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LIST OF MEMBERS, 1882-83,
OF
Saint John Mechanics' Institute,

ENTITLED TO VOTE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING
on April 9th, 1883.

L I F E M E M B E R S .

Boyd, Hon. John
Brass, E. J.
Daniel, Thomas
Fleming, William
Gray, Hon. John H.

Humbert, Thomas C.
Knowles, Joseph S.
Lawrence, J. W.
Wishart, John

Allison, Frank O.
Allison, Dr. L. C.
Allen, W. Watson
Alward, Silas
Adam, James
Allwood, William
Armstrong, Johu S.
Barbour, William V. C.
Barnes, James E.
Bunting, William F.
Bustin, Thomas
Best, William F.
Bent, George R.
Buchanan, John
Burpee, Hon. Isaac
Bent, Gilbert

Botsford, Dr. Le Baron
Bennet, Rev. Dr. James
Butt, W. F.
Breeze, Dudne
Belyea, R. M.
Barbour, George L.
Barber, James
Blake, George
Blois, Osborne
Brown, David
Blanchard, W. E.
Beck, John
Boddie, Henry G.
Burpee, George F.
Burnham, C. E.
Bowes, A. G.

A new furnace with fittings has been procured for the Hall at a cost of \$296.95, which has been found amply sufficient for the purpose required.

The Board, as yet, has not been able to afford to paint the gallery railings, but some necessary painting has been done by the Messrs. Neilson in an effective and artistic manner, and at a moderate cost, on the walls of the niche in the rear of the stage.

During the year, death has removed from the roll of members Mr. William F. Smith, an old and valued friend of the Institute, of which he was for several years a Director and Vice-President, who did great and good work on its account, and who, up to the day of his death, evinced the warmest interest in its welfare.

In the Museum, improvements have been made in some of the cases. The Archæological collection is in process of arrangement; and a list of donations to the Museum from its organization to the present time, has been made, for the purpose of tracing the origin and donors of objects, Archæological and otherwise. Valuable information has been recovered in this way respecting a number of articles, the labels of which had been lost or become illegible by the lapse of time.

Through the generosity of patrons of the Institute, to whom the Board and Members are greatly indebted, means have been provided to defray the expenses incurred in this work, and in procuring the valuable assistance of Mr. R. Chalmers, of the Canadian Geological Survey, for a month, in re-arranging the Museum generally.

The Lecture Course, which has been largely attended, and in every respect successful, comprised the following lectures and entertainments on the dates named :

1882.
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1882.

Dec. 4.—Grand Concert, by the “Schubert Quartette and Glee Club,” of Boston.

“ 11.—Rev. George W. Hodgson, M. A., Charlottetown, P. E. I. Subject: “Heroes of Lost Causes.”

“ 18.—Commander Cheyne, R. N., Ontario. Subject: “The Discovery of the North Pole.”

1883.

Jan. 9.—Rev. A. J. Townend, M. A., Halifax. Subject: “Charles Dickens, with Illustrations from his Works.”

“ 15.—Rev. Henry Cross, M. A., Saint John. Subject: “Small Beginning, Great Endings; or the Power of Trifles.”

“ 22.—Prof. Schurman, M. A., Dalhousie College, Halifax. Subject: “Milton, the Genius of English Puritanism.”

29.—Mr. J. V. Ellis, M. P. P., St. John. Subject: “Charles Sumner.”

Feb. 5.—Prof. Macgregor, M. A., Dalhousie College, Halifax. Subject: “The Birth and Growth of the Planets.”

“ 12.—Mr. A. H. DeMill, M. A., Saint John. Subject: “Travel and its Uses.”

“ 19.—Mr. Thos. Potts, St. John. Subject: “The Poetry of the Rocks.”

“ 26. Grand Vocal and Instrumental Concert, under the direction of Mr. Gubb.

The usual statements of Receipts and Expenditures, and of the Assets and Liabilities, with the report of the Auditors, are submitted herewith, and will, it is hoped and believed, be found satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted, this 5th day of April, A. D. 1883.

T. A. RANKINE, *President.*

T. B. HANINGTON, *Recording Secretary.*

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading of Minutes.
2. Reports of Standing Committees.
3. Reports of Special Committees.
4. Proposals for Membership.
5. Monthly Statements of Funds.
Secretary and Treasurer.
7. Deferred and Unfinished Business.
8. New Business.

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ANNUAL REPORT 1882-83.

To the Members of the Mechanics' Institute of St. John :

THE history of the Institute for the past twelve months has been comparatively uneventful.

The increasing expenses in connection with the various works—especially the Lecture Course—has been a cause of some anxiety to the Board ; and the fact that the rents have been \$85 less than during the preceding year, and that the sale of certificates and members' tickets has been \$82.50 less than was realized from these sources in that year, has somewhat added to this anxiety. Through the generosity of a number of friends, however, \$75 was placed in the hands of the Treasurer, and this was supplemented by \$229.37, the proceeds of a series of entertainments promoted and conducted by a Committee of the Board.

These entertainments consisted of a lecture by the Hon. James G. Stevens, J. C. C., and of vocal and instrumental music. The price of admission was fixed at the moderate sum of ten cents ; and the audiences, which filled and almost overcrowded the Hall, prove the appreciation of the efforts made to gratify and instruct the public at a minimum cost. To Judge Stevens, and the many ladies and gentlemen, representing various ages and walks of life, who cheerfully gave the use of their time and talents to the Institute in connection with these entertainments, the Board, and doubtless the Members, are most grateful ; and it cannot but be admitted that this evidence of the existence of public spirit in the community is very cheering.

Bostwick, C. M.
 Betts, Hiram
 Baird, W. T.
 Crookshank, Robert W.
 Christie, Alexander
 Christie, Dr. James
 Coholan, Dennis
 Chamberlain, Montague
 Crothers, Samuel
 Cowan, John
 Caldwell, Dr. George
 Cruikshank, Robert
 Court, William
 Chisholm, D. P.
 Christie, J. J.
 Cushing, Andre
 Caird, Charles
 Corbett, Donald
 Copp, John R.
 Collier, W. E.
 Clark, Clement P.
 Carvil, George
 Currie, Rev. D. D.
 Clark, W. W.
 Crawford, W. K.
 Coster, J. A.
 Creamore, Batholomew
 Coleman, Dr. W. F.
 Cory, Charles D.
 Daniel, Thomas W.
 Dole, W. P.
 Dodds, Andrew
 Dunn, James L.
 Drury, John
 Dunlop, Joseph K.
 DeMill, A. H.
 Dunn, R. C. J.
 Daly, Paul
 Dockrill, J. F.

Dickson, J. E. E.
 Everett, Charles A.
 Elder, Hon. William
 Earle, S. Z., M. D.
 Emerson, Robert B.
 Estey, T. Winslow
 Everett, Henry L.
 Estey, Fred. A.
 Everett, William C.
 Fisher, Edwin
 Fisher, George S.
 Fleming, James
 Furlong, Thomas
 Fowler, Dixon J.
 Ferguson, B. (Estate)
 Fairweather, G. E.
 Fairweather, Fred R.
 Finley, A.
 Fotheringham, Rev. T. F.
 Farren, William
 Fraser, John
 Fish, John A.
 Gilmour, Andrew
 Gerow, George W.
 Grant, J. Macgegor
 Gale, E. W.
 Hanford, Thomas
 Hannay, James
 Hayward, W. H.
 Hamm, J. B.
 Hanington, J. P.
 Hay, George U.
 Holly, Shadrack
 Hanington, Thomas B.
 Howe, John
 Horn, William H.
 Hatheway, Warren F.
 Hayward, Samuel
 Hay, Thomas L.

Hall, T.
 Hazen
 Harris
 Hardin
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 Hunt, I.
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 Irvine,
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 Jack, I.
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 Lee, R.
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Hall, Thomas H.
 Hazen, William
 Harrison, Jeremiah
 Harding, Dr. W. S.
 Horncastle, Joseph
 Hunt, E. V.
 Hutchinson, (Estate) W.
 Hetherington, Dr. Geo. A.
 Howe, Jonas
 Hale, J. S.
 Irvine, John E.
 Jordan, Samuel G.
 Jones, Hon. Thomas R.
 Jack, I. Allen
 Jack, Henry
 Jones, E. C.
 Jardine, Alexander C.
 Jordan, John M.
 Jones, Simeon
 Kinnaer, Charles F.
 Kain, Francis
 Knodell, G. A.
 Kaye, Edmund G.
 Kaye, J. Murray
 King, Hon. G. E.
 Kennedy, James
 King, S. T.
 Knox, James
 Kerr, John
 Longmaid, Richard
 Logan, Wm. J.
 Logan, William
 Lawrence, George C.
 Lee, Robert
 Law, Alexander
 Likely, Thomas
 Lynch, J. P.
 Lantalum, Edward
 Lordly, A. J.

Livingston, W. H.
 Lee, G. Herbert
 Lovett, A. W.
 Lee, Thomas W.
 Magee, John
 Murdoch, Gilbert
 Merritt, T. Gray
 Marvin, W. S.
 Marshall, Robert
 Marshall, John R.
 Moore, Edward R.
 Mathew, Geo. F.
 Mott, James A. S.
 Mills, Alfred
 Munro, J. J.
 Maxwell, W. H.
 Merritt, W. H.
 Majilton, Joseph A.
 Magee, W. C.
 Murray, A. S.
 March, John
 Melrose, Robert
 Milligan, James
 Murray, Christopher
 Myers, Jacob W.
 McGivern, Richard P.
 McAvity, Thomas
 McLaughlan, Mrs. Wm.
 McLaren, Dr. L.
 McLeod, Ezekiel
 McClelland, Thomas
 McLean, W. M.
 McCafferty, Francis
 McLeod, George
 McLeod, Howard D.
 McDonald, Mont.
 McArthur, R. D.
 McIntyre, Robert
 McDermott, Alexander





COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	1882.	1883.
EXPENDITURE.		
Light and Fuel,.....	\$ 570 03	\$ 538 66
Salaries,	658 32	700 00
Funded Debt,	505 52	680 06
Interest,	196 00	320 00
Lectures,	1,013 44	1,186 25
Reading Room,.....	120 41	121 13
Museum,	60 00
Building and Ground Rent,.....	359 38	375 05
Insurance,....	350 00	350 00
Library,	186 75	96 75
Hall,	299 96	68 66
Incidentals,	215 21	114 22
Balance of Cash on hand,....	414 67	352 15
	\$4,949 69	\$4,902 93
RECEIPTS.		
Cash Balance from previous Year,.....	133 04	414 67
Rents,	\$ 2,610 00	\$ 2,525 00
Members' Certificates,.....	60 00	58 00
Members' Tickets,.....	1,584 50	1,504 00
Donations, Miscellaneous, Catalogues, &c.,...	462 15	401 26
	\$4,949 69	\$4,902 93

The Auditors Report was not ready in time for publication.

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ABSTRACT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.*Expenditures for Year ending 31st March, 1883.*

Light and Fuel,.....	\$538 66
Salaries,.....	700 00
Funded Debt,.....	680 06
Interest,.....	320 00
Lectures,.....	1,186 25
Reading Room,.....	121 13
Building and Ground Rent,.....	375 05
Insurance,.....	350 00
Library,.....	96 75
Hall, (Repairs, &c.).....	68 66
Incidental Expenses,.....	114 22
Cash Balance 31st March, 1883,.....	352 15
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	\$4,902 93

Receipts for Year ending 31st March, 1883.

Cash Balance 31st March, 1882,.....	\$ 414 67
Rents,.....	2,525 00
Members' Certificates,.....	58 00
Members' Tickets,.....	1,504 00
Miscellaneous, (Catalogues, Dime Entertain- ments, &c.).....	401 26
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	\$4,902 93

ABSTRACT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

OF MECHANICS' INSTITUTE, MARCH 31, 1883.

ASSETS.

Building and Furniture, say.....	\$18,000 00
Museum,.....	3,650 00
Apparatus and Diagrams,.....	800 00
Library,.....	3,000 00
Cash Balance,.....	352 15
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LIABILITIES.

Debentures,.....	\$ 640 00
Building Society, (Monthly Loans,).....	781 64
Building Society, (Half Yearly Loans,).....	3,400 00
Orders to pay,.....	411 48
Balance,.....	20,569 03
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	\$25,802 15

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Thomas, George E.
 McMillian, James
 McPherson, John
 Maclellan, Thomas
 McFarlane, Rev. A. J.
 McMillian, Hon. John
 McAfee, Joseph
 Nase, Phillip
 Nicholson, John W.
 Noble, Isaac R.
 O'Brien, Richard
 Otty, Allen C.
 Outram, E. D.
 Patton, Robert
 Purchase, Wm. R.
 Peters, Alex. N.
 Peters, T. S.
 Potts, J. W.
 Potts, Thomas
 Pringle, Robert
 Powers, Mark N.
 Peters, B. Lester
 Peters, William
 Palmer, Hon. A. L.
 Price, James A.
 Peacock, George B.
 Parks, John H.
 Parks, William J.
 Peters, Charles H.
 Pender, James
 Perkins, E. L.
 Pullen, Jas. H.
 Parlee, William
 Pugsley, G. R.
 Payne, R. A.
 Peters, A. W.
 Peiler, Ernst
 Puddington, Mrs. R. E.
 Rankine, Thomas A.

Rankine, Alexander
 Robertson, Duncan
 Rankine, John
 Ritchie, Mrs. Geo.
 Reed, Thomas
 Rannie, William
 Reed, James
 Ritchie, Hon. R. J.
 Reynolds, James
 Riley, James M.
 Raymond, Thomas F.
 Roberts, Robert
 Robinson, Elias H.
 Rankine, Frank
 Read, Rev. John
 Rand, Stephen
 Stockton, A. A.
 Stodhart, Thomas
 Sinclair, Arch.
 Seely, D. J.
 Slipp, Joseph
 Starr, R. P.
 Smith, William M.
 Smith, Robert F.
 Smith, J. Willard
 Straton, James
 Shaw, James
 Sheraton, A. B.
 Smith, George F.
 Sears, John
 Stewart, Luke
 Stewart, John
 Stephens, F. T.
 Stockton, C. A.
 Somerville, T. H.
 Scott, William
 Seely, John
 Skinner, Hon. C. N.
 Thomas, James U.

Turnbull
 Theall,
 Tippet,
 Troop, I
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 Tufts, F
 Thorne,
 Truema
 Tapley,
 Tapley,
 Tarvis,
 Thomas
 Turner,
 Troop, C
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Turnbull, Charles G.
Theall, Miss
Tippet, A. P.
Troop, Howard D.
Thompson, Alex.
Tufts, Frank
Thorne, W. H.
Trueman, A. I.
Tapley, Aarchibald
Tapley, John
Tarvis, Jeremiah
Thomas, William
Turner, J. D.
Troop, O. V.
Venning, James A.
Whitney, George W.

Willet, David
Woodrow, James
Willet, John
Wilson, W. J.
Wright, John A.
Waterbury, Mrs. William
White, James A.
White, James E.
Wedderburn, Hon. Wm.
Wetmore, C. N.
Waters, Fred. W.
Wisdom, Freeman W.
Weldon, C. W.
Warner, Gen'l D. B.
Whiting, W. J.
Yeats, John