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In submitting to our friends the ninth annual report of the MURRAY BAY CONVALESCENT HOME we have again with feelings of gratitude to thank Our Heavenly Father for the measure of success that has attended this work.

The number of inmates during the season has been 36 adults and 14 children, most of whom have greatly benefited by their residence in the Home.

MISS HERVEY, the foundress of this Institution, and under whose management it has been carried on for the last nine years, finding her health failing and the work increasing so largely as to render it impossible for one person to conduct it efficiently, and wishing to place the Institution on a more permanent basis, decided to request the co-operation of those interested in the Home. A notice was given in the Murray Bay Protestant Church of a meeting to be held at the Home on Monday, the sixth of August: a number of friends responded to this call, and after some kindly discussion a new constitution was drawn up and adopted, as follows:

- (1.) The MURRAY BAY CONVALESCENT HOME shall be under the control of a committee of eight ladies, to be chosen annually at a meeting of those attending the Murray Bay Protestant Church, to be held in the month of July, who shall be called the Committee of Management.
- (2.) Public notice of the annual meeting shall be given at each service in the Protestant Church, the Sunday preceding such meeting.
- (3.) The Committee shall hold office until their successors are appointed.
- (4.) In case of death, resignation or removal by any cause of any member between the annual meetings the remaining members shall fill such vacancy or vacancies.

(5.) The Committee shall have complete control of the Home, buildings, officers and inmates; they may appoint or dismiss officers, make regulations as to the admission and terms of residence of the inmates, and as to all other matters connected with the Institution.

(6.) The Committee shall appoint one of their number the President, and one the Vice-President; they shall likewise appoint a Matron, and a Secretary and Treasurer.

(7.) The rules and regulations to be made by the Committee from time to time shall be presented to the annual meeting for the approval or modification thereof.

(8.) There shall also be appointed at the same annual meeting an Advisory Committee, to be composed of three gentlemen, who shall cooperate as an Advisory Board with the Committee in their deliberations and work.

(9.) That in consideration of the valuable and continued services of Miss Hervey, the foundress of the Institution, she be during her life its Honorary President.

The following ladies and gentlemen kindly consented to form the Advisory Board and Committee of Management.

**Advisory Board.**

THE REV. CANON DUMOULIN.

THE HON. S. H. BLAKE, *Treasurer.*

DR. STIMSON.

**Committee of Management.**

MRS. BOSWELL, *President.*

MRS. STIMSON, *Vice-President.*

MISS LAWDER, *Assistant Treasurer.*

MRS. CLAPHAM.

MRS. TURNBULL.

MRS. CARTER.

MISS BARNJUM.

MISS WATSON, *Secretary.*

The following rules for the admission of inmates to the Convalescent Home have been adopted by the Committee of Management:

(1.) Women, young girls, children and boys (under eight years of age) are eligible for admission.

(2.) A medical certificate of the applicant's state of health, also a note from a clergyman or subscriber, are required before a card of admission is granted, which may be obtained from the person or persons from time to time designated by the Committee, and who shall be responsible for the fitness of the applicant.

(3.) No one shall be admitted convalescing from any epidemic or contagious disease.

(4.) Infants in arms shall not be admitted, except under special circumstances.

### RULES FOR THE INMATES.

(1.) All the inmates are to be subject to the control of the Matron, subject to the orders of the Committee.

(2.) Hour for Breakfast 8 o'clock.

“ “ Dinner, 1 o'clock.

“ “ Supper, 6 o'clock.

Evening prayers, 8 o'clock.

The elder girls are to go to their rooms at 8.30 o'clock, lights are to be put out at 10 o'clock, except in case of illness.

(3.) A daily routine to be carried on with regard to the sweeping, dusting and making of beds, each room to be well aired every day.

(4.) All inmates received at reduced rates shall, when able, assist in the work of the house.

(5.) Drunkenness, dishonesty, open contempt of religion, the use of bad language, or disobedience to the Matron and rules of the establishment, shall render the offender liable to expulsion.

(6.) All complaints are to be made to the ladies on duty.

(7.) Each inmate is to be responsible for her own articles and valuables, as to which the Home assumes no responsibility.

(8.) The inmates shall sit in the sitting-room or dining-room as ordered by the Matron.

(9.) The inmates shall attend public worship and Sabbath-school, unless excused by the Matron.

(10.) No spirituous liquors allowed on the premises, unless by order of the physician, and then only in such quantities as he shall prescribe, and in all cases to be administered only by the Nurse.

### DUTIES OF THE MATRON.

(1.) The Matron shall see that all the rules of the establishment are carried out, and shall obey the orders of the Visiting Committee.

(2.) She shall each day keep an account in a book of all expenditures of money for the Home, also a faithful account of all the stores and property placed in her charge, note down in her book all events of importance, and all donations, and shall visit, and keep a careful register of all that are admitted to the Home, with the date of their admission and departure.

(3.) She shall conduct prayers for the inmates each morning and evening.



(4.) She shall see that all meals are properly cooked and served, and promote in every way the health and comfort of the inmates.

(5.) At the end of each week she shall report to the ladies on duty any loss or breakage that may have occurred in the house property since the previous examination of the inventory.

(6.) She shall not receive or discharge any inmates without a written order from one of the ladies on duty or from the Secretary.

(7.) She shall read the rules to each inmate as soon as practicable after her arrival, to which rules each inmate must declare her assent if she desires to remain.

8. The nurse, cook, and housemaid, shall be under the Matron's control and shall go to her for orders.

#### DUTIES OF THE NURSE.

(1.) The Nurse shall be personally responsible for the administering of all medicine ordered by the Physician, and the carrying out of his orders concerning the sick; she shall also see that all invalids unable to leave their rooms have their meals properly cooked and served.

(2.) She shall see that all the bed-rooms are properly cleaned and ventilated.

(3.) She shall have entire charge of the house linen, give it out, and see that it is repaired; she shall also have the charge of all the medicines.

(4.) She shall carve at the head of the second table.

(5.) She shall not be allowed to administer any spirituous liquors, unless by the express order of the Physician.

Two warm friends of the Home have promised that they will make two of twenty-four to give fifty dollars each for the purchase of the building, \$1200 being required for that purpose.

The Committee sincerely thank those ladies who kindly raised \$61 by a concert and tableaux held in Mr. Duberger's hall, which he gave free of charge for the occasion; the President, Mrs. Boswell, for \$55.25, the proceeds of a tennis tournament; those ladies and children who worked for a juvenile bazaar, by which \$23.65 was realized; the Trustees of the Murray Bay Protestant Church for a special collection of \$59.29, and the Sabbath-school offering of \$13.05. The Committee earnestly requests the aid of the Christian public to make successful the work they have undertaken. As for so many years the work was carried on in a furnished house, and last year many of the invalids suffered inconvenience from the want of those comforts so necessary, to the ailing, the Committee would ask their friends to help

them to provide spring mattresses, pillows, lounges, easy chairs, pieces of carpet, table linen, etc. Friends of the Home who can conveniently spare any of those articles are urgently requested to send them to Mrs. Popham, 18 Durocher street, who has kindly promised to store them till the Home is opened in June.

The Committee also most earnestly desires to be enabled to open the Home freely to all who are unable to pay for its advantages, so that there may not be any invalid denied its benefit from lack of means. At the same time board will be charged those who are able and willing to pay, and thus help the funds of the Home.



## SUBSCRIPTIONS TO CONVALESCENT HOME, MURRAY BAY, 1883.

George Drummond .....	\$20 00	Mrs. E. P. Massey.....	1 00
Lady Galt.....	10 00	Mrs. B.....	1 00
Dr. Dugdale .....	10 00	Miss Miller.....	1 00
G. B. Cramp.....	10 00	A Friend .....	0 50
Mrs. Bagg.....	5 00	J. Smith .....	0 25
Mrs. McLeod.....	5 00	G. B. Comber.....	0 25
Mrs. Vanneck.....	5 00		
Mrs. A. Robertson.....	5 00		\$190 00
Mrs. A. F. Gault .....	5 00		
Mrs. J. H. R. Molson.....	5 00		
Mrs. Jno. McDougall .....	5 00	<i>Collected at Metis by Dr. Potts.</i>	
Mrs. Redpath .....	5 00	Dr. Potts.....	\$5 00
Mrs. S. Greenshields.....	5 00	W. Withall.....	5 00
Mrs. Arnton.....	5 00	M. Scholes.....	5 00
Mrs. Stephens.....	5 00	John Henderson.....	5 00
Mrs. Carmichael.....	5 00	Mrs. S. Finlay.....	5 00
Gibb & Co.....	5 00	Mrs. E. H. Botterell.....	5 00
Dr. Hingston.....	5 00	Mrs. Renfrew.....	5 00
Dr. Roddick.....	5 00	Donald Mackay... ..	4 00
Dr. McCallum.....	5 00	Mrs. Boisseau.....	3 00
Dr. Howard .....	5 00	Mrs. Moore.....	2 00
Hon. Edward Blake.....	5 00	A. Jeffrey.....	2 00
Rev. Canon Dumoulin.....	5 00	Mrs. P. Laing.....	2 00
V. Cronyn .....	4 00	Mrs. Gaunt.....	2 00
Miss Hall .....	4 00	Geo. Kemp .....	2 00
Mrs. J. T. Molson.....	3 00	Mrs. Holt .....	2 00
Mrs. Lane.....	2 00	Dr. & Mrs. Harrington.....	2 00
Mrs. Baldwin .....	2 00	Mrs. Grier.....	2 00
Mrs. Savage .....	2 00	A Friend .....	2 00
M. T .....	2 00	A Friend .....	1 00
R. Smith.....	2 00	Mrs. D. McFarlane.....	1 00
McArthur, Corneille & Co.....	2 00	Mrs. Jas. Johnston .....	1 00
A Lady friend .....	2 00	Mrs. Currie.....	1 00
Miss Watson.....	2 00	Mrs. Nichol.....	1 00
Dr. Potts.....	2 00	Mrs. Lepage .....	1 00
Mrs. J. L. Morris .....	1 00	Miss McMaster .....	1 00
Miss McFall.....	1 00	Wm. Short.....	1 00
W. H. Sparshot.....	1 00	Mrs. Skelton .....	1 00
Miss L. Watson.....	1 00	A Friend .....	1 00
Mr. A. Campbell .....	1 00	A Friend .....	0 50
Mrs. M. H. Gault.....	1 00	Per Mrs. Thompson.....	28 00
Mrs. Wurtele.....	1 00		
Mrs. W. E. Scott.....	1 00		\$102 50