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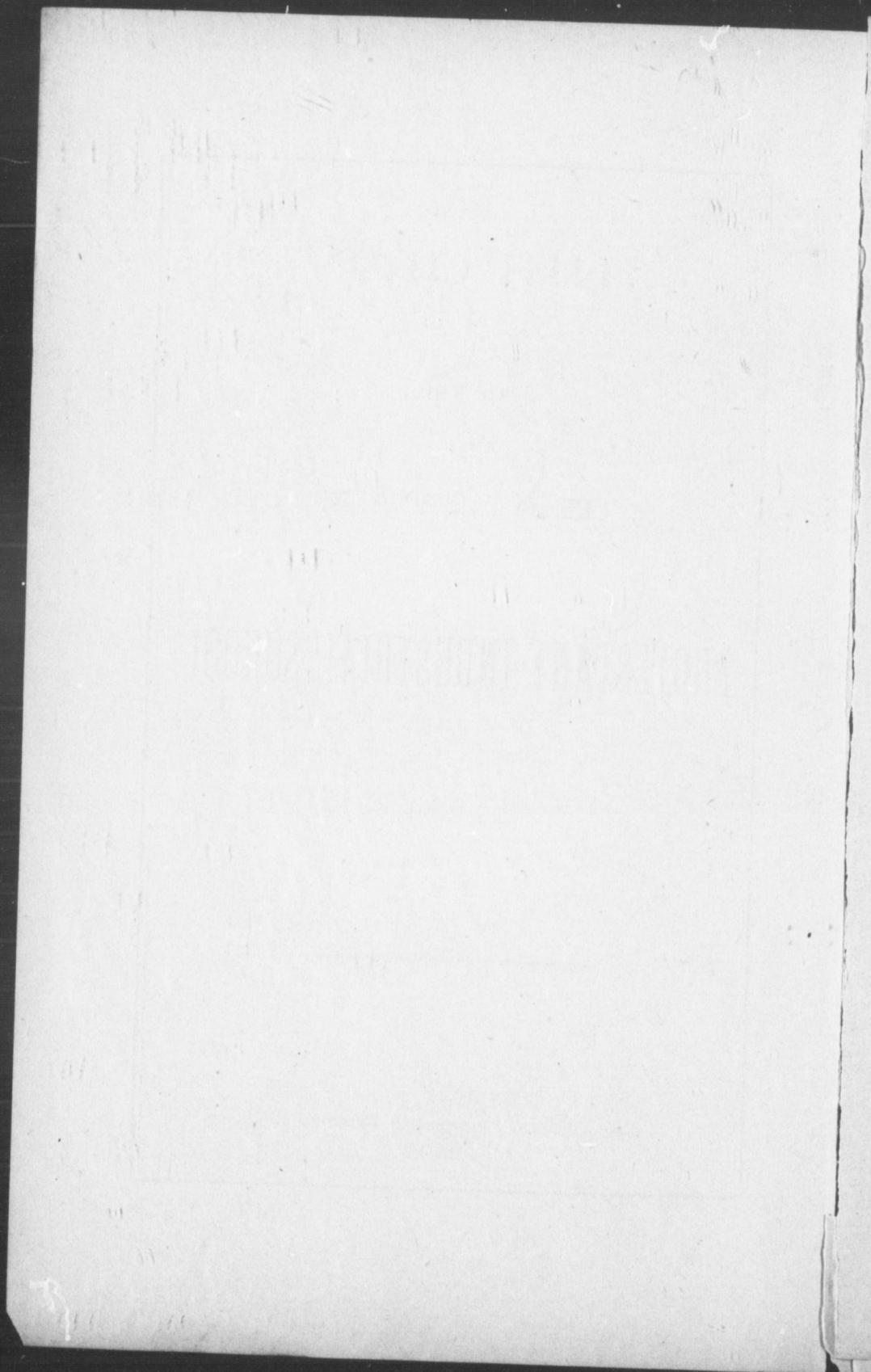
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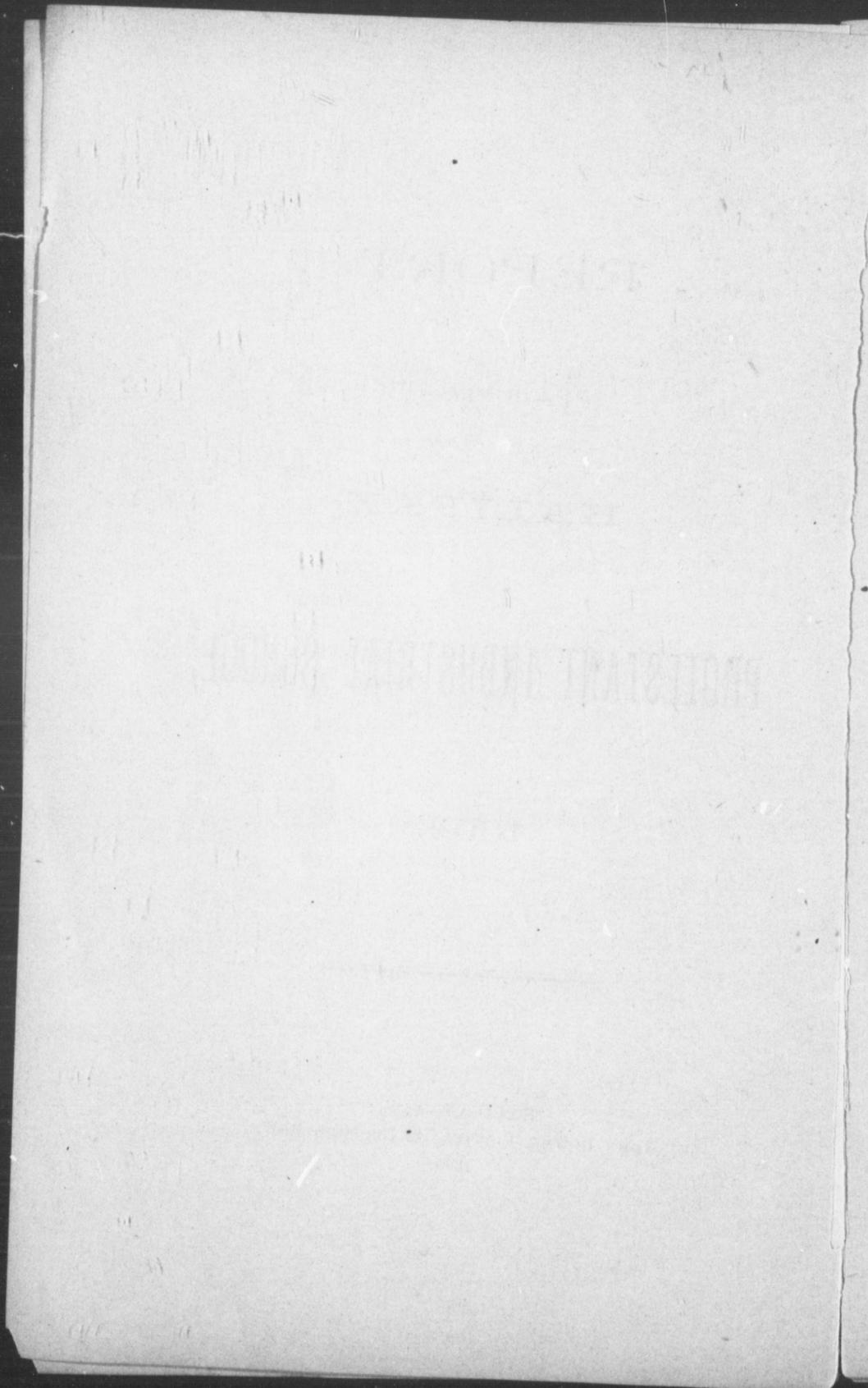
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HALIFAX PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

COMMITTEE.

S. M. BROOKFIELD, *Chairman.*

HON. W. J. STAIRS.

S. E. WHISTON.

WM. ROBERTSON.

E. G. SMITH.

REV. F. H. WRIGHT.

REV. FOSTER ALMON.

G. E. FAULKNER.

REV. A. GANDIER,

H. A. FLEMMING.

H. P. BURTON.

RUFUS J. SWEET,

SAUL MOSHER.

REV. D. M. GORDON,

GEO. E. BOAK.

Secretary.

RUFUS J. SWEET.

Treasurer.

M. C. GRANT.

Surgeon.

DR. LINDSAY.

Superintendent.

MR. ROBERT NORMAN.

Matron.

MRS. NORMAN.

FINANCE AND SHOE DEPARTMENT.

G. E. FAULKNER, *Chairman.*

GEO. E. BOAK.

H. A. FLEMMING.

The Secretary, (*ex-officio*).

The Treasurer. “

HOUSE AND GROUNDS.

S. M. BROOKFIELD.

WM. ROBERTSON.

SAUL MOSHER.

The Secretary.

RELIGIOUS AND MORAL TRAINING.

REV. F. H. ALMON.

REV. D. M. GORDON.

REV. A. GANDIER.

F. H. WRIGHT

S. E. WHISTON.

E. G. SMITH.

Monthly meetings of the Board are held at the office of Messrs. Grant, Oxley & Co., 68 Bedford Row and business connected with the Shoe Department is transacted in the same place.

Halifax Industrial School.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

We regret to report the year 1894 as ending with a larger deficit than the two preceding years.

A careful examination of the Treasurer's statement and comparing it with previous reports will show where the leaks occurred.

The cost of the kindling wood (to which we must add an unpaid wharfage bill,) just about equals the revenue derived from that source. So that the Institution gets nothing for the boys time and the expense of the teams delivering throughout the City—still for the many small boys we have we must find employment and splitting kindling wood seems to commend itself.

The Cottage in front has been put in good order, is now a credit to the grounds and commands a larger rental. We regret that a debt of \$600 incurred thereby has yet to be discharged.

The Shoe Department shows less profit than last year and a falling off in sales. Skilled labor is employed in the factory and the amount paid out for wages is considerable. The boys are selected who work there, and many of them learn the trade and thus have afterwards the means of earning a livelihood.

Mr. Middlemore again made use of the Institution as a temporary home for the boys he brought from England and has expressed his entire satisfaction with the treatment received.

The number of boys whose board is privately guaranteed grows less and less. A lad for which the "Association for improving the condition of the Poor" paid for, for some years, was very happily placed in a home in the country through the kindness of Mr. Major Theakston.

Some improvements the Directors have wished to carry out but have been hampered for the want of money. For instance a coach house is needed as their is not a suitable place to store some valuable waggons, sleighs and property in connection therewith.

We note with pleasure an increase in the Annual Subscriptions of about \$100. To the Chairman of the Finance Committee, the Treasurer and the Superintendent we are indebted for so desirable a result.

The Board tenders its thanks to Dr. Lindsay for his unremitting care and attention whenever called upon in any kind of sickness or accident.

The year just closed was a quiet year in the history of the Institution. Perhaps a little more activity might have been displayed by some of the sub-committees, but in the carrying on of many charitable and religious undertakings, there are always some to be found upon whom responsibility rests very lightly till the time arrives when becoming aroused, they look around only to find the opportunity for doing good has passed by.

The Managers of the Institution gratefully acknowledge the following

GIFTS DURING 1894.

- Mr. Whiston, 1 Boy's Bound Annual.
Mr. M. C. Grant, 1 Box Apples.
Leaman & Co, 3 Turkeys.
Burns & Murray, Parcel of Caps and Scarfs.
T. C. Allen, Parcel Games for Reading Room.
Longard Bros., 2 Turkeys.
Moir & Son, 1 Box Biscuits for Picnic, and one for Christmas.
Mrs. R. W. Fraser, Parcel Dough Nuts.
W. Atkinson, 1 Crate Apples.
Brown & Webb, 6 Bottles Syrup.
J. C. Mahon, 1 Turkey.
E. T. Mahon, 1 Turkey.
Hesslein & Sons, 2 Geese, 1 Turkey.
J. C. Mackintosh, 2 Geese.
W. Robertson, 2 Turkeys.
W. Robertson, Jr., 200 Oranges, 1 Parcel Nuts.
R. J. Sweet, 1 Box Raisins.
Friend, Parcel Groceries.
Mr Cahan, 1 Turkey.

The Halifax Protestant Industrial School,

Dr.

To Deficit from 1893	\$ 70 54
Kindling Wood and Binding Yarn	357 08
Hardware, Stove Pipe and Tinware.....	111 16
Clothing	260 99
DIET :	
Bread \$357.00, Meat, \$380 85, Fish, \$69.20, Potatoes, \$29.71, Tea, Sugar & Molasses \$226.05, Butter, Rice, Flour, Meal &c. \$303.35.	} 1366 16
Soap and other Washing Materials.....	60 84
Horse and Waggon acct.....	195 30
Feed acct. for Live Stock.....	318 76
FARM :	
Seeds &c	\$ 35.98
Labor, Mont. 6 months.....	194.40
Rent Field.....	60.00
	290 38
Repairs inside and outside Buildings....	152 34
Repairs to Machinery and Plumbing.....	158 50
Furniture and other House Furnishing....	130 33
New Range and Attachments	67 45
	197 78
Medicines	33 45
Fuel	188 05
Machine Oil and Kerosene.....	87 05
SALARIES :	
Superintendent and Matron.....	540 00
Servants and other wages.....	314 65
	854 65
Water Rates, 18 months.....	41 25
Taxes on Cottage.....	28 80
Insurance	124 80
Telephone \$15 00, Brushes S. Dept \$4 75.....	19 75
Books and Printing.....	30 29
Boots for Boys during year	113 05
Repairs to Cottage.....	645 42
Repaid the Home for the Aged	46 00
Fire Escape \$18.00, Fire Extinguishers \$34 00 ...	52 00
S. E. Whiston, for Nick Brynes College Course ...	52 50
Sundry Small Items ...	27 22
Wm. McFatrige, acct. for 1893.....	10 50
	\$5894 61
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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PROTESTANT
INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL :

Gentlemen :—

In submitting for your consideration my report of another year's work in the several departments under my charge, I regret to say that in some particulars my report is not so encouraging from a financial standpoint as some previous years. This is especially the case in our Kindling Wood Department in consequence of so much competition ; our sales of wood have been very much less than on previous years, also the revenue derived from shaking Carpets was sixty dollars less than the previous year, but I hope these sources of income will be considerably increased during this year. Our Boot and Shoe Department has been running during the year under the same skilled management, the work turned out has given general satisfaction, our customers I am pleased to say speak in high terms of the quality and work. As a result of our exhibition of work at the Late Provincial Exhibition, the Judges awarded us first prize for best collection of boots and shoes, namely, a silver medal.

We have now 15 boys employed in the Shoe Department learning their trade. Those boys who left during the past year, have, I am happy to say been able to get employment at their trade. The balance of the boys are working in Kindling Room, Farm, and assisting in the house work.

At the commencement of the year the number of boys on the Register was 34. Twelve boys have entered during the year, 6 were truants sent for short terms and six sent by Stipendiary Magistrate for terms of 2 years each. 11 boys have left, 4 truants, and 7 others having completed the time of their sentence.

Our School Farm has yielded somewhat better results than the previous year.

Aggregate value of crops raised as under :—

18 tons Hay @ \$15.00 per ton	\$270 00
3 " Oats Straw, @ \$7.00 per ton	21 00
100 bus. Swede Turnips @ 25c. per bus.	25 00
75 " Mangles " 25c. " "	18 75
60 " Potatoes " 35c. " "	21 00
10 " Onions " 75c. " "	7 50
35 " Carrots " 50c. " "	17 50
25 doz. Cabbages " 50c. " "	12 50
Sale of Gooseberries and Currants	8 32
" 2 Young Pigs	3 75
" 1 Calf	3 00
	\$408 32

It is gratifying to be able to report that the general health of the boys has been remarkably good, although a great deal of sickness of an infectious nature has been prevalent in our City. One accident occurred during the year, W. Cormick got two of his fingers caught in one of the machines. I removed him to the Victoria Hospital where he soon recovered. After being out of the Hospital for a few weeks, the same lad fell and dislocated his wrist, and was laid up for six weeks under Dr. Lindsay, our School Doctor. He has left the School and is employed at the Nova Scotia Cotton Factory.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

During the year, as heretofore, the boys attend one of the Protestant Churches once each Sabbath, and each afternoon Sunday School has been held at the Home. The International series of lessons is studied. During the year I have received valuable assistance from Mr. W. Robertson, Junior, in conducting the afternoon Service. Each day, morning and evening, Family Worship with the whole of the inmates is conducted by the Superintendent, and one evening each week is devoted to Bible Reading.

RECREATION.

Every opportunity is given the boys for healthful recreation. During the summer months the boys enjoy outdoor games in the beautiful grounds adjoining the School. On wet evenings and during the winter months the boys have the use of the Reading Room and Library, and with a plentiful supply of good books and papers and different games, many pleasant hours are passed.

EDUCATION.

Since our last report the Board of School Commissioners have appointed our late Teacher, W. T. Kennedy, as Principal of the High School, and he has been compelled after several years of faithful work to sever his connection with us as Night Teacher, which I am sure we all regret. The Commissioners have appointed Mr. Gardener to take his place, and from my own observation I think we have a worthy successor.

CONDUCT.

I am pleased to be able to state that with one or two exceptions, the conduct of the boys has been very good.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Through the kindness of Mr. Harrington, Collector of Customs, the boys were taken to Bedford on the steamer Argus, on July 26th. All present spent a very pleasant and happy day.

Christmas was celebrated with the usual bountiful supply of roast goose, turkey, plum pudding, &c. Several of the Board of Directors were present and assisted to make the occasion one of real enjoyment for the boys.

I am glad to be able to state that the Buildings have been kept in a good state of repair. A new Drying Room has been built adjoining the Engine and Boiler Room, a long felt want, but in consequence of want of funds has not yet been connected with Steam Boiler. In the summer the Main Building was whitewashed and walls colored, the only expense being cost of material used, as the work was done by the Superintendent with the help of 3 boys. New

fences will be required to be put up on the line of the School property on Chebucto Road, also a picket fence along the approach road from the Cottage fence to the School Building, which I hope to do with the consent of the Board this Spring, these repairs are absolutely necessary to preserve the good appearance of the property.

In reviewing the past year, we have much to encourage and stimulate us to greater work for God and Humanity. We have had discouragements, but this we must expect; when we look at the importance of the work in which we are engaged, to give the boys under our care a good moral and religious as well as industrial training, that they may be well equipped for the battle of life when they leave us.

I wish to express my thanks to the Chairman and Board of Directors for their kindness in giving Mrs. Norman a well earned vacation; after fourteen years absence from her friends she reached England in safety, and spent a very pleasant two months, but unfortunately just as she was about leaving there, she was taken seriously ill with Typhoid Fever which detained her two months longer. I am thankful to say that under a kind and merciful Providence she is rapidly gaining her usual health and is now able to superintend the internal work of the Home.

We again wish to express our thanks to the President and Board of Directors for their ready and earnest attention given to the wants of the School, also for their great kindness and sympathy with ourselves personally,

R. NORMAN, Sup't.

LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS, 1894.

A Friend.....	\$10 00	Flemming, H. A.....	5 00
Austen Bros.....	2 00	Francklyn, Geo. E.....	10 00
Allison, J. W.....	5 00	Forrest A.....	5 00
Archibald, Charles.....	5 00	Fraser James.....	5 00
Allen, T. C.....	7 00	Foster, M. T.....	5 00
Adams, E. D.....	2 00	Fraser, W. J.....	4 00
		Farquharson, John.....	5 00
Black, S. G.....	5 00	Foster, J. E.....	1 00
Bell, Chas.....	5 00		
Bowes, John.....	4 00	Grant, A. J.....	2 00
Burns, A.....	10 00	Gray, B. G.....	10 00
Boak, G. E.....	5 00	Gorham & Co., J. W.....	3 00
Brookfield, W. H.....	10 00	Gordon & Keith.....	4 00
Brookfield, W. G.....	10 00	Grant, Oxley & Co.....	10 00
Brookfield, S. M.....	25 00	Gunning, C. W.....	1 00
Borden, R. L.....	10 00		
Brown & Webb.....	10 00	Hesslein & Sons, H.....	10 00
Barnes, H. W.....	2 00	Harrington, W. O.....	5 00
Burton, H. V.....	3 00	Harris, R. E.....	1 00
Bell, Alfred J.....	2 00	Hart, Jarius.....	3 00
Boak & Bennett.....	5 00	Hart, Levi.....	10 00
Billman & Chisholm.....	5 00	Hamilton, W. H.....	1 00
Black, Miss.....	2 00	Hillis & Son, Jas.....	5 00
Bell, J. A.....	2 00		
		Kelley & Glassey.....	5 00
Cogswell, W. H. L.....	10 00	Kellogg, W. B.....	3 00
Cogswell, Miss E. J.....	20 00		
Clayton & Sons.....	10 00	Leaman, J. A.....	10 00
Campbell, G. S.....	3 00	Larren, V. M.....	5 00
Cunningham & Curren.....	5 00	Lowell & Co., W. H.....	3 00
Chalmers Church.....	10 00	Longard Bros.....	5 00
Chipman, J. A.....	2 00	Lawson, Harrington & Co.....	4 00
Crichton, J. W.....	1 00	Longard, E. J.....	1 00
Coleman, W. J.....	2 00	Middlemore, J. T.....	24 33
Crowell, M. O.....	2 00	Morrow, Jas.....	5 00
		Morrison, E.....	2 50
Dun, R. G., & Co.....	5 00	Moir, Son & Co.....	10 00
Davidson, Ezra.....	2 00	Mackintosh, J. C.....	5 00
Duncan, D. H.....	5 00	Mahon Bros.....	5 00
Drysdale & McInnes.....	10 00	Mayor, His Worship the.....	5 00
DeWolf & Son, T. A. S..	1 00	Muir, Wm.....	2 00
Elliott, F.....	1 00	Mitchell & Sons, G. P....	5 00
Faulkner, G. E.....	5 00	Mosher, Ald.....	5 00

Morse, J. E.....	5 00	Smith Bros	10 00
Mitchell, Walter	5 00	Schwartz & Sons, W. H..	1 00
Morrow, M. R	2 00	Stairs, John, F., M.P....	10 00
		Smith, A. & W. & Co....	5 00
Nova Scotia Furnishing		Smith, E. F.....	5 00
Co	5 00	Silver, W. C	10 00
		Silver & Co., John	2 00
Oxley, Fred H.....	3 00	Starr, Mrs. Geo. H.....	5 00
Outbit, Ald	2 00	Sweet, R. J.....	2 00
Oland, Sons, & Co., S....	5 00	Seeton, R. B	2 00
		Simson Bros.....	10 00
Pickford & Black	25 00		
Payzant, John Y.....	5 00	Thompson, Jas. F.....	2 00
Pyke, Geo. A.....	2 00	Theakston, R	3 00
		Troop, Geo. J.....	5 00
Robertson, Wm.....	10 00	Taylor & Co., Jno	5 00
Rhuland, John W	5 00	Whiston, S. E.....	5 00
Ritchie, Thos	25 00	Woodberry, Dr. H.....	2 00
Roche, Wm., M. P. P ...	5 00	Wood Bros., & Co.....	3 00
Roy, J. E	2 00	Wickwire, Dr.....	5 00
Richey, M. H., Hon.....	3 00	Whitman, A. N	5 00
Redden, Ald	2 00		
			<u>\$692 83</u>
Stairs, Wm. J.....	30 00		
Starr & Son, Jno	5 00		

MEMO.

Subscriptions, 1893.....	\$600 83
“ 1894	692 83
Increase 1894	<u>\$ 92 00</u>