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# HALIFAX PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

#### Gentlemen's Committee.

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## OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE HALIFAX PROTESTANT INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL, FOR 1883.

In reviewing the work of another year, the Committee regret that circumstances over which they had no control occurred which prevented them from holding the annual meeting for 1882. The Hon. P. C. Hill left for England, and the Vice-President—J. S. Maclean, Esq.— was taken seriously ill, and upon his restoration to health, it was thought too late in the year to hold the meeting. The year's operations still afford pleasing evidences that our work has not been in vain in the Lord. Our aim has ever been to train in habits of thrift and honesty, and to mould for usefulness in after life those committed to our care.

At the close of last year, the late Superintendent, Mr. Abner Hart, resigned his position after six years of earnest and faithful work to the satisfaction of the Directors.

At the commencement of the year the number of boys in the Institution was twenty-four, and at the close thirtyone. One left, time expiring; eight new pupils have been admitted. Two ran away; one was captured and restored to his place in the Institution, the other left the Province.

#### BEHAVIOUR.

On this subject we are glad to note a decided improvement, and except in the cases of runaways, no severer punishment has been found necessary than that required for ordinary school discipline; and in the several Churches visited, and whenever they appeared in public during the year, their conduct has been very highly spoken of

### INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT.

At the close of last year, Mr. Bliss, who for several years had the management of the Shoe Department, and by the kindly interest he always manifested in the boys under him, endeared himself to all, was removed by death, and for several weeks the Shoe shop was closed. The Committee are glad to state that Robert Taylor, Esq. very kindly took over this department, and after one year's experience both himself and his manager have expressed themselves well pleased with the work done by the boys, several of whom are smart at their trade and promise to make good workmen, and we trust good citizens, providing they give attention to the moral and religious training they receive.

The younger boys are employed in cutting kindling wood, which is sold to the citizens; but in consequence of the competition, the Directors determined to reduce the price from 80 cts. per hundred bundles to 60 cts., in the hope that the sales would be much larger. We are glad to note the result has been highly satisfactory, as the following will show: The number of bundles sold in 1882 was 64,011, and for 1883 80,528—showing an increase of 16,517 bundles. The Committee hope for a still greater improvement this year.

Carpet cleaning, another source of income, shows a small increase over the previous year.

#### SABBATH SERVICES.

During the year, the boys, with the superintendent have attended the following Churches:—Chalmers and Fort Massey Presbyterian; Brunswick Street, Grafton Street and Charles Street Methodist, and St. Paul's Church. On Sabbath afternoon School is held at the Home, under the care of the superintendent, assisted by T. M. DeWolf and Mr. Midwood. It is very gratifying to see the interest manifested by the boys in the study of the lessons.

#### MUSIC.

The Committee are glad to note the great improvement the boys have made in singing during the year under the able training of the superintendent. Wednesday evenings being set apart for service of song. A new organ was very much needed; the one then in use, presented by the late th

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Miss Cogswell, being completely worn out. A subscription list was started, and in a few days the superintendent collected \$78.25, which enabled the Committee to purchase a good instrument, which has not only been a source of recreation to the boys, but afforded a great deal of pleasure to the public. The Committee take this opportunity to thank those ladies and gentlemen who so generously subscribed to the above named object.

The superintendent is glad to report that he has started the drum and fife band again, to the great delight of the boys.

#### PIC-NIC.

The summer Pic-Nic was held in August. The boys with the superintendent, E. D Meynell, Rev. Mr. Teasdale, and a number of friends, went by steam launch "Arrow" to Smith's, Bedford. The day was fine and the sail up the harbor was delightful. After a sumptuous dinner, the boys enjoyed the sports provided for them by the Rev. Mr. Teasdale and other friends. Running and swimming matches, tug of war, &c., for money prizes. All returned home safe, delighted with the day's outing provided for them by the Committee.

#### CHRISTMAS.

The Christmas dinner is an event always looked forward to by the boys with pleasure. The large school room and entrance hall was beautifully decorated with spruce and colored mottoes, the work of the boys themselves. A large Christmas-tree, loaded with useful articles, the gift of kind friends, was placed at one end of the room, and was the centre of attraction for the boys. The viands were all that could be desired, the boys with keen appetites doing justice to the good things provided for them. There were present J. S. Maclean, Esq., President; S. M. Brookfield, W. H. Neal and son, Adam Burns, E. D. Meynell, Rev. J. J. Teasdale, J. M. DeWolfe, Robt. Taylor, Mr. Rankin of St. Johns, Mr. Hills, and other friends. Several addresses were given and pieces sung by the boys. Robt. Taylor presented each boy in the Shoe department with one dollar as a Christmas box. S. M. Brookfield gave

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fifty cents to six boys for general good conduct during the year, and the Committee gave to each of the boys in the Kindling department fifty cents. The evening was spent in singing, drawing for articles on tree. and other amusements, with a good supply of the daintics of the season kindly provided for them.

#### CONCERT.

The concert held at the Academy of Music in December was in every way a success; and the Committee desire most cordially to thank those ladies and gentlemen, and the Haydn Quintette Club for their valuable assistance in carying out the excellent programme. Also to the ladies and gentlemen of the different Churches who interested themselves so much in the sale of tickets, -realizing to the funds the handsome sum of \$162.

#### HEALTH.

The superintendent is glad to report a good bill of health for the year, only one case requiring special mention. One lad who injured his head while swiming (diving) was confined in the City Hospital for several weeks, and under careful treatment, was soon strong and well again, for which the Committee desire to record their gratitude Che Christmas dinner is to Almighty God. to by the boys with plea

SCHOOL.

In educational matters the boys are under the care of Mr. Kennedy, principal of the Albro Street school four evenings in the week. Reading, writing, and arithmetic receive most attention, but two of the boys are being trained in the keeping of accounts, lessons in geography, and other subjects are also given to the older boys The Committee have to express their gratification at the progress the boys have made under Mr. Kennedy, who has always shown a deep interest in the Institution since he took charge of the school.

#### RECREATION.

The recreations of the boys have been carefully attended to. During the summer months the boys have enjoyed games of cricket, base-ball, swimming, &c., and in the

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fall the superintendent on several occasions took the whole of them out on Saturday afternoons for a paper chase. The superintendent is desirous of erecting a gymnasium on the grounds in rear of the main building, which we are sure will be much appreciated by the boys, and afford good healthful exercise after their working hours.

#### RESULTS.

It is always gratifying to the Committe. to find that in the majority of cases, those who serve out their time in the School, are doing well. Several have visited their old home during the year. All speak of the good they received while there. One young lad whose time expired in April last, has been retained by Mr. Taylor in the Shoe department on salary. The Committee, at his own request, allowing him to board in the School. His conduct is very highly spoken of by the superintendent. Three others have asked to have their time extended : one for two years the other two for one year each. To this request the Committee cheerfully consented.

#### THANKS.

The thanks of the Committee are most cordially accorded to Dr. Lindsay for his gratuitous and valuable services. To the several Churches for church accommodation. To the Hon. T. D. Archibald for his annual gift of ten chaldron of coal, and a car-load of coal from Spring Hill Coal Mines Co., per Hon Senator McFarlane. To H. A. Taylor and A. Buckley, Druggists. for their kind services in taking orders for kindling wood, &c. To the Brunswick St. Methodist Church for kind invitation for boys to attend Congregational Pic-nic To the Press of the City for their hearty notices of our affairs. as occasion required ; and to our many friends who have for so many years contributed in money, and in presents of food and clothing for the support of the Institution

In conclusion, the Board have very great pleasure in testifying to the excellent management of our new Superintendent and his most indifatigable wife; both are just suited in every way for the positions they occupy—as

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Spring Hill Coal Mine Co. per Hon. Senator McFarlane-one car load

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Mrs. Fairbanks-20 lb. cake.

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Misses Meynell-10 lb. cake for New Year. Fader Bros. - piece beef,

Cash for Christmas Tree :---

Mr. Kennedy, \$1.50; Rev. J. J. Teasdale, \$1; A. M. Bell, \$1; Mr. Meynell, \$1; M. P. Black's family, \$5. Robt. Taylor, cash to boys in Shoe Department, \$11.25. By the Committee for boys not in the Shoe Department, \$12.

S. M. Brookfield, for rewards, \$3. Jas. Bowes & Sons, 150 Reports for 1882.

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# Financial Statement of the Halifax Protestant Industrial School.

1883. Dec. 31.

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