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OF THE
PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION
OF CANADA,
FOR 1883.

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NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Prisoners' Aid Association of Canada

148 BAY STREET,

FOR THE YEAR 1883.

WITH THE CONSTITUTION OF THE ASSOCIATION
AND LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS.



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Annual Meeting, January 17th, 1884.

RESOLUTIONS.

Moved by REV. JOHN BURTON, B. D., "That the reports of the various officers be taken as read, and that this meeting recognizes with deep satisfaction the helpful character of the work of the Association, and its steady development and advance in the direction of increased usefulness."

Moved by REV. PROFESSOR CLARK, M. A., "That it being essential to the success of the helpful work of the Association that "Branches" should be established in the principal cities and towns in the Province, so that discharged prisoners returning to their homes may find the beneficial influences of the Association still about them: RESOLVED, that this meeting would urge on Christian people in all important towns and cities to organize "Branch Associations" as promptly as possible.

Moved by REV. W. H. LAIRD, "That the uniform courtesy with which the officials of the Government and the various prisons have extended to the officers and teachers of the Association deserve our most cordial thanks, and they would more especially mention in this connection, R. Christie, Esq., Inspector of Prisons, James Massie, Esq., Warden of the Central Prison, Mrs. O'Reilly and Mrs. Laird of the Andrew Mercer Reformatory, and John Green, Esq., Governor of Toronto Jail.

Moved by Rev. A. H. BALDWIN, "That the thanks of this meeting be given to the Parliament of this Province for their recognition of the work by a grant which has enabled the Association to make most important steps in advance, especially in the direction of providing work immediately, on their own premises, for discharged Prisoners, which they are seldom able to obtain for themselves at the time of their discharge.

RESOLVED: "That the following officers be appointed for 1884:"

PRESIDENT:

HON. S. H. BLAKE, Q.C.

VICE-PRESIDENTS:

HON. EDWARD BLAKE.

CLARKE GAMBLE, Q.C.

DR. HODGINS.

SUTHERLAND STAYNER, ESQ.

A. FARLEY, ESQ.

JOHN HOSKIN, Q.C.

JOHN MACDONALD, ESQ.

W. B. MCMURRICH, ESQ.

A. D. STEWART, ESQ.

TREASURER:

A. M. ROSEBRUGH, M.D.

SECRETARY:

SAMUEL E. ROBERTS.

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PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

IN pursuance of their annual custom, the Prisoners' Aid Association beg now to submit their report for the year 1883.

This report will show that substantial progress has been made and tangible results secured.

The objects of the Association, as defined by its constitution, are "The reformation of offenders, their welfare when discharged, the prevention of crime, and prison reform."

The means employed by this Association for the accomplishment of these objects are (citing them in the order of their establishment):

1st. A mission in the Jail, working by means of Sunday school classes; evangelistic addresses, and personal intercourse with the prisoners.

2nd. A similar mission in the Central Prison.

3rd. A similar mission in the Andre v Mercer Reformatory for Women.

4th. The maintenance of a Central Office in the city, as a place of call and shelter for prisoners after their discharge.

5th. The employment of an Agent, whose time is wholly devoted to the interests of prisoners.

6th. The maintenance of a Night School in the Central Prison, for the purpose of imparting the first elements of a Secular Education.

7th. The employment of a Prison Evangelist.

8th. The employment of a Bible Woman, to visit the families of prisoners.

In addition to the reports from those in charge of the several departments, the following information is submitted :

THE TORONTO JAIL.

The Association commenced its operations in the Toronto Jail in the year 1868. The first executive meeting recorded was held on the 16th of December, 1870. From that time until now the work in the Jail has been maintained without intermission. The work differs from that in the Central Prison, from the fact that no prisoners are confined in the Jail for a long period. Prisoners are seldom detained longer than one month, hence it is almost impossible to do more than hold religious services every Sunday. Most of the prisoners are taken from the very lowest stratum of society, and in the majority of cases it is safe to say, that but for the religious instruction given in the Jail, they would never hear the truths of the Gospel. The Jail is outside the city limits, on the hill beyond the Don. The service is held every Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. At its own expense, the Association provides a cab for the ladies engaged in this work ; the gentlemen walk both to and from the Jail. The executive feel that nothing but an earnest zeal for the work could induce the friends to so persistently maintain such an arduous duty. The average attendance of teachers is nine.

THE CENTRAL PRISON.

The aim of the Government of Ontario in the establishment of the Central Prison was to have a place where male prisoners, whose sentences were sufficiently long, could be gathered together and their time utilized by some industrial occupation, instead of remaining idle in small prisons in different parts of the Province.

Upon the completion of the building, the Association, having obtained permission from the Government, commenced the mission, which has been continued ever since. The first service was held on the 7th of June, 1874.

It is in this prison, and in the Andrew Mercer Reformatory, that the Association finds its most productive field of usefulness. Week after week the prisoners meet with the same teachers, and thus a kindly intercourse is kept up, sympathy is felt and expressed, and undoubted testimony can be given of the abiding character of the work which has been accomplished.

THE ANDREW MERCER REFORMATORY FOR WOMEN AND
REFUGE FOR GIRLS.

This much needed and most valuable institution was opened in the summer of 1880. Only those who were acquainted with the character and condition of the female prisoners confined for short and frequent periods in the Toronto Jail, can fully estimate the value of this Reformatory. Managed as it is entirely by ladies, it exercises a gentle restraining influence, so that many who were once openly wicked, coarse and defiant, are now to be seen "clothed and in their right mind." This institution has done a good work, and is destined to accomplish still more in the days to come. There is connected with it a Refuge for young girls, which will doubtless be the means of rescuing many from a life of sin and shame.

Working under the auspices of the Association, by the same methods which have been found effective in the Central Prison, a mission conducted by lady teachers has been carried on from the commencement. The report which will be found herewith, gives details of the work, which are most encouraging.

The Association has been much aided by the kindness and courtesy of the officials in all three prisons.

Encouraged by a grant of \$1000 from the Ontario Government, for this and other purposes afterwards detailed, the Association has established a night school in the Central Prison. This work was commenced on the 9th day of April, 1883. On that occasion there were assembled 57 men. Of these, 37 were unable to read or write, 4 could read but could not write, 11 could both read and

write and work the first four rules of arithmetic, and 11 whose education had been carried further. By the Warden's arrangement, the attendance of the men is made contingent upon their good behaviour at other times. The teaching is for secular subjects only. Further details of this work, which the grant from the Government enabled us to undertake, will be found in Mr. Pritchard's report herewith.

During the year, the Association has acquired the house 148 Bay street, and in doing this and in the cost of repairs to fit it for the purposes required, have expended about \$1000. It is this step which has enabled the Association to extend and consolidate the work, and so present the results of their operations in a more tangible form than they have heretofore been able to do. The Association's Agent, Mr. E. Taylor, resides upon the premises, and the place is used as a house of call by prisoners on their discharge. At certain hours in the morning of every day, the Agent is there to meet with any who may desire his help or counsel. This help and counsel is given in many ways, but chiefly in the direction of supplying pressing temporal necessities, food, shelter and clothing, forwarding to destination, and most important and difficult of all, in securing employment for them.

During the past year *employment was found for*, and assistance given to, 728 discharged prisoners. Further details and statistics in this connection will be found in the Agent's report.

It has always been difficult to keep a proper oversight of the men who applied for and received the help of the Association. The old plan of giving money or meals and locating the men in some of the cheap boarding houses of the city, was found to be most unsatisfactory. The possession of the property on Bay street has enabled us to establish the "Howard Broom Factory." The object being to avoid or minimize the evils alluded to, and at the same time provide a test for the sincerity and industry of those applying for aid. The men are lodged and fed, *work* being exacted from them in return. Meanwhile efforts are made to obtain employment suitable for the different cases.

In a similar institution in New York, founded by Mr. Michael Dunn, no less than 1122 men passed through the home in twelve months. The Factory is found to be not only self-sustaining, but shows a small margin of profit beyond the actual cost of maintenance.

It is scarcely to be expected that, in our smaller sphere, we should be able to show so good a result; nevertheless, the indications since the commencement of this portion of our work are, that the Factory will be self-sustaining. If this result is obtained, it will suggest the solution of one of the gravest social problems of the day.

From the Treasurer's report it will be seen that many of the Municipalities have responded to the appeal of the Association and sent us subscriptions, thus acknowledging the responsibility arising from the fact that so many prisoners from other places remain in Toronto and are cared for by our Association. This report will also show what, at first sight, appears to be a somewhat large expenditure for cab hire. It should be remembered that both the Central Prison and the Andrew Mercer Reformatory are at a great distance from the centre of the city, and that this expenditure provides for the conveyance of the clergymen who conduct the regular week-day services at the two prisons, and also for the conveying of from 40 to 60 teachers every Sunday. With the most careful management, the committee are not able to confine the cost of this item within the amount allowed by the Government for this purpose.

The expenditure of the Association for 1883 has amounted to about \$3000. With this sum the Association has been enabled to perform the following services :

Meals, lodging, etc., given to discharged prisoners..	3160
Articles of clothing given to do.	338
Number of persons relieved, or for whom employment has been found, or who have been sent out of the city, fares in many cases being paid by the Association	728

The establishment and maintenance of the home.

The establishment of the Broom Factory.

The Salaries of the various Agents before mentioned.

Surely all will admit that a great work is being accomplished with very moderate expenditure.

The committee regret that the efforts made to establish "Branch" Associations have not been successful, but they feel that enough has been done to justify them in saying that "substantial progress has been made and tangible results secured." Never before in the history of the Association have we been able to reach so large a number, or feel so confident of the solidity of the work. The evils we strive to mitigate are deeply rooted in our social life, the claims of many prisoners are just and urgent, and while it is acknowledged that the tendency of the present day is to give these claims that attention which they demand, still we know that the need is very great, that a more intimate acquaintance with the cause and consequence of crime is wanted, and that over and above all we need a larger measure of the spirit of Christ, as expressed by his fellowship with sin and suffering. "This man receiveth sinners and eateth with them." "Whenever Christ came in contact and dealt with the criminal, it was in a spirit full of tenderness and love. He clearly drew the distinction between sin and the sinner. For the sinner he had nothing but infinite compassion," while he denounced the sin in most uncompromising terms. We appeal to the Christian community for their material help, and for their moral support, and we earnestly ask them to show by the service they render, that while they are called by the name of Christ they are not barren of his spirit of tenderness and love.

SAMUEL E. ROBERTS,
Hon. Sec.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE JAIL MISSION.

During the past twelve months the Christian work in connection with the Prisoners' Aid Association in the Jail, has been carried on regularly week by week, without any unusual circumstances calling for special notice.

The Sabbath morning service has been regularly held and the quiet respectful attention of those present has been, and is, a matter worthy of notice, and aids very much the work of the teachers. At this service we have used the lessons known as the International series. The teachers during the past year have not been without encouraging testimony of good having been accomplished, and we believe some of the prisoners have been lead to see their lost condition and have found salvation through faith in Christ.

The average number of prisoners present at the Sabbath morning service during the past year was forty, and the average number of teachers, nine. Besides the regular session of the school in the chapel, a service has been held nearly every Sabbath morning in one of the corridors, and in this way we have sought to reach those who according to the rules of the jail are not permitted to assemble in the chapel. The hospitals of the jail have also been visited by one or more of the teachers, and the Word spoken to many suffering ones with very encouraging results.

By the kindness of some of our friends we have been able to distribute amongst the prisoners a large number of religious tracts and papers, which are always eagerly sought after by them, and we have no doubt these silent messengers have carried the truth to many enquiring hearts.

Looking back over the past year we are thankful for the little that has been done to lead the lost ones to the Saviour, and take courage for the work of the year already begun, trusting in the promises of God for blessing, and leaving the results of the word in the care of our Heavenly Father.

Respectfully submitted,

C. JOSELIN,
Supt. of the Jail Mission.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL PRISON S. SCHOOL.

The work during the past year has been more than usually encouraging.

A deeper interest appears to have been awakened in the men, and the teachers feel much more confident of the successful result of their labors among them, than during any previous year in which I have been privileged to labor in the school.

The work accomplished by the night school that has been introduced into the Prison, has also been very helpful to us in our efforts.

The stoppage of the tobacco formerly supplied to the prisoners is also a matter of rejoicing with us.

The number of men in attendance at the school this year is considerably less than during the past year. The average attendance of teachers continues about the same.

We mourn the loss of a faithful teacher, Mr. Julius Zalen, who has been removed by death from our midst.

We once more desire to thank the Warden and other officers of the Prison for their courtesy and assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMILTON CASSELS,
Superintendent.

9th January, 1884.

SABBATH SCHOOL, ANDREW MERCER
REFORMATORY.

THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

Nothing specially new or important has occurred during the year, in connection with the work at the Andrew Mercer Reformatory. The weekly sessions of the school were held without intermission, and the teachers have been encouraged by the regular and orderly attendance of the inmates, the average being, adults, forty-one, children from the Refuge, twenty-one. The teachers number twenty, with an average attendance of fourteen.

As in previous years, the International scheme of Sabbath school lessons has been used, together with the reading and recitation of portions of God's Word. Besides the regular teaching in the classes, the superintendent, and lady superintendent, have conversed, individually, with any who have desired to speak with them, visiting, also, the corridors, cells and hospital, and they have reason to believe that their efforts in these departments have not unfrequently been a means of blessing to those with whom they have come in contact.

Eleven inmates have been met on the morning of their discharge, by the teachers, and were placed either in situations, lodgings, the Haven, or Magdalen Asylum. At least, two of this number have returned to the institution, four have done remarkably well, two fairly well, and of the remainder we have no trace. Besides these eleven, eight have, immediately on their discharge, been admitted to the Haven, and three a week or more after their discharge; one, only, of this number has behaved herself creditably; other two have had several situations, and again within the past fortnight been encouraged to make another trial. It is but just to the teachers to state, in view of the smallness of the number of those doing well, who have been discharged in their care, or who have been admitted to charitable institutions, that this discouraging result is accounted for by the fact that almost all the promising cases are appropriated as servants by householders, previous to their discharge from the institution.

The Prisoners' Aid Association, and the teachers, have assisted five married women to commence housekeeping when discharged. Three of these are maintaining themselves respectably, two have fallen into old habits, but, so far, have managed to keep from being arrested. One of the five mentioned, was some months ago received into the membership of one of the Presbyterian churches in the city, and last Sunday evening two young women, both discharged a few months ago, occupied the pew of one of the teachers in the same church. Several of the discharged inmates attend the weekly Bible class of the Association, held at the rooms, 148 Bay street, also the evangelistic services conducted by the superintendent on Chestnut street.

Correspondence between a number of those who have returned to friends and the teachers, is regular and frequent. By this means we have learned of the marriage of two discharged during the year, one in the vicinity of Belleville, the other west of

Toronto. We have pleasure in recording the marriage, in our city, of four young women, former inmates of the Reformatory. These have good husbands and pleasant homes, they attend religious services regularly, and there is every expectation, that they will eventually become useful, respectable and christian women. Two of those discharged in past years have continued to correspond with the teachers, both are living in good situations in towns east of Toronto. One poor young girl was, on her discharge, admitted to the General Hospital, through the influence and effort of one of the teachers, who visits her regularly in that institution.

In some instances situations have been secured for discharged inmates from the Roman Catholic department, it has been impossible, however, for the teachers to follow up these cases.

The school has been adressed from time to time by Christian friends interested in the work, and these addresses have invariably been listened to with marked attention. Through the kindness of the Upper Canada Bible Society, the teachers were in a position to distribute to each inmate, in both Reformatory and Refuge, a copy of the Holy Scriptures at Christmas, which was accompanied with a very pretty Christmas card, having inscribed upon it an appropriate text of scripture, the gift of the teachers. The Tract Society has supplied us with a quantity of selected christian literature, which has been greatly appreciated by the inmates. Thanks are also due the Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. for a number of copies of the "Bulletin," and to the committee of the Hospital for Sick Children for several packets of illustrated religious papers.

We would, also, express our gratitude to the ladies of the Flower Mission, for their thoughtful remembrance of our work at the Christmas season.

As in past years, Miss Rawlinson and Miss Sams have greatly assisted in making our services both attractive and profitable, by leading our service of praise.

The teachers have been much strengthened in their work by the sympathy and co-operation of the officers of the institution, and they desire to embrace this opportunity of recording their appreciation of the marked kindness which they have invariably received at their hands.

We cannot speak too highly of the scope and work of the Industrial Home for Girls, and we look forward with satisfaction to the time when large numbers of the destitute and uncared-for

children of the province, will find in this well conducted institution a *home*, where they will be subjected to wholesome discipline, systematic training, and spiritual influences, and through *these* become useful members of society.

Attention is respectfully directed to the want of more thorough classification in the Reformatory, and to the fact that many of the sentences are noticeably *short*, in comparison with others. Short sentences are generally unproductive of results, and the teachers have unitedly desired that this matter should be brought under the notice of the Association.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might," has been the motto of our teachers during the year, and they cheerfully leave the results of their work in the hands of Him who has commanded us to sow beside all waters, and who well knoweth which shall prosper, that sown in the morning or in the evening, or whether both shall be alike good.

W. H. HOWLAND, *Superintendent.*

L. J. HARVIE, *Lady Supt.*

F. MATHER, *Secretary.*

TO THE PRESIDENT, PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION.

In accordance with the usual custom of your Agent, I now beg to present the annual report of the past year's work.

From the office records of 1883, I find that we have assisted or obtained employment for 728 discharged prisoners, 3160 meals and lodging have been given, and 338 articles of clothing distributed. Tools and materials have been provided whenever deemed necessary to enable men to earn an honest living. Where the addresses could be obtained, the family of every prisoner belonging to the city has been visited and assisted when necessary, their children (the innocent and too often the greatest sufferers) being the objects of our special care.

It gives me much pleasure to be able to say, that, the industry recently established in connection with our home, is progressing satisfactorily, and will be (I believe) self-sustaining and a source of great and lasting good. We opened our little factory on the 10th of December, 1883, with three men, and have never had less, the highest number in the home at any one time being seven, and

the daily average five. The men are fed and lodged in the house, and as a compensation for their lodging and food, they are required to be busy all day in making brooms, until suitable employment is found for them elsewhere. All the men are required to obey the rules of the house in every particular. They are encouraged to spend their evenings in reading, and to attend the regular religious meetings which are held on two evenings of every week. If any man will not work, or if he drinks, or lies, or is determined to do wrong and will not be persuaded to do right, he is of necessity, not allowed to remain in the house. Since commencing this work, we have made on an average 15 dozen brooms per week.

Another new and encouraging feature, is, that several of the ex-prisoners have placed small sums (saved from their earnings) for safe keeping in my hands, to the amount of \$60.

I have advanced the ex-prisoners, by way of loans, to enable them to begin housekeeping, or to start them in some small way of business, the sum of \$268.97, of which \$121.50 have been already repaid.

I would take this opportunity to thank those ladies and gentlemen who so kindly responded to my appeal for cast off clothing, and gratefully acknowledge the receipt of parcels from Mesdames Rose, Alexander, E. A. Meredith, Thos. Hodgins, Cook, Carrier, H. Thorne, Code, Manton, and Messrs. H. Cassels, Pomeroy and Hughes. I desire further to thank those who have so kindly promised to lay aside for us, any article of clothing for which they have no further use, and assure them, that however small the parcel, I will gladly and gratefully call for it on receipt of postal card at the office, 148 Bay street. Clothing for adults and children being much needed, particularly at this season of the year.

I desire to acknowledge with much thankfulness the kind courtesy and assistance, I at all times receive from the officials at the Jail and Central Prison, which greatly enhance the pleasure and efficiency of my labor amongst the inmates of those institutions.

I am much indebted to the Upper Canada Bible Society for the generous and gratuitous supply of tracts for distribution in the prisons; and also to Mr. Sandham, Sec. Y.M.C.A., for the regular supply of the "Bulletin," and for parcels of old periodicals, which are eagerly and thankfully received by the prisoners.

The labors of the past year have been crowned with many encouraging results, inspiring renewed zeal for the future, and humble confidence that our feeble efforts are owned and blessed of God.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD TAYLOR, *Agent.*

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL PRISON SCHOOL.

To the President, Vice-Presidents, and Members of the Prisoners' Aid Association, Toronto.

GENTLEMEN,—

It must have been a matter of surprise to most of us, that in a country where we find *the school* occupying so prominent a place in our Legislature and Municipal enactments, yet there should have been an institution like the Central Prison of this Province in our midst, established, I believe, as much with the view of reforming as punishing the criminal classes, where upon our Sunday visits, we found so many confined who were unable to read or write, without any provision being made therein for supplying the necessary education. But thanks to your Association, that state of things exists no longer, for, on the 9th of April, 1883, a school was established in that institution, of which I was appointed by your executive committee to take the charge. I am happy to be able to report to you this evening, that 141 men have since that time availed themselves of the privilege extended to them by the Warden, 46 names being on the present month's roll, and the average class attendance ranges between 40 and 50 men. I believe that all, with the possible exception of four or five at the most, have faithfully endeavored to the best of their ability, opportunities and means, to profit by the instruction given them, and I am glad to say that up to the present time I have not had occasion to make one complaint. I do not presume to think I can fairly claim all the credit for the school, but I mention it here, as incidental thereto, that men are repeatedly thanking me for attending, and among the exercises regularly handed in, I find such sentences as this, "This is the first letter that ever I wrote, when I came here I could not write at all;" and am constantly hearing the expression, "I think I am getting on nicely at school." It is my endeavor to make the instruction as practical as possible, chiefly confining it to what are commonly known as the three Rs., no question of nationality or creed is asked, the privilege is alike open to all who desire, and will try to profit by, the instruction, and against whom there are no black marks recorded in the ordinary books of the Prison.

I cannot close my report without acknowledging the kindness and support I have received from the Warden and other officers of the Prison with whom I have had to do, especially have I to thank Guard Hartley, who was at its inception set apart as school room guard, without whose able assistance in taking a class, I could scarcely have hoped to have attained so much.

Respectfully submitted,

J. J. PRITCHARD.

Toronto, January 7th, 1884.

THE PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.—This Association shall be called the PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION OF CANADA, and its central point of operation shall be the city of Toronto.

ART. II.—The object of this Association shall be the reformation of offenders from time to time confined in the Penitentiaries, Prisons and Jails of the Dominion of Canada and of the several Provinces thereof during the period of confinement, and their welfare when discharged; the prevention of crime; and prison reform. For the furtherance of these ends it shall endeavour to organize similar Associations throughout Canada, and these Associations shall bear the name of "The Branch of the Prisoners' Aid Association of Canada," and shall report their work to this Association annually, on or before the first day of November in each year.

ART. III.—The means to be employed shall be (*a*) The establishment of Sunday schools in the Penitentiaries, Prisons and Jails; (*b*) the personal visitation of prisoners both before and after their discharge, (*c*) the supply of pecuniary and other material aid to discharged prisoners, (*d*) the dissemination of information likely to promote the objects of the Association, (*e*) the use of all proper methods for the successful attainment of the objects of the Association.

ART. IV.—All Christian workers who are actively engaged in the Sunday Schools of the Association, and each person paying

one dollar annually, through a Branch or directly to the Treasurer, shall be members of the Association. The payment of \$25 by one person at one time, shall constitute a life membership.

ART. V.—Funds shall be sought by grant from the Dominion and the several Provincial Governments, and from the several County and City Councils and other Municipal Corporations, and by subscription from the Christian public.

ART. VI.—The business of the Association shall be carried on by a Board of Managers, to consist of a President, Vice-Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, and the Superintendents of the several Sunday Schools of the Association.

ART. VII.—The President, eight Vice-Presidents, the Treasurer, and the Secretary shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association, and shall hold office for one year, or until the appointment of their successors.

ART. VIII.—Any vacancy in the offices mentioned in the last preceding article, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Managers until the next annual meeting of the Association held thereafter, by the vote of a majority present at any regular meeting of the Board, or at any meeting of the Board specially called for the purpose by notice in writing given at least two days previously.

ART. IX.—The President of every Branch Association shall be ex-officio a Vice-President of this Association.

ART. X.—The Superintendents of the Sunday Schools shall be elected by the teachers of the respective schools.

ART. XI.—At any meeting of the Association or of the Board of Managers, the President, or in his absence, the Vice-President first upon the list then present, or in the absence of such Vice-President, such member as shall be chosen for that purpose, shall preside.

ART. XII.—The Treasurer shall receive and hold an account of all moneys given to the Association, and shall disburse them as the Board of Managers shall direct. His annual report shall be examined by two Auditors, to be appointed by the Board.

ART. XIII.—The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Association, conduct all correspondence, give proper notice of all stated and special meetings, and prepare the annual report of the Association.

ART. XIV.—The Superintendents of the several Sunday Schools shall be responsible to the Association for the correct conduct and carrying on of the respective schools under their charge, and shall annually report to the Association.

ART. XV.—The Board of Managers shall have the general oversight and direction of all the work of the Association, the hiring and discharging of officers, agents and servants of the Association, and the management of all its property, real and personal. It shall meet at Toronto, at least once in each month, and as many times oftener as the Board may by resolution direct.

It shall frame all rules requisite to effect the objects of the Association, and shall have power to act for and on behalf of the Association in all matters within the scope of the Association. Three members shall form a quorum.

ART. XVI.—The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held at Toronto, on the second Tuesday in January of every year, or at such other time as the Board of Managers for the time being may deem best for the interests of the Association. Ten members shall form a quorum.

ART. XVII.—A special meeting of the Association may be called at any time by the President, upon the request of three members of the Board of Managers.

ART. XVIII.—No alteration shall be made in this Constitution, except at a general meeting of the Association, and after one month's notice of the proposed alteration has been given to the Board of Managers.

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CONSTITUTION FOR A BRANCH OF THE PRISONERS
AID ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

ARTICLE I.—This Association shall be called the BRANCH OF THE PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION OF CANADA.

ART. II.—Its object shall be to aid the General Association in the attainment of the ends for which it has been constituted.

ART. III.—Any person may become a member of this Association by the payment of one dollar annually.

ART. IV.—The officers of this Association shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. V.—The President shall preside at all meetings and have a general oversight of the work.

ART. VI.—It shall be the duty of the Secretary to record the proceedings of the Association, give notice of meetings, and prepare the annual report. He shall also keep the General Association informed of the condition of the Branch, and forward a list of officers with the report and the Treasurer's statement.

ART. VII.—The Treasurer's duty shall be to report the state of the treasury at every meeting, and to remit, after paying the expenses of the Branch, the balance of the funds, yearly, to the Treasurer of the General Association, on or before the first of November.

ART. VIII.—This Association shall hold regular stated meetings, when all suitable measures shall be adopted to promote interest in the work of the Association ; also an annual meeting, to elect officers and hear the annual report.

MEMORANDUM.

Any rules relating to the local affairs of the Association may be adopted, provided they do not conflict with the Constitution and rules of the General Association.

PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION,

IN ACCOUNT WITH A. M. ROSEBRUGH, M.D., TREASURER.

Receipts and Disbursements for 12 months ending 31st December, 1883.

DR.

To Balance on hand Jan'y 1st, 1883.....	\$ 497 92
" Subscriptions, 1883.....	\$ 723 00
" Loans returned.....	103 10
" Annual Grant from Co. York, 1883.....	75 00
" " " " Toronto, 1883.....	300 00
" Donations from Counties, as per list.....	325 00
" Collection at Annual Meeting.....	33 13
Less discount \$1.25, unpaid subscription \$14.....	1543 98
Government account receipts—	
To Ontario Government Grant for 1883.....	1000 00
" Special for cabs.....	700 00
	1700 00
	<u>\$3741 90</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

	By purchase money and legal expenses	\$ 532 35
	" Improvements to building.....	397 25
	" Rent, 3 months, \$60.00 ; Insurance, \$20.00.....	80 00
1883.	" Salaries	514 37
	" Cabs to jail.....	75 50
	" Sunday School lesson sheets, hymns, tracts, &c....	31 15
	" Printing account.....	59 25
	" Advertising, &c.....	17 40
497 92	" Fuel, Light, and Stationery	51 47
		\$1758 74

Government account disbursements—

	By Teachers to Central Prison.....	427 50
	" " to Female Reformatory.....	241 50
	" Preaching service, Central Prison.....	96 00
	" " " Female Reformatory.....	123 00
543 98	" Aid to Prisoners.	750 54
	" Evening School (secular)	60 41
	" Broom Industry.....	66 06
		1765 01
	Total balance on hand.....	219 15

\$3741 90

700 00

741 90

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 1883.

Allan, A. A. & Co.	\$ 2 00	Cooke, Mrs.	\$ 1 00
Alexander, W.	2 00	Carthy, Miss.	1 00
Allan, Hon. G. W.	2 00	Campbell, Jas.	1 00
Allen, Thos.	5 00	Cooper, Miss.	1 00
Aikenhead & Crombie.	2 00	Cavan, Rev. W.	1 00
Allan, Hon. G. W.	100 00	Coleman, Geo.	1 00
Adams, W. S.	2 00	Carlyle W.	1 00
Bleasdel, W. H. & Co.	2 00	Cash.	1 00
Brayley, James & Co.	1 00	Copp, Clark & Co.	2 00
Bull, P. S.	1 00	Cayley, Rev. J. D.	2 00
Burden, H.	1 00	Cameron, John.	2 00
Bell, J.	50	Chief Justice Hagarty.	10 00
Beaty, R.	1 00	Caldecott, Burton & Co.	10 00
Bryce, McMurrich & Co.	4 00	Darling, A. B. J. & Co.	2 00
Brodie, J.	1 00	Davis, Robt.	2 00
Bigelow & Morison.	1 00	Dixon, Mrs. Homer.	5 00
Boyd Bros. & Co.	2 00	Davis, Thos.	5 00
Beaty, Chadwick & Co.	2 00	Dun, Wiman & Co.	3 00
Brown, Wm.	2 00	Davis, Wm.	2 00
Brown Bros.	2 00	Dewart, Rev. E. H.	1 00
Boddy, Rev. S. W.	1 00	Dixon, H.	1 00
Brown, John.	2 00	Elliot & Co.	5 00
Brown, Mrs. Geo.	2 00	Eby, Blain & Co.	2 00
Baldwin, Mrs. E.	4 00	Eaton & Co.	1 00
Baldwin, Rev. H. G.	2 00	Flint, A. B.	50
Blake, Kerr, Lash & Cassels.	20 00	Fisken, John.	5 00
Brown, J. & P.	1 00	Fenton, F.	10 00
Ball, F. A.	5 00	Friend.	1 00
Baldwin, Rev. R.	10 00	Flett, Lowndes & Co.	1 00
Boys, Rev. A.	3 00	Friend (P. C. A.)	50
Bishop of Toronto.	5 00	Friend (Mrs. E.)	1 00
Canada Paper Co.	1 00	Friend (Mr. B.)	1 00
Campbell & Sons.	2 00	Friend (S. & Son)	25
Childs, Charlesworth & Co.	1 00	Friend (Mrs. H.)	50
Crombie, Crombie & Wornell.	1 00	Friend (Mrs. R.)	1 00
Cassels, P. W.	1 00	Friend (M. T. W.)	2 00
Cuthbert, R.	50	Green, G. G.	2 00
Cox & Worts.	1 00	Goodhall, J.	1 00
Castle, Rev. J. H.	1 00	Gillespie, Mead & Co.	2 00

	Gooderham, Mrs. R.	\$ 4 00	Kent, Mrs.	\$ 1 00
	Good, J.	1 00	Kilgour Bros.	5 00
	Gooderham, Henry.	5 00	Kent Bros.	1 00
	Gooderham, Mrs. G.	5 00	Kay, John	2 00
	Gooderham, Mrs. Jas.	2 00	Kent, J.	4 00
	Gooderham, Mrs. A.	2 00	Kent, H.	1 00
\$ 1 00	Goulding & Son.	2 00	Keer, Maj.-Gen.	1 00
1 00	Gzowski & Buchan	5 00	Lockhart, Jas. & Co.	1 00
1 00	Gamble, Clark.	4 00	Lukes, Dagge & Co.	1 00
1 00	Gooderham, G. W.	5 00	L. J. S.	1 00
1 00	Grasett, Dr. F. LeM.	1 00	Lyman, Mrs. John	1 00
1 00	Grasett, Mrs.	3 00	Lyon, Mrs.	50
1 00	Gordon & Helliwell.	5 00	Leys, Mrs. J.	1 00
1 00	Gowens, J. W.	1 00	Livingstone & Johnson.	2 00
2 00	Gregg, Rev. W.	1 00	Langmuir, M.	1 00
2 00	Gzowski, Col.	5 00	Lynan Bros.	5 00
2 00	Galbraith, W.	2 00	Lowden & Co.	1 00
10 00	Gooderham, Wm.	100 00	Leadley E.	5 00
10 00	Howland, H. S. & Son.	2 00	Lake, J. N.	1 00
2 00	Hallam, J.	1 00	Laidley, Thos. & Co.	2 00
2 00	Higgins, David.	1 00	Lee, Walter S.	2 00
5 00	Hunter, R. J.	1 00	Leys, John.	1 00
5 00	Howitt, Dr.	1 00	Lesslie, Jas., Eglington.	10 00
3 00	Hutchinson, Henry	2 00	Massie, James.	5 00
2 00	Hoskin, John	5 00	Mara, H. S.	50
1 00	Hay, R. & Co.	1 00	Minto Bro. & Co.	1 50
1 00	Hooper, C. E.	1 00	Morris, Hon. A.	5 00
5 00	Howland, W. H.	5 00	Macdonnell, Rev. D. J.	2 00
2 00	Hillock & Kent.	2 00	McKeown, E.	25
1 00	Howland, O. A.	2 00	Myers, A.	1 00
50	Harvie, John.	1 00	Mason, Mrs. A.	1 00
5 00	Howard, A. McL.	2 00	McLean, D. M.	2 00
10 00	Harrison, G.	1 00	McMurrich, W. B.	5 00
1 00	H.	25	Mathews, W. D.	2 00
1 00	Howland, Sir W. P.	1 00	Moss, Falconbridge & Barwick	5 00
50	Howland, W. H.	100 00	McCall, D. & Co.	5 00
1 00	Irvine, A. S.	1 00	Mowat, Hon. O.	5 00
1 00	Jaffray, R.	2 00	Matherson, H.	1 00
25	Jones Bros. & Mackenzie.	5 00	Morphy, E. M.	2 00
50	Jacques, John	2 00	Matthews Bros & Co.	1 00
1 00	Judge Cameron.	5 00	Mason & Risch.	2 00
2 00	Judge Patterson.	4 00	McMaster, Hon. W.	5 00
2 00	Kanady, S. C.	1 00	Macdonald, John.	10 00
1 00	Kerr, Geo., Jr.	1 00	Murray, W. A. & Co.	1 00
2 00	Kingstone, F. W.	1 00	McBean, Mrs.	2 00

Magill, W.....	\$ 1 00	Sloan, Jardine & Mason.....	\$ 5 00
MacLaren, Rev. W	1 00	Stanway, Geo	1 00
"Mail" Co.	5 00	Smith, A. M.....	5 00
Moffatt, Col.....	1 00	Storm, W. G.....	2 00
Mulock, W	3 00	Steele Bros. & Co.....	4 00
Mason, Jas.	1 00	Sutherland, Rev. A.....	2 00
Mason, J. H.	2 00	Strathy, Mr. (Barrie).....	5 00
Massie, H. A	1 00	Smith, Rev. J.....	1 00
McCausland, J.....	1 00	St. Peter's S. School	10 00
Nelson, H. A. & Son.....	10 00	Samson, Kennedy & Gemmell	2 00
Northrop & Lyman.....	2 00	Torrance G.....	1 00
Nairn, Mrs. A.....	1 00	Taylor, J. & J.....	1 00
Nixon, Mrs	10 00	Thorne, Mrs. H.....	1 00
Osler, E. B	1 00	Trust & Loan Co.....	1 00
Oldright, Dr.	2 00	Thompson, T. & Son.....	2 00
Ogden, W. W., M.D.....	2 00	Temple, Dr.....	1 00
Ogilvy & Co	2 00	Taylor, Sam.....	2 00
O'Brien, Henry.....	5 00	Topp, Mrs.	2 00
Pellatt, H.....	5 00	Tomlinson, R. W.....	1 00
Pellatt, Mrs. H. M.....	1 00	Taylor Bros.....	3 00
Peters, Chas	50	T. G. & Co	50
Parsons, Rev. H. M.....	1 00	Thompson, W. & Co.....	2 00
Perkins, Ince & Co.....	5 00	T. B	50
Pearson, Rev. John.....	1 00	Vicars, Rev. Johnstone	1 00
Petley & Petley... ..	1 00	Verral, Geo.....	5 00
Pearson, W. H.	2 00	Warwick, W. & Son	1 00
Perkins, Fred	5 00	Woltz Bros. & Co.....	1 00
Reid, Chas.....	2 00	White & Co.....	1 00
Rogers, W. B	50	West, W.....	25
Ross, Miss.....	1 00	Worts, Mrs	2 00
Ritchie, Mrs. J.....	1 00	Wickens, Mrs. R.	1 00
Roddy, R.....	1 00	Watts, Mrs. J. A.	1 00
Rice Lewis & Son.....	5 00	Wilkes, Mrs. M	2 00
Rowsell, Henry	4 00	Walker, R. & Sons.....	5 00
Robinson, C.....	5 00	Wylde, Brock & Darling ..	5 00
Rogers, J. H.	5 00	Woodhouse, Thos	1 00
Rogers, E. & Co.....	2 00	Wright, Geo., Dr.	2 00
Stark Bros.....	1 00	White, Joselin & Co.....	5 00
Samuel & Benjamin.....	2 00	Warren Bros. & Boomer....	2 00
Sanson, Rev. Alex.....	1 00	Woodhouse, J. J.....	1 00
Sills, Mrs. G. F	1 00	Wordley, W. M	1 00
Stephenson, Edward	4 00	Wickson, Hy.....	2 00
Smith, Goldwin.....	5 00	W. A.	1 00
Stark, John & Co.....	5 00		

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MUNICIPAL GRANTS, 1883.

City of Toronto.....	\$300 00	Co. of Oxford.....	25 00
Co. of York.....	75 00	" " Victoria.....	25 00
" " Simcoe.....	50 00	" " Norfolk.....	20 00
" " Ontario.....	25 00	" " Haldimand.....	20 00
" " Peterborough.....	25 00	" " Prescott & Russell..	20 00
" " Lambton.....	25 00	" " Carlton.....	20 00
" " Lanark.....	25 00	" " Grey.....	20 00
" " Leeds & Grenville ..	25 00		

IN GOODS.

Blachford, H. & C..... 4 00 | Hamilton, W. B..... 2 00

Parcels of cast off Clothing have been received from the following :—
 H. Cassels, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. E. A. Meredith, Mrs. Thos.
 Hodgins, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Carrier, Mr. Pomeroy, Mrs. H. Thorne, Mrs.
 Code, Mr. Hughes, Mrs. Mant on, and A Friend, Maitland street.

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