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*BRITISH AND CANADIAN*  
**SCHOOL SOCIETY,**  
TO THE  
**GENERAL MEETING.**

HELD ON  
*TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1824.*

WITH A  
LIST OF THE SUBSCRIBERS AND BENEFACTORS.

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**LAWS AND REGULATIONS**  
OF THE  
**BRITISH AND CANADIAN SCHOOL SOCIETY,**  
*ESTABLISHED SEPTEMBER 21, 1822.*

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I. This Society shall be designated "THE SOCIETY FOR PROMOTING THE EDUCATION OF THE LABOURING CLASSES OF THE PEOPLE OF EVERY RELIGIOUS PERSUASION," and its title shall be "THE BRITISH AND CANADIAN SCHOOL SOCIETY."

II. This Society shall consist of a Patron, President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Life and Annual Members; together with such Officers as may be considered necessary for conducting the affairs of the Institution.

III. The Institution shall maintain a School on an extensive scale to educate children. It shall train up and qualify young persons of both sexes to supply well instructed teachers to such of the inhabitants of Canada, as shall be desirous of establishing Schools on the British system.

IV. The School hours shall be from nine to twelve in the morning, and from two to five in the afternoon, from the first of April to the first of November; and from two to four in the other months, (Saturdays excepted.) During those hours the School shall be open to the public, for the purpose of exhibiting the system of teaching. The Monitors shall be allowed to attend extra hours during the week, to receive lessons in English Grammar, Geography, &c.

V. No book, pamphlet, or other paper, shall be introduced into the School without being first presented to, and approved of, by the Committee. Reading, Writing, Arithmetic and Needle work shall be taught; the reading lessons shall be confined to the Holy Scriptures, or extracts therefrom, and lessons for spelling and arithmetic; no catechism or peculiar religious tenet shall be taught in the Schools, but every child shall be enjoined to attend regularly the place of worship to which its parents belong.

VI. All Subscribers of Twenty Shillings a year, or Five Pounds in one donation, shall be entitled to have one child continually in the School, except as after mentioned, (and so in proportion for any larger sum;) and also be Governors of the Society, and as such, eligible to be Members of the Committee, and to vote and be present at the General Meetings.

VII. No children shall be admitted into the School until they have completed their sixth year; and whenever the number of children admitted shall be within twenty of the number determined by the Committee to be received, no children under the age of eight years shall be admitted, and the eldest of the then applicants shall be preferred. All absent Members may recommend children by proxy.

VIII. All Subscriptions shall become due on the first of October in each year, and no Governor shall be entitled to vote at general meetings, or recommend scholars, during such time as his subscription is in arrear.

IX. A General Meeting of the Governors shall be held every year in the month of September, at which meeting, the proceedings of the Committee for the preceding year shall be read, and if approved, confirmed, and the funds and the state of the School considered, and a report thereof for the information of the Subscribers, approved, and such additional regulations and resolutions adopted as may be deemed necessary, and a President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, and other Members of the Committee elected, or re-elected, with power to fill up vacancies during the year.

X. Special Meetings of the Governors shall be called at the request of the Committee (seven or more of them being present) or by twelve Governors, seven days previous notice being given thereof, and of the business proposed to be transacted.

XI. No question shall be decided by ballot unless demanded in writing, and signed at the General Meeting (wherein the question shall arise) by at least ten Governors, and all Female and absent Governors shall be entitled to vote by proxy, at such ballot which shall be taken seven days subsequent to such General Meeting.

XII. The Committee shall meet on the first Monday of every Calendar month, or oftener, three members whereof shall constitute a quorum.

XIII. No member of the Committee shall be employed in any business respecting the Society, for which he is to receive a pecuniary compensation.

XIV. The Committee shall at each of their Monthly Meetings, appoint two Inspectors for the ensuing month, who shall attend at least, twice in each week, at the School-Room, for the purpose of ascertaining the progress of the Children in their learning. They shall minute in a Book the time of their attendance; and after having inspected the Master's Reports, &c. they shall enter any remarks thereon, and on any other matter respecting the School which they deem proper in the said Book, and sign the same; which shall be laid before the then next Monthly Meeting of the Committee.

XV. A Committee of Ladies shall be appointed at the General Meeting, to manage the affairs of the Female Department of the School: they will be expected to make an Annual Report of their Proceedings to the General Meeting.

XVI. Every recommendation of a Child to the School, shall be signed by a subscriber, and shall specify the parents, names, places of abode, number in family, occupation, circumstances, (or average of weekly earnings,) and denomination of religion; also the name and age of the Child recommended; which recommendation, shall be left with the Master, or Mistress, who shall enter the same on the register of Candidates.

XVII. If any Child so recommended shall be rejected by the Committee as ineligible, or in the event of a vacancy happening with respect to any of the said Children, the subscriber recommending such Child, shall immediately be informed thereof by a written notice signed by the Master or Mistress. Whereupon such subscriber shall be at liberty to recommend another Child to supply the vacancy, but if such subscriber shall neglect to do so for two weeks after notice shall be sent; the Committee shall fill up such vacancy, and the subscriber lose his recommendation for that time.

XVIII. No Child shall be admitted with any infectious disorder, and the Children shall come to School properly washed, and with their hair cut short and combed.

XIX. The School Master and Mistress, in their respective departments, shall enter or cause to be entered, daily in a Book, an account of the absentees from School, and from their respective places for worship on Sundays, and shall keep a weekly account of the cause of such absence. Each Teacher shall produce such accounts to the Inspectors, and also an account of the Children who have passed from class to class, in consequence of proficiency in learning during the preceding month—and of the rewards distributed.

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 The Committee meet on the first MONDAY in every Month.

FEMALE DEPARTMENT.

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**PATRONESS,**  
THE RIGHT HONORABLE  
**THE COUNTESS OF DALHOUSIE.**

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Miss DAY, SECRETARY.

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AT THE SECOND ANNIVERSARY MEETING OF THE  
BRITISH AND CANADIAN SCHOOL SOCIETY, HELD IN  
THE SCHOOL-HOUSE, ON TUESDAY THE 5TH OCTOBER,  
1824.

HORATIO GATES, ESQ. PRESIDENT, IN THE CHAIR.

Mr. GATES introduced the business of the Meeting with an appropriate Speech, and called on the Secretary to read the Report.

*On the motion of Charles Tait, Esq., seconded by David Handyside, Esq.; it was Resolved unanimously,*

I. That the Report which has been read be approved, adopted and printed under the direction of the Committee.

*On the motion of John Frothingham, Esq., seconded by A. Ferguson, Esq.; it was Resolved unanimously,*

II. That this meeting views with pleasing satisfaction, the increasing desire for knowledge and improvement, manifested generally by the inhabitants of these Provinces.

*On the motion of John M'Cord, Esq., seconded by John Torrance, Esq.; it was Resolved unanimously,*

III. That from the report made of the fact that this Society has been under the disagreeable necessity of refusing admission to upwards of 50 Children, it becomes necessary to make an appeal to the Public, that through their liberal donations, the Society may be enabled to erect a Building, and procure such an Establishment, as may be adequate to the education, and accomodation of about 600 Children.

*On the motion of Peter M'Gill, Esq., seconded by Daniel Fisher, Esq.; it was Resolved unanimously,*

IV. That this meeting do with feelings of the most lively and sincere gratitude, return its warmest thanks to his Excellency the EARL OF DALHOUSIE, for his continued Patronage of the British and Canadian School Society; and for the praise-worthy generosity and attention he has constantly manifested towards the Institution, which cannot fail of establishing on a sure foundation its most perfect success, of animating its friends to further exertions, and of giving life and energy to its every spring of action.

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*On the motion of I. T. Barrett, Esq., seconded by Lieut. Sampson, 70th Regt. ; it was*

*Resolved unanimously,*

V. That the thanks of this meeting be given to the President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary and Committee, for their services during the last year, and that the following Gentlemen compose the Officers and Committee for the year ensuing, with power to fill up vacancies during the year :—(Vide page 5.)

*On the motion of George Davies, Esq., seconded by Andrew Shaw, Esq. ; it was Resolved unanimously,*

VI. That the sincere thanks of this meeting be presented to the Right Honourable the Countess of DALHOUSIE, for her Patronage of the Female Department of this Institution ; and to the Ladies' Committee, for their unwearied exertions and constant attention to the interests of the Society ; and that the following Ladies be the Committee for the year ensuing :—(Vide page 6.)

*On the motion of Peter M'Gill, Esq., seconded by John Mackenzie, Esq. ; it was Resolved unanimously,*

VII. That the thanks of this Meeting be given to the Chairman for his able conduct in the Chair.

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YOUR Committee cannot lay before you the proceedings of the Society during the past year, without expressing the gratification they have felt in being the almoners of your munificence to the ignorant and wretched, and their gratitude for the success with which they have been favoured; which success they trust may be regarded as a proof of the Divine approbation of their efforts.

Since the last Annual meeting, his Excellency the Earl of Dalhousie has condescended to visit the schools, and examine the children; and was pleased to remark, that "he was very highly pleased to see the cleanliness, order and progress of the boys;" and of the girls' school, that "he was very much gratified by the numerous attendance, cleanliness and perfect order in all the arrangements."

His Lordship, with his accustomed generosity, directed that four Canadian boys, who had attended the school from its commencement, in his Lordship's name, (their parents being unable to pay any thing towards their instruction) should be educated and clothed at his expense; and in the examination of one of the classes, his Excellency, on hearing one little boy, whose habit was an evident mark of indigency, answer questions with greater accuracy than others in the same class, directed that a suit of clothes should also be provided for him. As it has been well observed, with respect to the Parent Society in London, "that it could scarcely have survived the attacks made upon it, but for the distinguished protection and support it had received from our late venerable King, which patronage has been continued by His Most Gracious Majesty," so might it have been with us, but for the patronage of our truly liberal and enlightened Governor. Your Committee rejoice to hear that, at the nineteenth Anniversary meeting of that Society, lately held in London, his Lordship was appointed Honorary member.

Many strangers from various parts of North America have visited your schools, and have expressed themselves regarding it, in terms highly flattering. And your Committee would again take this opportunity of inviting the public generally to the schools, being persuaded that they will be highly gratified.

The number of children in attendance is,

	<i>Boys.</i>	<i>Girls.</i>	
<i>Catholics</i> ,.....	62	34	
<i>Protestants</i> ,.....	134	87	
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Total, .....	196	121	
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Admitted during the last year,	249	143	..... 317

Which, with the number admitted in the first year of its establishment, make a total of 891 children.

The rapid progress of the children in their different branches of learning; their regular attendance, cleanliness and order have met with your Committee's most cordial approbation. As a proof of the flourishing state of the school, your Committee beg leave to notice, that within the last two months, Mr. Hutchings, the master, has been under the painful necessity of refusing admittance to no less than fifty children, chiefly Canadians, for want of room; this circumstance, your Committee consider as a very loud call on the Society, and on the inhabitants generally, to shew their wanted liberality, in contributing towards the erection of a School-house, sufficiently commodious for the education of 600 children. The expenses attending such a school, conducted on this system, will not be greater than one containing only half that number; and the weekly payments from the children will of course be in proportion to the number in attendance. Considering the increasing desire for knowledge and improvement, manifested by the labouring classes of the community, your Committee are convinced that such a School-house would very soon be filled.

To give existence to a spirit of emulation and rivalry, your Committee have adopted the plan recommended by the Parent Society, in distributing half yearly, useful articles as rewards to the children who merit them; and on the list appears Murray's English grammar, abridged, which is studied by the monitors and the first boys in the school. Lately, Pinnock's catechism of geography, (a very excellent and cheap little work) has been introduced into the school: and your Committee propose to order copies of catechisms of Agriculture, Land-surveying, English grammar, Arithmetic, &c. for next spring. These catechisms are well recommended by many learned men, and they appear to have met with general approbation in England: your Committee are of opinion that they will be of great utility in this country. Here it may not be improper to mention the arrival of the female teacher from London, alluded to in last year's report—that she has entered upon her duty, and appears to be fully qualified for her office. Your Committee beg leave to make honourable mention of the

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In the fall of last year, by the indefatigable exertions of Lieut. West, a School Society was established at Quebec, under the direction of a respectable committee of Catholics and Protestants, to instruct the children of all religious denominations in the English and French languages. Two masters were immediately engaged. During the Midsummer vacation the English master attended your School, to learn the British system. By an account just received from Quebec the number of scholars in attendance is 100, of which 36 are Catholics. To this Society your Committee has supplied lessons in French and English at cost prices. To a Roman Catholic school existing in the same city, containing about 200 children, in which also both languages are taught, your Committee have furnished with a complete set of french lessons gratis.

Your Committee would next with pleasure advert to an Indian school in the Indian village of St. Francis, near lake St. Peter, of the tribe of Abenakis. The master, who is likewise interpreter of the tribe, and receives £20 sterling per annum from Government, appears to feel a deep interest in the welfare of this school. He writes under date of January last: "The interest I feel for the instruction of our Indian children, will always lead me to do all in my power to promote it: and I am convinced that no reformation can be effected without the knowledge of the Holy Scriptures." By a letter of a recent date, he states the number of children in the school to be very small, in consequence of some of the children being employed in harvest, but he thinks that if the improved system of mutual instruction were introduced, about 80 might be collected. The Indians and Canadians in the village have entered into a subscription to build a School-house, and have applied to your Committee for a plan of the building, which they have gladly sent to them. The School-house, which they propose immediately to build, will accommodate 100 children. The two Indians from this tribe, who have attended your school since May last, for the purpose of being qualified, the elder Simon Annance, aged 25, as Schoolmaster, and the younger, aged 17, as general monitor, have made considerable progress in writing, arithmetic, and the English language. The elder, who has studied about four years in a missionary college in the United States, is nearly competent to organize and conduct the Indian school, to which your Committee propose sending him this fall. They both promise to be useful. Towards the maintenance and instruction of these two Indians, his Excellency the Earl of Dalhousie has very generously contributed twenty pounds.

Your Committee report, with much pleasure, the formation of a school on the British system, in the military barracks of this city, for the children of the soldiers, and for such soldiers as are

unable to read. Soon after this system was introduced, the number in attendance was 120 children and soldiers, about an equal number of each: previous to its introduction, the number seldom exceeded 25. A corporal in the regiment attended Mr. Hutchings, the greater part of last winter, to be trained in the system; he conducts the school with great satisfaction. This school is chiefly indebted to the unwearied exertions of Lieut. and Adjutant Sampson. Your Committee have supplied it also with a few lessons, slates, &c. at cost prices.

Your Committee having been solicited by the National School Committee to assist them with lessons, slates, &c. felt much pleasure in furnishing them with such articles as they could spare, and have applied to the British and Foreign School Society for the remainder, being two complete sets of lessons, &c. for the boys' and girls' schools, which have been lately fitted up on the British system.

The British system has likewise been introduced into the Orphan Asylum in this city, containing about thirty orphans; a few lessons have also been sent to them at cost price.

It is contemplated by the inhabitants of Laprairie immediately to open a school on the British system in that village; the respectable part of the community, both Catholics and Protestants, appears to be much interested in it. About 100 children may be collected.

Finally, your Committee beg leave to close this report by a general call to vigilance and activity.

Does not the reflection of past ages, in which we see one generation after another, arising and passing through the world in a state of ignorance the most pitiful? Does not the consideration of training up and qualifying a rising generation, to act a part in life, useful and profitable; of preparing them to perform the duties of the various relations of life, rouse and emulate to future exertions? and should not the example of him, whom the Society has the honor to call her Patron, give each of us a devotedness and a power to act with greater zeal and diligence? Already have the exertions of your Society produced omens of the most auspicious kind. But the Institution requires to be steadily supported, and its exertions wisely regulated, to render it a more useful vehicle for conveying knowledge to the Canadian, the Emigrant, and the Indian. It is, therefore, the most earnest wish of your Committee in retiring from their office, that you may be guided in the choice of another Committee, that will, by its wisdom and activity, do more and more good for the general welfare of these provinces, by the dissemination of Scriptural and useful knowledge.

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THE changes effected by time in the wide world of literature, fashion, and politics, engage the attention, and become sufficiently the subjects of public opinion; while the silent but important and extensive revolutions, produced by a charity school, present an attractive colouring to but a small portion of society. The impressions daily stamped on the infant mind in the course of education, and which are rapidly forming the embryo character of the man, are forgotten amid the more active and engrossing pursuits of life. But were events estimated according to the good or evil influence they exert over a community, your Committee feel, that the Institution of which they are this evening called to render an account, would unrol as bright a page as graces the register of the last year. Though at the last Annual Meeting, its prospects were represented as highly encouraging, your Committee scarcely anticipated the good success with which it has been crowned, and which now enables them to report the admittance of 361 pupils during the time it has been under their superintendance; 143 have been entered the last year; and the total number now on the list is 121, an increase of 53 since the last general meeting, and which furnishes a strong proof, that parents in the humbler walks are not averse to the education of their children; that they joyfully accept the proffered gift, which is indirectly to enrich themselves. Many of the pupils read correctly in the Testament, and others in the lower classes, are making rapid advances towards it. The uncommented reading of the Bible, so far from bewildering their minds, by presenting to them things above their comprehension, seems to be gradually producing the light of moral principle. Your Committee have been much gratified by the readiness and correctness with which the children repeat various passages of Scripture. Their minds are by this method imbued with sacred truth, and every week is adding to their store of that knowledge which can eradicate the seeds of error, and make vice feel its own impotence. In writing, their progress has been satisfactory; in arithmetic, a number of them have made tolerable proficiency; and in needle-work, an inferior, but not less useful branch, their improvement for the last few months has been such as to challenge inspection. New buoyancy has been given to the hopes and exertions of your Committee, by the arrival of Mrs. Chapman, their expected teacher, in July last; and it is with much pleasure they

announce to you that they find her perfectly competent to the charge; under her superior and systematic discipline, the pupils are daily becoming more tractable, intelligent and interesting.

In their pecuniary affairs your Committee have ever paid the strictest regard to economy.

Your Committee would advert with gratitude to the generous condescension of the Countess of Dalhousie, who, by becoming the Patroness of the girls' school, has evinced a philanthropy of feeling which adds new lustre to the splendour of rank and fortune. At her Ladyship's request, four girls have been selected to be instructed and clothed at her expense.

Though there is much to view with complacency, yet your Committee are conscious that there are many deficiencies: the beacon has been erected, but few have yet seen its light; thousands need its guidance. Among us, the rudiments of learning are like the plant which has been carefully cherished in the green-house, but has never yet been suffered to try its strength beyond its walls. The increasing eagerness for instruction, causes us to turn an anxious eye on our funds, and our next glance is to the rich and influential. It is the silent appeal of expectation and confidence; and where is the individual so utterly destitute of the noblest feelings of his nature, as to suffer it to pass unheeded? The Institution which now claims your interest, will not rise for a moment, then sink, and pass away with the ephemeral occurrences of the age: the dignity and magnitude of its object must ever remain the same. To raise the human mind from the abject slavery of ignorance and depraved principle, to implant in it new incentives to virtue, to string it with chords, which shall vibrate to the tune of pure moral feeling, and teach it to soar above the degradation too often attendant on poverty, is its avowed, its noble object. Nor is it merely one or two individuals who wait to be thus benefited. The luxuriance of vegetation is seen on the hills, but cultivation has scarcely descended to the vallies of our country. To the cottager, knowledge is still an unappreciated word. Yet your Committee confidently anticipate the period when the humblest dwelling shall contain an instructed and enlightened inmate; when the usefulness of the Institution you have fostered, shall be felt and acknowledged by many grateful recipients of its bounty.

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## APPENDIX.

The 4th Resolution was introduced by Mr. M'GILL, as follows:—

Sir,—The Resolution which has been allotted to me to propose to the con- sideration of this respectable meeting, is one, which I am persuaded, needs no rhetorical flourishes to recommend it to their unanimous assent. It is one, Sir, which would stand best on its own intrinsic merits; for it requires not the foreign aid of ornament, (at least none that I can give it,) to secure for it your entire approbation; but since it is a practice long established at meetings of this nature, to introduce resolutions by what is technically called a speech, I hope you will indulge my vanity, and pardon my presumption, if I attempt to preface it by a few brief but desultory observations: at the same time I feel but too conscious of my inability to perform the task to my own satisfaction, much less to yours. Unaccustomed as I am to speak in public, I cannot but feel anxious when I address such a meeting as this, when I see around me, men of extensive information, enlightened views, and great oratorical powers. I entertain a hope, however, that you will give me credit for my intentions, and not judge of me by my performance.

It has been said, Sir, by a great moralist, whose name I do not at present remember, that we resemble the Gods in nothing so much as in doing good to our fellow-men—and, Sir, among all the blessings and benefits which we can bestow on our fellow-creatures, none surely are so valuable in themselves, none attended with such happy effects to the objects who experience them—none attended with such beneficial and important consequences to the world in general, as the giving the means of education to the poor—the constant diffusion of knowledge, and therefore the increase and extension of human happiness. There have been, indeed, some eccentric Philosophers, and others their admirers, who have maintained the doctrine that “ignorance is bliss,” and that all the evils and revolutions which nations have experienced in these latter ages, are to be attributed to the education of the lower classes of society; nay, if my memory serves me right, I believe that witty but profligate writer, Jean Jacques Rousseau, once wrote an essay, which gained the prize of a University, to prove, that man, in a state of nature—consequently man, uninstructed, unlettered, and uninformed, such as the Aborigines of our forests are at this day, was the happiest state of existence. It is a gratifying reflection however, to think, that such absurd notions, such heterodox opinions, are now obsolete and exploded—and the earnest desire manifested by all ranks and conditions in the Mother Country, as well as in this portion of the Empire, and other nations of the world, to encourage the education of the poor, is a sufficient testimony that a favourable change has taken place in the sentiments of mankind on this important subject.

Every man, Sir, who has contributed, by any useful invention, to add one iota to the sum of human happiness—or who has founded any system by which light and knowledge can be more easily extended to those who sat in darkness and ignorance, must be esteemed and considered a benefactor of mankind—and as such, deserves the respect and veneration of the world. Among that numerous class of individuals, who have found out new inventions or founded new and improved systems of science and of education, in this age of experiment and speculation, none appears with a brighter aspect in the constellation of genius and usefulness—none whose services in the extension of human learning deserves more the approbation and gratitude of this and future ages, than Joseph Lancaster, whose system of education is followed and practised in this Institution.

It is not my intention, because I am not able, and were I able, I do not think it necessary, to enter into a discussion of the comparative merits of *his* system of education, and that founded and followed by others of equal respectability.—There is a great variety of opinions on this point among mankind. Every system has its patrons, advocates and supporters.—It is sufficient for us to know by experience, and to witness by its beneficial results, that his system is a good one. Sir, after those highly gifted individuals—those benefactors of mankind—who have founded new, wise and improved systems of government and of education, may be ranked those generous and patriotic individuals, who support and patronize them—who lend a helping hand to extend the blessings and advantage, they are calculated to produce. What one among us here this evening who has contributed the smallest sum to the Institution whose anniversary we are met to commemorate, but must feel a proud satisfaction, a consolatory reflection, that he may have been the means of raising a human being from the depth of ignorance and indigence, to knowledge and comparative respectability—that he has conferred on a fellow-creature the greatest of human blessings, by enabling him through the influence of education, to learn his duty to his God, to his King, and to his Country, of becoming a useful Citizen, a loyal subject, and a good Christian.

But, Sir, among the numerous, active, and zealous supporters of this Institution, I know it will not be considered invidious if I point out one pre-eminent above the rest, to whom it is indebted for many invaluable benefits—I mean the Governor-General the Earl of Dalhousie—he has always extended to it his countenance and protection—laboured for its prosperity—constantly expressed a warm interest in its welfare, and liberally assisted it in pecuniary matters. His merits in this respect are not confined to us alone—for I see by the Report, that at the last anniversary he was elected an honorary Member of the Parent Institution, no doubt for his patronage of this infant establishment.

Amid the cares of a Government sufficiently arduous and difficult, he did not forget that the true end of all Government is the people's happiness, and that the principal means of accomplishing that desirable object was the encouragement of education among the lower classes of society, thereby improving their moral habits, enlightening their judgments, and enlarging their sphere of action. What one among you then, who has the common feeling of humanity, who has the slightest spark of gratitude in your bosoms, who has the least interest in the welfare and success of the Institution, but must join with me in expressing our heartfelt thanks, and deepest obligation to so excellent a benefactor and so liberal a patron.

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