superintendent, we are assured that he will give a good account of himself in his new surroundings. Calling to say good-bye to a friend before leaving, he said, "I am determined to do nothing that will bring discredit on the *Old School*, and I will not soon forget Mr. Norman's good advice and Mrs. Norman's kindness in doing so many things to make my journey comfortable." Four others of those who left are employed in the city, working at their

trade in the establishments of Robt. Taylor & Co., and A. A. Bliss. One boy was sent to Aylesford to take a situation there. His letters prove that he is doing well, and as an evidence that he does not forget his old home, he sent from his first month's wages \$2 as his first donation to the funds of the School. Thus the seeds of Truth sown in the hearts of these boys, are beginning to bear fruit, and it is gratifying to learn that those who leave the Institution appreciate the opportunities for improvement which it has afforded them, and which they would not otherwise have enjoyed.

#### BEHAVIOUR.

Generally speaking, the conduct of the boys during the past year has been satisfactory. At the different churches they have attended their conduct has been all that could be desired, and has frequently called forth expressions of commendation from the various congregations.

#### ANNUAL MEETING.

The attendance at the annual meeting, which was held in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, was not so large as usual, owing to the severity of the weather and other causes. The President, J. S. Maclean, presided. After some opening remarks by the President, and the reading of the Annual Report, stirring and earnest addresses were delivered by his Lordship, Bishop Binney, Rev. Mr. Laing, Principal Forrest, Hon. W. J. Stairs and Robt. Baxter. As on former occasions, the boys contributed several songs and choruses, which were well rendered, and added greatly to the interest of the meeting.

#### INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

In the shoe department the boys have been employed by Robt. Taylor & Co. Through the continual depression in business this department has been working for several months on half time, which has materially affected this source of income.

We have also had to contend with difficulties in the kindling wood department, which have caused a decrease in our receipts. The mill which supplied us for so many

years with good slab-wood was destroyed by fire last summer. Much trouble has been experienced in getting sufficient wood elsewhere at the same cost. The only available place was the mill of Mr. Spence, St. Croix, and the cost of freight and hauling from Cotton Factory, make the wood more expensive. We hope, during the summer, to secure a large quantity of wood, and thus prevent delay in the delivery to our numerous customers.

Carpet cleaning shows an increase over previous years. As we have excellent facilities for doing this kind of work, and as carpets are called for and returned without extra charge, it is hoped that the public will give a still larger patronage. Orders left at H. A. Taylor's, Barrington St., and at A. F. Buckley's, Brunswick St., will receive prompt attention.

#### SABBATH SERVICES.

During the year the boys have attended the following churches: Bishop's Chapel; Fort Massey, Park St., and St. Matthew's, Presbyterian; Brunswick St., Grafton St., and Charles St., Methodist. A Sabbath School under the superintendence of Mr. Norman, assisted by Mr. J. M. DeWolf, is held in the large school room every Sunday afternoon. As in other schools, the International lessons are studied, and those who have occasionally assisted in the quarterly review services, can testify to the accuracy and promptness with which the boys answer the questions put to them. The singing of appropriate Sabbath School hymns is an important and attractive feature in this service. The good accomplished through the agency of this little Sunday School can only be estimated in the light of eternity. "Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters."

#### MUSIC.

In this department the boys still take an unabated interest, and enter heartily into the services of song and other exercises in which singing is a prominent feature. The elevating influences of music cannot be over-estimated, and although several of the best singers have left during the year efforts are still made to cultivate a taste for music. We are assured that these efforts have not been in vain.

## PICNIC.

In common with others the boys of the Industrial School have their annual picnic, which is one of the "red letter" days in their history. It was held in the month of August on Smith's grounds, Bedford. With their usual kindness Messrs. Franklyn and Morrow placed their steam yacht "Arrow" at the disposal of the Directors free of charge. The day was charming and the trip around the Arm and up the Basin most enjoyable. The fife and drum band discoursed lively and enthusiastic music from time to time and was quite an acquisition. Several of the Directors and other friends of the School accompanied the boys and entered heartily into the proceedings of the day, which consisted of the usual sports, such as running matches, "tug of war," &c., &c. All returned home delighted with the day's enjoyment.

## CHRISTMAS.

Christmas always brings its share of joy and gladness to the hearts of the boys, and the kind friends who assist in making this festive season a happy one for them, must surely realize that the truest pleasures are drawn from the "deep wells of loving kindness." As usual, the decorations last Christmas were very elaborate, and much admired; reflecting great credit upon Mr. Norman and the boys. The Directors who were present to assist in the festivities of the occasion were J. S. Maclean, President; S. M. Brookfield, Rev. J. J. Teasdale, J. M. DeWolf, Hon. W. J. Stairs, Adam Burns, W. H. Neal and E. D. Meynell. Among the visitors were His Worship the Mayor, Mrs. Adam Burns, Mrs. Leon Owens, and Mr. and Mrs. Whiston. It is needless to say that the very excellent dinner provided for the boys, was appreciated to the fullest extent. After dinner addresses were delivered by several of the Directors and visitors. The addresses were interspersed with Christmas carols which were well rendered by the boys; and as they sang, it is hoped they were not unmindful of the "gladness that lies at the heart of Christmas;" that He of whom they sang was God's Christmas gift to the world. The customary prizes were presented, Thomas Scarfe and J. McDonald receiving the 1st and 2nd prizes offered by the Superin-

tendent for good conduct. On the previous Christmas, Mrs. Adam Burns, with a desire to get the boys interested in Natural History, offered prizes for the best collection of natural objects. From that time several of the boys were indefatigable in their pursuit of treasures from "Nature's boundless store." On the day of the picnic one boy became the happy possessor of several small *green snakes*, which he tenderly coiled in a tin box, afterwards to be preserved in alcohol. These *snaky* specimens were among the conspicuous objects on Christmas Day. Although not much regard was paid to classification, the exhibition was very creditable, and represented a considerable amount of energy and perseverance. Mrs. Burns must have been gratified with the success of her plan, and presented the successful competitors with two volumes on Natural History and \$6 in money to be divided equally among them. Prizes offered by Miss Maclean for proficiency in gymnastics were also presented, and an interesting book was contributed to the Library by Mr. Whiston. A number of the former scholars took dinner with the boys, showing that they still cherished the memory of their Old Home.

From year to year it is our aim to increase the efficiency of this invaluable institution. It has been as a "city of refuge" to many a waif who but for its kindly shelter would probably never have known the comforts of a home. We would again recommend it to the Christian benevolence of our city as an institution worthy a generous support.

#### FINANCE.

We regret to say that our finances are not in as good a state as they have been. Many unforeseen expenses such as repairs to cottage, workshop, &c., injury to drain pipes necessitating opening the ground for a distance, short earnings in the shoe shop, kindling wood department, &c., all have contributed to reduce a decreased income. We have also had to make a very large outlay to renew the whole front of our dwelling house which leaked very badly, also to put new floors in the basement dining-room and kitchen which had become almost inhabitable. These demands upon us have given your Directors much uneasiness; the repairs were imperative, but we have not the money to pay for them and

are in trouble as to how to get means to meet obligations. We earnestly appeal to a generous public to help us in our time of need.

We cannot conclude this report without again expressing our entire satisfaction with the management of the School under Mr. and Mrs. Norman, whose care and supervision relieves your Directors of much anxiety in regard to both the health and conduct of the boys.

The thanks of the Committee are again most cordially tendered to Dr. Lindsey for his valuable and gratuitous services. To the several churches for accomodation. To Hon. T. D. Archibald for his annual gift of ten chaldron of coal. To H. A. Taylor and A. F. Buckley for their kind services in taking orders for wood &c. To trustees of Brunswick St. Methodist church for use of Basement for concert. To Mr. Huestis for Wesleyan paper weekly, and Prof. Fraser for Critic weekly. To Mr. Kennedy, schoolmaster, for Montreal Witness weekly, and to 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 occasion required.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS, INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL :

*Gentlemen*,—Nothing exceptional has occurred in school matters during the year, but steady routine work has been done and considerable progress has been made. The most noticeable improvement has been in penmanship and reading. I have in my mind just now the case of a lad taken off the streets over two years ago, who knew nothing—not even the alphabet—but who can now read anything ordinary and write his own letters. Nor is this instance a solitary one. Many young men are aided in life by a tolerable education, who but for this Institution would be continually struggling against the fearful odds that are ever arrayed against the hopelessly ignorant. Those who know how important to a young man are fixed moral habits and even a rudimentary education, will know how to estimate the value of an Institute doing such work as the Protestant Industrial School. The conduct of the boys has been excellent; and everything possible has been done by the Superintendent to facilitate the performance of the work assigned me.

I remain, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

W. J. KENNEDY.

## THE DIRECTORS, PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL :

*Gentlemen*,—I am very happy to report that the general health of the boys at the School during the past year has been unusually good ; and this fact I would attribute largely to the almost parental care which both the Superintendent, Mr. Norman, and his wife, manifest towards the young lads placed under their charge. It has been but seldom that I have been required to supplement their ministrations.

During the time of the threatened approach of small-pox, a thorough vaccination of those previously unprotected and a re-vaccination of all whose evidence of protection was unsatisfactory, was carried out ; and the necessity of having this simple but all important operation properly performed was very evident, as quite a number of boys who exhibited immense scars of a previous severe but wholly spurious and valueless vaccination, when carefully selected lymph was properly used, at once developed the true *vaccine vesicle*, and may now be considered safe from small-pox. I need hardly say that the primary vaccination was not the work of a physician.

To the cleanliness of the building and its fine healthy isolated situation is largely due the fact that no infectious disease has appeared in the Institution.

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

## SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The Lieut.-Governor	\$5 00	Gray, B. G.	8 00
Archibold, E. P.	4 00	Greer, G. M.	1 00
Adams, E. D.	2 00	Halifax Carpet Co.	2 00
Avery, Dr	20 00	Harrington, W. D.	2 50
Anderson, Billing & Co.	10 00	Hart, Levi	2 00
Almon, M. B.	2 00	Hesslein, Henry & Sons.	10 00
Austin, Bros	1 00	Jack, Peter	5 00
Blackadar, Mrs. C. C.	2 00	Jones, A. G.	4 00
B. & B.	4 00	Keith, Donald	2 00
Brown, Thos. A.	20 00	Lawson, Harrington & Co	8 00
Brown, T.	2 00	Lewis, W. G.	5 00
Burns, Adam	10 00	Matheson, Harley & Co.	4 00
Bell, A. M.	20 00	Morrow, Jas	5 00
Bell, H. H.	2 00	Mahon Bros.	5 00
Black, Miss C. H.	5 00	Morrow, G.	5 00
Black, S. H.	2 00	Mathers, J. H.	1 00
Black, M. P.	20 00	Morrow, M. R.	2 00
Bland, Mrs.	40 00	McMurray, R.	1 00
Bland, J. B.	25 00	Macdonald & Co.	5 00
Brookfield, S. M.	20 00	Mackintosh, J. C.	5 00
Brown, M. S.	10 00	Motton, R.	1 00
Corbett, F. D.	10 00	Moir, W. C., Son & Co.	10 00
Chipman, J. A.	2 00	Maclelan, J. S.	20 00
Coleman, W. J.	2 00	Northup, Mrs.	10 00
Clarke, H. Y.	2 00	Neal, W. H.	5 00
Cornelius, J.	1 00	Payne, T. J.	2 00
Cogswell, Miss E. J. (Eng)	40 00	Parker, Hon. D. McN.	10 00
Cogswell, Rev. W. H.	20 00	Parker, F. G.	2 00
Cook, H.	1 00	Payzant, J. Y.	2 00
Creighton, C. A.	2 00	Purvis, Miss	5 00
Davison, J.	1 00	Pickford & Black	20 00
Doull & Miller	20 00	Read, Dr. H. H.	4 00
Dunn, Wiman & Co.	5 00	Reid, Dr. A. P.	5 00
Elliot, Freeman	2 00	Rent. G.	3 00
Estate W. S. Sterling.	5 00	Ritchie, T. A.	30 00
Farquharson, J.	2 00	Ritchie, T.	5 00
Forrest James.	5 00	Robertson, W.	5 00
Franklyn, G. E.	10 00	Silver, J. & Co.	2 00
Friend	4 00	Smith, J. Wesley.	5 00
do per J. S. M.	10 00	Smith G. M.	1 00
Fader Bros.	5 00	Stayner, C. A.	2 00
Friend	1 00	Schwartz, W. H. & Sons,	2 00
Fraser, W. J.	2 00	Stephen, Thos. G.	2 00
Gibson, John	1 00	Sweet, R. J.	2 00

Scott, James .....	5 00	Troop, Geo. J.....	5 00
Stairs, W. J .....	30 00	Taylor, Robt.....	5 00
Smith, E. G.....	5 00	Uniacke, Robie.....	4 00
Smith, B. A .....	3 00	Wylde, C. J .....	1 00
Silver, W. C.....	10 00	Whitman, C. H.....	2 00
Starr, George H.....	20 00	Wilmot, Mrs. L. A ....	5 00
Theakston & Angwin....	5 00	Wilson, J. E.....	2 00
Thomson, Cathcart ....	5 00	White, S. A.....	10 00
Thomson, James .....	40 00	Young, Sir W.....	20 00
Thomson, G .....	5 00		

**Donations on Account of Debt of 1884.**

January, 1885.

M. P. Black .....	\$40 00
A. Duffield.....	4 00
Mr. Vinecove.....	2 00
W. B. McNutt.....	2 00
J. Harmstead.....	50
Rev. R. F. Burns, D. D.....	5 00
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.....	25 00
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	\$78 50

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.....	1
Lord Bishop of Nova Scotia.....	1
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	0
G. H. Starr.....	1
Late A. K. Doull's Legacy.....	3
City of Halifax.....	17
T. A. Ritchie.....	1
Mrs. Scarfe.....	1
Mrs. Jer'h. Northup.....	1
Mrs. Schwartz.....	1
Free List.....	1
Mrs. Tierney.....	1
John Hall.....	1

#### Guarantee Paid 1884.

Mrs. Scarfe.....	41 64
St. Andrew's Sabbath School.....	40 00
St. Matthew's Church S. S.....	30 00
Bishop Binney.....	40 00
G. H. Starr.....	40 00
St. Paul's S. School.....	39 16
Ritchie, T. A.....	40 00
City of Halifax for 1½ years.....	1360 00
Mrs. Jer'h. Northup.....	40 00
Mrs. Schwartz.....	15 00
Mrs. Tierney.....	55 00
Jas. Hall.....	35 00
J. Carlton.....	10 00

**Gifts, &c., For 1885.**

**PICNIC.**

Messrs. Franklyn & Morrow—for use of steam yacht Arrow.  
 Neal White & Co—1 box belts, 1 neckties.  
 Smith Bros—1 parcel braces etc.  
 Fader Bros—2 joints of beef.  
 Scott & Co—1 ham.  
 Moir, Son & Co—1 box biscuits.  
 Brown & Webb—2 gal. lemon syrup.  
 Money subscribed for Picnic:—  
 S. H. Starr, \$4; A. Burns, \$2; W. B. McNutt, \$1; Mr. John Naylor, \$2;  
 Hon. W. J. Stairs, \$2; collected by Mr. Meynell, \$6; S. M.  
 Brookfield, \$1; collected by Mr. Whiston, \$5; Rev. J. J. Teasdale, \$1.

**CHRISTMAS.**

Mr. Hesslein—3 geese.  
 His Worship the Mayor—3 turkeys.  
 Brown & Webb—6 bottles syrup.  
 Moir, Son & Co—1 box biscuits.  
 Neal White & Co—1 parcel mufflers.  
 Burns & Murray—1 parcel.  
 Smith Bros—1 parcel.  
 Theakston & Angwin—1 parcel.  
 Fader Bros—9 geese for New Year's Day.  
 Misses Meynell—1 large cake New Year.  
 Dr. Burns—1 goose and mince pie.  
 Mr. Whiston—parcel of oranges, nuts and candy.  
 J. S. Maclean—1 box raisins.

**OTHER GIFTS.**

Hon. T. D. Archibald—1 chal. coal.  
 Mr. Wilson—1 large parcel haddock.  
 Mr. Cook—1 barrel salt cod.  
 Lawson & Harrington & Co—1 barrel salt herring.

## Financial Statement of the Halifax Protestant Industrial School.

	DR.		
1884.	To Balance over-due debts, ..	\$ 501 78	
Dec. 31. 1885.			
Dec. 31.	" Clothing Acct., ..	478 58	
	" Diet, ..	1101 94	
	" Fuel and Oil, ..	247 62	
	" Insurance, ..	98 50	
	" Wages and Salary, ..	817 11	
	" Labor on Farm, ..	187 00	
	" Farm Expenses, ..	451 62	
	" Repairs Acct., ..	241 79	
	" Furniture, ..	53 66	
	" Sundries, ..	236 99	
	" Slabs, Wharfage, etc., ..	279 08	
	" Water Rate, ..	7 00	
	" Horse, ..	100 00	
	" Deposit Acct., ..	150 00	
		\$4952 67	
	To Balance, ..	\$302 09	
	Liabilities for Repairs, ..	1089 00	

Examined and found correct,  
J. W. GOREHAM.

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1884.	By Cash in hand, ..	\$ 16 80	
Dec. 31. 1885.			
Dec. 31.	" Mr. Taylor, hire of boys in Shoe Department, ..	382 00	
	" Sale of Kindling Wood, ..	518 58	
	" Carpet Department, ..	234 16	
	" Guarantees, ..	425 80	
	" City " 1 yr. and 3 ms., ..	1360 00	
	" Donations, ..	806 00	
	" Proceeds of Concert, ..	77 10	
	" Special donat'n for debt 1884, ..	78 50	
	" Fire Award, ..	140 00	
	" Interest on Deposit, ..	30 00	
	" Mr. Taylor, use of Engine, ..	25 00	
	" " " Team, ..	19 00	
	" Board of man, ..	100 00	
	" Hire of boy, ..	22 00	
	" Rent of Cottage, ..	66 64	
	" Sale of horse, pig and cow, ..	97 00	
	" Donation from Thos. O'Rourke, ..	2 00	
	" once in the School, ..		
	" Legacy Miss Wilkie, \$150 } ..	250 00	
	" " Mr. Hesselein, 100 } ..		
	" Balance to debit, \$277 74 } ..	302 09	
	" " due Sup't, 24 35 } ..		
		\$4952 67	

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

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