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SECOND ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
MONTREAL PROTESTANT  
HOUSE OF INDUSTRY AND REFUGE.

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REPORTS OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT,  
FINANCE COMMITTEE AND COMMITTEE  
FOR RELIEVING THE POOR.

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## TO INCORPORATE THE MONTREAL PROTESTANT HOUSE OF INDUSTRY AND REFUGE.

[ASSENTED TO MAY 12, 1863.]

**W**HEREAS the persons hereinafter named, have, by Petition, set forth, that a Protestant Institution which would serve as a House of Industry and Refuge for destitute persons in the City of Montreal, where adequate provision might be made for their wants, and habits of industry acquired by means of work to be afforded them, is urgently needed, and have further represented that such an Institution would be greatly aided by an Act of Incorporation, and have prayed that they and their successors be incorporated under the provisions hereinafter mentioned: Therefore Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of Canada, enacts as follows:

Preamble.

**1.** Benjamin Holmes, Wm. Murray, Wm. Lunn, Wm. Molson, Geo. H. Frothingham, Jas. P. Clark, Harrison Stephens, John Cordner, Jas. L. Mathewson, John Sinclair, W. McDonald, G. F. Prowse, Wm. Clendinning, Henry Lyman, M. H. Gault, Robt. Anderson, D. Lorn Macdougall, James Hutton, Wm. Edmonstone, John Redpath, Peter Redpath, Henry Mulholland, John Caverhill, Thomas Kay, and such other persons, donors or subscribers, as may, under the provisions of this Act, become donors or subscribers to the said Institution, to the amounts hereinafter mentioned, shall be, and they are hereby erected into a Body Corporate and Politic by the name of "The Montreal Protestant House of Industry and Refuge," and shall, by that name have perpetual succession and all the rights vested by the Interpretation Act in corporations generally, and shall, by the same name, from time to time, and at all times hereafter be able and capable to purchase, acquire, hold, possess and enjoy and to have, take, receive and hold by last Will and Testament, grant or donation (subject to the carrying out in good faith of the special trusts or conditions, if any, established by any such Testament or Donation) any lands, tenements or hereditaments real and immovable property, estate and effects within this Province; and the same to sell, alienate and dispose of and to acquire and purchase others in their stead for the same purpose; and to acquire and erect suitable buildings for the purposes of this Act, and the same to maintain, alter or renew from time to time; to provide and procure all materials for work and the same or any articles or things made or constructed in the said Institution to sell and dispose of, and to expend the proceeds thereof for its support; and to purchase, erect or lease and to maintain within the City of Montreal, one or more places of refuge or night asylums for the temporary relief of destitute persons (without distinction of religious profession or belief) seeking or requiring shelter, and to conduct and manage such places of refuge or asylums in accordance with the rules and regulations to be made for that purpose.

Incorporation.

Corporate name

General Corporate powers.

Real property and buildings thereon.

Disposal of articles made in the Asylum.

Night Asylums.

Proviso as to real estate.

**2.** Provided always that it shall not be lawful for the said Corporation to hold permanently, more real estate than shall be required for its use and occupation; but that the said Corporation may take donations or bequests of real estate, on condition that the same be sold within seven years after it shall have come into possession of the Corporation, and the same, or any part or portion of such real estate, or any interest therein, which may not, within the said period, have been alienated or disposed of, shall revert to the party from whom the same was acquired, his heirs or other representatives.

**3.** All and every the rents, revenues, issues and profits of all the property of the Corporation including Endowment Fund, hereinafter mentioned, shall be appropriated and applied solely for the purposes of the Corporation, and the payment of all such outlays and expenditures as may legitimately be incurred in connection therewith and for carrying into effect the objects contemplated by this Act, subject however to the special provisions contained in this Act: Provided always that any sur-

Application of Revenues.

Investments of surplus revenues.

plus of the said rents, revenues, issues and profits of the property of the Corporation, including the Endowment Fund, shall be, from time to time, invested in Government securities, City Corporation Bonds, or on security of *Baillieur de Fonds*, on real property or first mortgages within the City of Montreal and no other; and the said Corporation shall have power to consent to and grant a mortgage on its real property for the purpose only of obtaining funds for the erection and maintenance of the building or buildings necessary for the Institution.

Raising funds to erect buildings.

Board of Governors acting for the Corporation may make By-Laws.

4. The said Corporation, acting by the direction of the Board of Governors hereinafter mentioned for the time being, shall have full power and authority to make and establish all such By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, not being contrary to this Act nor to the laws of this Province, as shall be deemed necessary or useful for the management, regulation and control of said Institution and of its agents and servants, and the management of its affairs generally, and also for the admission, election or appointment of Governors, the appointment of all meetings of the Board of Governors, the mode and time of election of the elective Governors hereinafter mentioned, the appointment and removal of its officers and servants and their wages or allowances,—and from time to time to alter, repeal and change the said By-Laws, rules and regulations or any of them: and shall and may do all other matters and things generally relating to the said Corporation which may be found useful and necessary fully to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Board of Governors.  
Life Governors.

5. The ultimate and final control of the said Corporation shall be vested in a Board of Governors, being Protestants and residents within the City or County of Montreal; such Board shall be composed of life Governors, being those who shall have subscribed the sum of four hundred dollars or upwards to the Institution and who shall not be in arrear on any call made on such subscription, and of elective Governors, not being less than twenty-four in number at any one time, to be chosen and elected from those who shall have subscribed, in one sum, not less than one hundred dollars currency, to the Institution, or who shall subscribe a sum of not less than twenty-five dollars as an annual subscription; Provided always, that on payment of not less than four hundred dollars in one sum, or of an annual subscription of not less than twenty-five dollars by any Protestant Church or Congregation within the City of Montreal, or by any of the National Societies known as the "St. George's Society," "St. Andrew's Society," "Irish Protestant Benevolent Society," "German Society," "New England Society," or by any other such Society, such Church, Congregation, or Society shall have the right of appointing one person who shall be a Governor, and shall act either for life or such other period as may be fixed by such Church, Congregation or Society, subject always to the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of said Corporation and to the provisions of this Act.

Elective Governors.

Proviso in favor of certain Churches and Societies.

Board of Management.

6. The immediate management and conduct of the Institution shall be vested in a Board of Management, of not less than twenty-four in number, who shall act for three years, one-third retiring annually as may be fixed by By-Law; and such Board shall cause minutes of their proceedings and acts to be duly kept, and shall, from time to time, report the same to the Board of Governors, as may be provided by any By-Law, rule and regulation to that effect; and the Board of Management shall be elected at a meeting of the Board of Governors (including Life Governors and Elective Governors,) and the election of the first Board of Management shall take place within thirty days from and after the time when elective Governors shall have been chosen as hereinafter provided.

To report to Board of Governors.

Election.

First meeting of Corporators for organizing the Institution.

7. A meeting of the subscribers to the Institution shall be called by the persons hereby incorporated or a majority of them, within two months after the passing of this Act, by notice of not less than ten days, by advertisement to be inserted in at least two newspapers published in the City of Montreal, for the purpose of organizing the Corporation and determining the number of persons entitled to be Life Governors and for the election of the Elective Governors, at which meeting (and at other similar meetings, unless otherwise provided by By-Law) the scale of voting shall be as follows: For contributors of twenty-five dollars and under one hundred dollars, one vote; of one hundred dollars and under two hundred dollars, two votes; for any additional one hundred dollars up to one thousand dollars, one additional vote; and for each additional two hundred dollars over one thousand dollars, one additional vote; but no contributor shall have more than twenty votes:

Scale of votes.

Mode of voting.

and at such first meeting, the election of Elective Governors shall be either by ballot, or as may be ordered at the meeting; and at any subsequent meeting, the mode of election shall be as provided in the By-Law.

8. It shall be the duty of the Board of Management, first appointed, within six months to draw up the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations authorised to be made under this Act, and to report the same to the Board of Governors, who shall have power to approve, alter or amend the same.

Drafting By-Laws for approval by Board of Governors.

9. The books of subscription now opened for the establishment of the said House of Industry and Refuge shall be examined by the Board of Management, within one week after the buildings constituting such House of Industry and Refuge shall have been finished and opened for the reception of inmates, and the amount then standing subscribed shall be ascertained and shall be held to be applicable (subject to the proviso hereinafter contained) to the payment of land purchased, the erection of buildings and the fitting up and furnishing of the same: Provided always, that there shall not be expended on the said buildings and furnishing and fitting up the same, and on the places of refuge and night asylums hereinbefore mentioned, more than forty per cent. of the amount subscribed, and the remainder shall be applied to and constitute the nucleus of an Endowment Fund, the annual revenue of which only shall be applied for the purpose of maintenance of the Institution; and if, at any time, from misfortune or accident over which the Governors shall have no control, the Endowment Fund shall have been diminished below the sum ascertained by such examination as aforesaid, then one-fifth of the annual revenue produced by the remainder of the said Endowment Fund shall be applied yearly to the increase of such Endowment Fund until it shall have been restored to its original amount.

What amount of subscriptions may be expended on building, &c.

Proviso.

Remainder to form endowment fund.

10. The said Corporation shall have full powers to collect and enforce, by suit at law or other legal process, the payment of all subscriptions, or instalments on subscriptions, with legal interest thereon, from the time said payments are demanded or may become due.

Power to sue for and recover Subscriptions.

11. No member of the Corporation shall be, individually, liable for any debt incurred by the said Corporation for all or any of the purposes authorized by this Act.

Non-liability of members.

12. The said Corporation shall be bound to make Annual Reports to both branches of the Legislature, containing a general statement of the affairs of the Corporation, which said Reports shall be presented within the first twenty days of each Session.

Returns to Government.

13. This Act shall be deemed a Public Act.

Public Act.

The first part of the report deals with the general situation of the country and the progress of the work in the various departments.

The second part of the report deals with the details of the work in the various departments. It is divided into several sections, each dealing with a different aspect of the work.

The third part of the report deals with the results of the work and the conclusions drawn therefrom.

The fourth part of the report deals with the recommendations made by the committee and the steps to be taken to carry them out.

The fifth part of the report deals with the financial statement of the committee and the accounts of the work.

The sixth part of the report deals with the general remarks of the committee and the suggestions for the future.

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## SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

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The Second Annual Meeting of the Governors and Subscribers to the Montreal Protestant House of Industry and Refuge was held in the Governor's Room of the Institution, on Wednesday, 19th April, 1865.

JOHN REDPATH, Esq., President of the Institution, in the Chair.

The Meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Mr. ELLIOTT.

After some introductory remarks from the Chairman, Mr. LUNN, the Honorary Secretary, read the Annual Reports of the Board of Management, of the Finance Committee, and of the Poor Relief Committee,

The Right Rev. Bishop FULFORD moved the first resolution, as follows :—

“ That the Reports now read be received, adopted, and published for the information of the Subscribers.”

This motion was seconded and supported by the Rev. Dr. JENKINS.

The motion having been put from the Chair, was unanimously carried.

The Rev. Dr. TAYLOR moved the second resolution, as follows :—

“ That this Meeting expresses its satisfaction at the introduction of daily religious services conducted by the various Protestant Ministers, and by the Governors of the Institution and the Superintendent, and attended by all the inmates, Protestant and Roman Catholic.”

The Hon. Mr. FERRIER seconded and supported the resolution, which, having been put from the Chair, was unanimously carried.

The Rev. Mr. KEMP moved the third resolution, as follows :—

“ That by a concentration of effort on the part of the various Protestant Denominations in the city, this Institution will be found calculated to relieve the wants of the poor, and in a more economical way than by divided action.”

The motion was seconded and supported by the Rev. Mr. BONAR.

This resolution having been put to the Meeting, was also unanimously carried.

The Rev. Mr. CORDNER moved the fourth and last resolution, as follows :

“ That this Meeting expresses its satisfaction at the management of the Institution for the past year ; and, in conveying a vote of thanks to the Board of Management for their services, would express the hope that the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge may long flourish, and meet with the support and sympathy which it deserves.”

The Rev. Mr. ELLIOTT seconded and supported the motion.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

It was moved by Mr. DAVIES and seconded by Mr. GAULT, “ That the Meeting proceed to the election of twenty-four Elective Governors by open vote.”

On the motion of Mr. CLARK, seconded by Mr. GREENSHIELDS, the following gentlemen were elected Elective Governors for the ensuing year, namely :—

GEORGE MOFFATT,	J. E. JACQUES,	N. B. CORSE,	JOHN GARDNER,
H. MULHOLLAND,	JAMES MORGAN,	B. HUTCHINS,	ANDREW WILSON,
A. MILLOY,	H. T. LAMPLOUGH,	R. C. JAMESON,	Hon. JOHN ROSE,
ALEXANDER RAMSAY,	E. IDLER,	RICHARD HOLLAND,	DAVID BROWN,
WM. LUNN,	JOHN DOUGALL,	J. McMILLAN,	WM. CLENDINNING,
JAMES COURT,	GEORGE BRUSH,	HENRY BULMER,	M. H. GAULT.

The Meeting then closed.

At a Meeting of the Board of Governors held, pursuant to notice, on the 26th of April, the following gentlemen were elected Office-Bearers for 1865-66 :—

<i>President</i> —JOHN REDPATH.	<i>Treasurer</i> —WM. MOLSON.
<i>First Vice-President</i> —WM. MURRAY.	<i>Honorary Secretary</i> —WM. LUNN.
<i>Second Vice-President</i> —WM. WORKMAN.	<i>Honorary Solicitors</i> —Messrs. ROSE & RITCHIE.
<i>Honorary Notaries</i> —Messrs. GIBB & HUNTER.	

#### BOARD OF MANAGEMENT, 1865-66.

T. M. BRYSON,	H. L. ROUTH,	WM. MURRAY,
GEORGE HAGAR,	DAVID BROWN,	WM. MOLSON,
HENRY LYMAN,	J. C. BECKETT,	JOHN REDPATH,
JAMES L. MATHEWSON,	ANDREW WILSON,	WM. WORKMAN,
W. H. A. DAVIES.	H. A. NELSON,	CHAS. ALEXANDER,
JOHN SINCLAIR,	HUGH MATHEWSON,	WM. EDMONSTONE,
W. F. KAY,	JAMES FERRIER, Junr.,	JAMES P. CLARK,
M. H. GAULT,	HENRY BULMER,	T. M. THOMSON,
ANDREW ROBERTSON,	N. B. CORSE,	JOHN CAVERHILL,
GEORGE MOFFATT.	G. H. FROTHINGHAM.	JOHN GREENSHIELDS,
Term of office of above	Term of office of above	Term of office of above
expires third Wednesday	expires third Wednesday	expires third Wednesday
of April, 1868.	of April, 1867.	of April, 1866.

*Secretary and Superintendent*—WM. BROWN.

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF THE PROTESTANT HOUSE OF INDUSTRY AND REFUGE, TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 19TH OF APRIL, 1865.

The Board of Management have the honour to report the completion of the House of Industry and Refuge according to plans and specifications submitted to and approved by the Governors at their special meeting on the 14th of June last.

Owing to the lateness of the season before the work was commenced, and the delay in finishing the heating apparatus, the final completion of the buildings was much retarded beyond the time when your Board would have wished to see them finished, and the final occupation was consequently delayed till a late period.

Several alterations have been made at a moderate cost, which your Board think will tend



to economize the working of the Institution, particularly that of cooking by steam.

The Board would here state briefly to the Governors the general arrangement of the buildings. The front building on Dorchester street contains in the first story, the Ladies Industrial Department, and a large room now used as the School room, but which may be appropriated for religious services and such other objects as may be considered most advantageous in carrying on the design of the Institution. There is also a commodious basement story that may be appropriated advantageously to different purposes and which has recently been used by the inmates as a work room.

The second story of this building contains the Board Rooms and dwelling for the Superintendent.

The third story is intended for dormitories.

The rear building is especially appropriated for a Night Refuge and Soup Kitchen. The first story contains the office of the Superintendent, Soup Kitchen, large dining room and two reception rooms. The second and third stories contain the dormitories, and these, we trust, will be found sufficiently large for a Night Refuge for many years to come. The basement story is very commodious, containing coal and wood room, washing room and bath rooms for male and female. The basement of the corridor contains the boiler and heating apparatus.

The Board have endeavoured as far as possible to provide means for the cleanliness of the inmates, and the separation of the sexes, and they trust, that on examination of the whole of the buildings, the Governors will be satisfied that everything has been done to carry out their intentions in providing a suitable Soup Kitchen and Night Refuge, and supplying the wants of the Protestant poor so far as the present building was intended to do, and so far as could be expected from their limited time and experience.

Insurances have been effected on the buildings at four of the leading offices to the extent of \$15,000.

It will now be the duty of the Governors to determine what further accommodation they may think necessary and when it would be judicious to carry such into effect.

The Report of the Finance Committee, which will be appended to this Report, shews that the original subscription list amounts to the sum of \$82,829, and that there has been received up to 31st March last, the end of our financial year, on account of the first instalment \$29,339, and on account of the second instalment \$13,150, together \$42,489. Since the 21st March there has been received the further sum of \$1,250, making in all \$43,739, received on account of first and second instalments. This sum includes \$1,000 received last year and \$800 this year from the City and District Savings Bank, \$200 from Wm. Cunningham, Esq., and \$150 from Mrs. Simpson's pupils, together \$2,150, and which deducted would leave \$41,589, as the sum received on account of instalments of the original subscription list.

Your Board regret to report that three of the large subscribers still refuse to pay anything on their subscriptions in consequence of the present Act of Incorporation not permitting the Institution to hold Real Estate in perpetuity, and also in consequence of large subscribers not having the privilege of nominating paupers in proportion to the amounts subscribed. Your Board have no doubt that such subscribers may be compelled by law to pay up their subscriptions under the present act of Incorporation; but on due reflection they have thought it better for the interests of the Institution that such changes in the Act should be made as would do away with these objections, more especially as they have been promised other large sums on such amendments being made. As your Board cannot see what valid objection there can be to a purely *benevolent* Institution holding real estate in perpetuity, whatever strong objection there may be to a *religious* institution doing the same; and as, with regard to the nomination of paupers, no practical evil could possibly arise, provided the rules of the Institution as to their admission and dismissal be strictly adhered to, they have unanimously agreed to recommend the necessary changes in the Act of Incorporation. For this purpose the Bye-Law Committee have been instructed to prepare a draft of the proposed amendments. The same must, however, be laid before the Board of Governors for their consideration and approval before any definite action can be taken regarding them.

From the statement of the Finance Committee appended to this report, it will be seen that the total cost of land and buildings amounts to \$33,637, and the current expenses for maintenance during the year \$3,555,96. There are several items in this ordinary expenditure which will again be required, but no accurate estimate of the annual expenses can be made till after another year's experience.

For the detailed items of the year's expenditure we refer to the appended report of the Finance Committee.

The Report of the Poor Relief Committee shews the large amount of relief that has been afforded to the poor under their judicious management at comparatively small cost, clearly proving the great advantage in the concentration of effort,—and your Board would here reiterate the opinion given in their last report, namely, that it will be the duty of this Institution as far as possible, to embrace the relief of all classes of the Protestant poor that are now supported in various ways, by individuals, churches, and national societies, excepting always such chartered institutions as have been long established for special charitable objects. The general relief thus afforded and the saving of daily calls for charity ought to insure a large amount of annual support to this Institution, and we trust as there are still several of our wealthy citizens who have not yet subscribed anything, that they also may be

stimulated to do their duty, and to feel their responsibility to give as God hath prospered them for such a desirable object. From all the experience of the past, we feel assured that support given to the poor in this way, making use of their industry whenever it can be made available, and feeding the helpless, can be done with far more economy in the House of Industry than by a multiplicity of institutions or by individual charity, and in view of these facts, we can scarcely doubt that the institution will be sufficiently supported.

Your Board have much pleasure in drawing the special attention of the Governors to the arrangements regarding the religious services held all last winter. Divine service is held each Sabbath afternoon for one hour, by the ordained clergymen of the city in rotation. Family worship is conducted at a quarter to seven o'clock each morning, by the Superintendent, and the visiting Governors have, all through the winter, conducted the same each evening. It has been a source of much satisfaction to your Board that the great benefit of religious services have been thus brought within the reach of so many of our Protestant poor, privileges from which they have long been excluded on account of their unfortunate position in society. To the various clergymen and others who have conducted these services your Board would return their most grateful thanks. Much interest has been manifested on these occasions on the part of the poor, both Protestant and Roman Catholic, who have throughout shown the most perfect decorum.

The following Clergymen have conducted the services at the undermentioned dates:—

Sabbath, January	22, 1865,	.....	Rt. Rev. Bishop Fulford.
" "	29 "	.....	Rev. J. B. Bonar.
" February	15 "	.....	Rev. Dr. Wilkes.
" "	12 "	.....	Rev. Dr. Taylor.
" "	19 "	.....	Rev. Chas. Lavelle.
" "	26 "	.....	Rev. Dr. Mathieson.
" March	5 "	.....	Rev. John Alexander.
" "	12 "	.....	Rev. Dr. Bancroft.
" "	19 "	.....	Rev. C. P. Watson.
" "	26 "	.....	Rev. A. F. Kemp.
" April	2 "	.....	Rev. Jas. Elliott.
" "	9 "	.....	Rev. Wm. Darrach.
" "	16 "	.....	Rev. J. M. Gibson.
" "	23 "	.....	Rev. Wm. M. Mackey.
" "	30 "	.....	Rev. John Corder.
" May	7 "	.....	Rev. Thos. Derrick.
" "	14 "	.....	Rev. Thos. Fraser.

The hour of service on the Sabbath is from half-past two to half-past three each afternoon.

In regard to Medical attendance your Board have pleasure in stating that after consulting several Medical men of the city what was best to be done, Herbert S. Tew, Esq., M.D. of the Montreal General Hospital, was appointed as Medical attendant to the Institution, that gentleman having kindly offered his services gratuitously, and the Board have great pleasure in bearing their testimony to the assiduity and regularity with which he has performed his duties and the great attention he has paid to the poor under his care.

It is gratifying to state, that notwithstanding the crowded state of the wards of the Refuge during the winter, the health of the inmates has been very good, only a few cases of measles having occurred among the children, who were immediately restored by the ordinary treatment.

Two deaths have occurred since we entered into possession of the buildings, one that of an aged female, the other that of an infant, from general debility.

Your Board, as many of the Governors are aware, had come to an agreement with the City Council that this Institution should receive one-half of the proceeds of the Marsteller property now in the hands of the Corporation, the other half being reserved for a Roman Catholic Night Refuge, when it should be established. Your Board have been urging upon the Council, for some time past, the necessity and justice of an immediate payment of our share of the funds, amounting, according to statement handed to us, to the sum of \$6,089.97½. A Notarial Bond has been sent to us by the Attorney of the City Council for our signature preliminary to the payment of the money. So soon as our Solicitors have examined and approved of the documents, it will be signed and the money paid.

The Ladies' Industrial Department, which had been carried on independently by a Committee of Ladies with great success for years past, made application to connect themselves with your Board as one of their departmental Committees; and your Board, believing this to be one of the legitimate objects of this Institution, namely, the relief of the industrial poor by their own labor in their own homes, or wherever it could be most effectually carried out, received them accordingly.

Many donations of provisions, clothing, vegetables, &c., have been received during the past winter. As these have all been acknowledged in the newspapers, and the list would be too lengthy for this Report, your Board would here return their grateful thanks to the many kind friends who have thus remembered the poor and manifested their interest in the prosperity of our Institution. Your Board would remind the Meeting that donations of cast off clothing prove at all times most acceptable gifts to the poor.

In regard to the choice of a site and erection of a building for the permanent poor, nothing further has been done since last meeting, the present buildings necessary for the city having occupied the whole of the attention of your Board. In regard to a site, they are prepared to recommend the farm left to the Institution by the late Thos. Molson, Esquire, as a suitable site for the main building and the erection of the same as soon as the funds will warrant the expenditure. As the present building will be ample for the accommodation of the poor for another year, your Board would recommend the delay of another season before commencing the new buildings, when the Board will have had more experience of what is required, and time will thus be given to realise from the sale of the remainder of our unoccupied lots on DeBloury street (if that should be determined on) to more advantage than at present. In the meantime it has been suggested that this vacant lot might be put to advantage by laying in a stock of firewood in the summer and retailing out to the poor in small quantities at cost price.

The lateness of the season before the present building could be occupied prevented your Board from making any definite arrangement for procuring employment for such of the inmates as were able to work. We would however strongly recommend to the next Board of Management that every effort should be made before the next winter to provide employment for every one able to work; and whenever work could be procured, and any who were able found unwilling to work, that they should not receive further relief from the Institution.

Your Board have to record with regret the deaths, during the past year, of the Hon. George Moffatt, Edward Maitland, Esq., R. D Collis, Esq., and the Hon. Mr. Justice Gale, all of them Governors of the Institution.

In accordance with the Charter of Incorporation it will be the duty of the Governors, at a meeting to be held within eight days, to elect ten Governors to serve for three years in the place of the undermentioned retiring members of the Board of Management, all of them being eligible for re-election, viz. :—

James L. Mathewson, W. F. Kay, T. M. Bryson, John Sinclair, M. H. Gault, Henry Lyman, W. H. A. Davies, Wm. Lunn, George Hagar, and in the room of the late Edward Maitland, Esquire.

It will be the duty of this meeting to select a Governor to fill the place, on the Board of Management, of the late Hon. George Moffatt, whose unexpired term of office extends to two years from this date.

The whole of the elective Governors of last year, twenty-four in number, now retire from office; all of them being eligible for re-election. This meeting will proceed to the election of a like number in their place. The Governors will bear in mind that the ten new members of the Board of Management are chosen from the Life and Elective Governors. The list of gentlemen eligible to the office of Elective Governor will be found attached to the printed copies of the Bye-laws.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. REDPATH, *President.*

The Finance Committee of the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, beg leave to submit to the Governors, a detailed statement of the Receipts and Expenditures of the Institution, for the year ending, 31st March, 1865.

#### SUBSCRIPTION FUND.

Total amount of the original Subscription List as reported on 31st March, 1864.....		\$82,829 00	
Additional Subscriptions to 31st March, 1865, as follows: Wm. Cunningham, Esq., \$200; Mrs. Simpson's Pupils \$150; Jury fees \$24; James Cooper, Esq., \$10; John McLennan, Esq., \$20; O. G. Wolf, Esq., Hamburg, \$10—sums under \$10, \$21 35.....		\$435 35	
Interest.....	297 30		
Rent of Farm.....	160 00		
Sundries.....	10 77		
City and District Savings Bank.....	800 00		
		\$ 1,703 42	\$84,532 42
Received on Account of First Instalment, due 1st Nov. 1865.....	29,339 00		
Received on Account of Second Instalment, due 1st Nov. 1864.....	13,150 00		42,489 00
Balance of Subscription list due, and to become due.....			\$42,043 42
Arrears of First Instalment.....	2,510 00		
Do. of Second Do. ....	6,950 00		9,460 00

## EXPENDITURES 31st MARCH, 1864, TO 31st MARCH 1865.

## LAND AND BUILDING ACCOUNT.

John Donegani, purchase money of Lot, corner of Dorchester and DeBleury Streets.....	\$15,000 00	
Cost of Deeds, Surveys, and Plans of the same.....	31 00	\$15,031 00
Cost of the New Houses of Refuge, as follows:—		
Mason Work.....	2,466 88	
Brick-layers' Work.....	4,664 13	
Carpenter Work.....	6,994 00	
Plasterers' Work.....	803 30	
Heating, Plumbing, and Gas-fitting.....	1,900 00	
Painters' Work.....	756 81	
Architects' Commission.....	850 00	
Cost of 3,122 Loads of Earth for filling up the low ground.....	161 10	18,596 22

Total Cost of Land and Buildings.....\$33,627 22

NOTE.—There is still a balance unadjusted of about \$260 on the Heating.

## CAMPEAU ST. ASYLUM.

Maintenance Account of the Refuge in Campeau St., from 1st April to 24th Dec., the date of removal to new Buildings :

Bread.....	\$ 146 93
Groceries.....	138 41
Potatoes and Vegetables.....	34 10
Coal Oil.....	3 60
Water rates to 1st May.....	10 45
Fire-wood.....	79 25
Ventilators in Windows.....	17 50
Other expences.....	26 87
	<u>457 11</u>

Maintenance Account since date of removal to 31st March :

Bread.....	217 68	
Groceries, &c.....	319 50	
Potatoes.....	43 50	
Soup Kitchen account.....	203 91	784 59

Blankets and Bedding for New Building.....	344 74
Wrought Iron Bedsteads for do.....	231 35
Tables, Chairs and furnishings.....	112 09
Fuel account.....	542 50
Gas account for past Winter.....	44 36
Insurance account for 12 months.....	81 24
Clothing account.....	25 82
Funeral expences.....	9 50
Soup Kitchen, Fortification Lane—item for fire-wood omitted last year.....	6 00
Wages and Salaries for the year.....	749 26
Stationery and Sundries for Office.....	53 93
Rent of Office last year, in Gt. St. James St.....	67 00
Printing account.....	2 69
Sundry Petty expences, per Petty Cash Bk.....	43 78

Total Current expences for the year..... 3,555 96

Total outlay for the year..... \$37,183 18

The following is an abstract of the position of the Current Account and Deposit Account,

as furnished by WM. MOLSON, Esq., the Treasurer of the Institution :

Amount at Credit of Current Account as per Bank Book.....	888 71
At Credit of Deposit on Interest Account, as per account rendered.....	3,300 00
Balance of Interest at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent. accrued on Deposit to 31st March, 1865, for the half year ending that date, the Interest for the first half of the year being credited Current account.....	93 99
Balance in hands of Treasurer 31st March.....	\$ 4,282 70
Add Balance in hands of Supt., same date.....	128 25
Total at Credit of Institution, 31st March, 1865.....	<u>\$ 4,410 95</u>

Respectfully submitted,

WM. LUNN,  
Chairman.

REPORT OF THE POOR RELIEF COMMITTEE, FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
19TH APRIL, 1865.

The Poor Relief Committee have the honour to report that the new buildings were opened on the 16th December last, and the work has been carried on during the Winter months with considerable success and satisfaction. In the Night Refuge the aggregate number of night's lodgings given to the poor is 6,735, of which 1,634 were Roman Catholics.

The Soup Kitchen has been kept constantly going, and from it the number of rations distributed have been 25,197, the cost of each ration being a little over four-fifths of one cent and each ration measuring one quart.

The permanent poor regularly maintained during the Winter has numbered about 80, and this number will not likely much diminish. If the funds would permit, it would be desirable to have all these removed to the Farm, according to the decision arrived at last year. But in the meantime they can be taken care of in the town buildings. If the building in the country was ready, it would be better to remove the entire establishment out of the town building, leaving only sufficient attendants to meet urgent cases of destitution requiring immediate relief.

As the work is carried on at present, the cost of each inmate is about 15 cents a day, including all expenses of maintenance and management.

Great difficulty is found in procuring suitable employment for the permanent poor, and attention is constantly given to this object with the view of having them always occupied.

It is felt that great benefit would arise from an effort to reclaim and educate the number of young persons, boys especially, who now crowd our streets, and the Committee entertain the hope that something may soon be done in this direction.

The establishment of a Ragged School in connection with the Night Refuge is strongly recommended.

It is also considered desirable that all the inmates should be clothed in uniform dress of the same material. Improved appearance and greater cleanliness would result and no great expense would be incurred.

If the vacant lot adjoining the building is not to be sold immediately, it is suggested that firewood for the poor might be laid in there and sold out in winter at its actual cost.

It is recommended that the Night Refuge be closed not later than the 1st June, and the Soup Kitchen for out-door relief at the same time.

It is a matter of regret to this Committee that the City Missionaries' Relief Association did not see their way to do their work during the past winter through this Institution. Concentrated effort would, in the opinion of this Committee, always prove more effective and more economical, as multiplied agencies may tend to pauperise instead of benefitting the poor.

By request of this Committee, the following gentlemen have acted as Visitors from week to week :—

Week beginning Monday, Jan.	9, John Sinclair and M. H. Gault.
"	16, Henry Bulmer and David Brown
"	23, George Hagar and H. A. Nelson.
"	30, T. M. Thomson and T. M. Bryson.
Feb.	6, E. E. Shelton and Andrew Wilson.
"	13, Andrew Robertson and Peter Redpath.

Week beginning Monday, Feb.	20,	John Dougall and Wm. Lunn.
"	27,	E. Idler and Richard Holland.
March	6,	Benjamin Lyman and S. C. Bagg.
"	13,	James Ferrier, Junr., and G. H. Frothingham.
"	20,	Jas. Court and N. B. Corse.
"	27,	E. Atwater and D. P. Janes.
April	3,	J. P. Clark and Chas. Alexander.
"	10,	Henry Lyman and T. M. Taylor.
"	17,	J. C. Becket and J. A. Mathewson.
"	24,	Hugh Mathewson and Wm. Clendinning.

By the Register of the Soup Kitchen hereto appended, it will be seen that the greatest number of rations distributed was for the week ending 7th March, the figures being 2,117. For the week ending yesterday the number is 1,554.

The Night Refuge Table shows a gradual weekly increase of Nights Lodgings from 39 at the end of December, when the Refuge was opened, to 587 for the week ending 9th March, the same week when the heaviest demands were made upon the Soup Kitchen. Since that date the decrease in the Night Refuge has not been anything like equivalent to the rate of increase in the early part of winter.

The totals of the Night Refuge Table are as follows:—No. of Protestant Males, 3,092. No. of Protestant Females, 1,960. No. of Catholic Males, 977. No. of Catholic Females, 707. Total Protestants, 5,052. Total Catholics, 1,684. Total Males, 4,067. Total Females, 2,665. Grand total, 6,735.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN GREENSHIELDS, *Chairman.*

### SOUP REGISTER, 1864-65.

Fortnight ending 10th January, 1865—No. of Rations distributed.....	1,153
Week ending 17th January, 1865—No. of Rations distributed.....	995
" " 24th " — " " " .....	1,198
" " 31st " — " " " .....	1,556
" " 7th February — " " " .....	1,689
" " 14th " — " " " .....	1,654
" " 21st " — " " " .....	1,883
" " 28th " — " " " .....	1,999
" " 7th March — " " " .....	2,117
" " 14th " — " " " .....	2,082
" " 21st " — " " " .....	2,055
" " 28th " — " " " .....	1,748
" " 4th April — " " " .....	1,787
" " 11th " — " " " .....	1,727
" " 18th " — " " " .....	1,554
<i>Total</i> .....	25,197

### NUMBER OF MEALS GIVEN FOR THE YEAR.

At Soup Kitchen .....	25,197
Breakfasts to Night Refuge Inmates.....	6,331
Meals to Permanent Poor .....	19,250
Casual Meals to Poor .....	600
<i>Total</i> .....	51,378

The average cost of maintaining each inmate, all expenses included, is about 15 cents per day.

NIGHT REFUGE, DORCHESTER STREET, APRIL, 1865.  
 NUMBER OF NIGHT'S LODGINGS GIVEN, DISTINGUISHING EVERY WEEK, FROM 21st DEC,  
 1864, TO 18th APRIL, 1865.

Week ending.	No. of Protestant Males.	No. of Protestant Females.	No. of R Catholics Males.	No. of R. Catholic Females.	Total Protestants.	Total Catholics.	Total Males.	Total Females.	Total.
Dec. 27,	28	3	8	0	31	8	36	3	39
Jan. 3,	77	14	20	4	91	24	97	18	115
" 10,	113	11	36	3	124	39	149	14	163
" 17,	154	24	33	8	178	41	187	32	219
" 24,	162	46	54	7	208	61	216	53	269
" 31,	175	69	48	24	244	72	223	93	316
Feb. 7,	218	77	61	50	295	111	279	127	406
" 14,	209	123	70	65	332	135	279	188	467
" 21,	214	184	61	78	398	139	275	262	537
" 28,	231	210	60	86	441	146	290	296	586
Mar. 7,	261	179	81	58	440	139	342	237	579
" 14,	232	182	94	39	414	133	326	221	547
" 21,	223	203	82	72	426	154	305	275	580
" 28,	243	175	73	55	418	128	316	230	546
April 4,	199	168	115	62	367	177	314	230	544
" 11,	158	161	44	54	319	98	202	215	417
" 18,	195	131	37	42	326	79	232	173	405
Totals..	3092	1960	577	707	5052	1684	4063	2667	6735