### TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## MACKAY INSTITUTION

FOR

**PROTESTANT** 

# DEAF-MUTES

AND THE

# BLIND

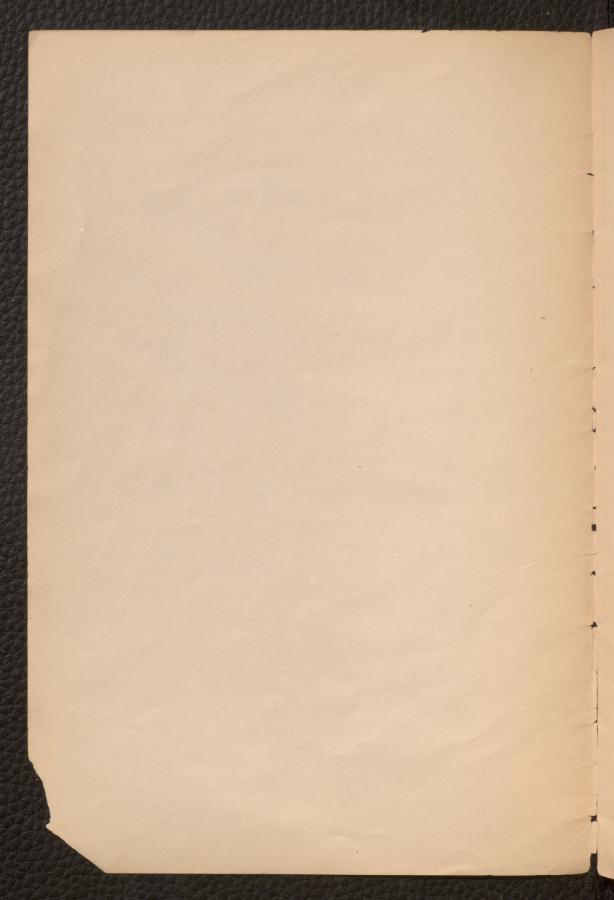
(Incorporated 1869.)

FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 31st, 1897.

MONTREAL.



MONTREAL:
"WITNESS" PRINTING HOUSE.
1898.



### 1897=98.

### PATRONS AND OFFICE-BEARERS.

### patrons:

THE EARL OF ABERDEEN, GOV. GEN. OF CANADA.
THE COUNTESS OF ABERDEEN,
THE EARL OF DERBY, G.C.B., H. R. H. THE PRINCESS LOUISE,
THE EARL OF DUFFERIN, THE MARQUIS OF LANSDOWNE, &c.

### President:

F. WOLFERSTAN THOMAS.

### Vice=Presidents:

ROBERT MACKAY. CHAS. ALEXANDER.

#### Directresses:

MRS. F. WOLFERSTAN THOMAS. MRS. P. S. STEVENSON. MRS. ROBERT MACKAY.

### Secretary=Treasurer.

GEORGE DURNFORD.

### Bonorary Physicians:

DR. F. A. L. LOCKHART,
DR. J. V. ANGLIN,
DR. H. S. BIRKETT, AURIST.
DRS. J. C. AND H. G. S. NICHOL, DENTISTS.

#### Board of Governors:

Life Governors.

ALEXANDER, CHAS. CLAXTON, T. JAS. McLENNAN, HUGH (ALLAN, ANDREW. MACKENZIE, MRS. H.

Governors Ex-efficio.

DAWSON, SIR J. W. MACVICAR, REV. DR. SHAW, REV. DR. W. I.

#### Elective Governors.

THE RIGHT HON. LORD STRATHCONA AND MOUNT ROYAL, K.C.M.G.

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BLAN, ANDREW
BENNY ROBT.
BUSHELL, REV. ED.
DOW, MISS
DOW, MISS JESSIE
DUXLOP, MRS. GRAHAM C.
CRAMP, MRS. GRAHAM C.
CRAMP, MRS. GRAHAM C.
GAULT, A. F.
GAULT, MRS. A. F.
GREENE, E. K.

MACKAY, MRS. ROBT.
MACKAY, MRS. BOBT.

STEVENSON, MRS. P. S. SUTHERLAND-TAYLOR, MRS. W. THOMAS F. WOLFERSTAN, THOMAS, MRS. F, WOLFERSTAN, WHITEHEAD, MRS. C. R. LADY STRATHCONA AND MOUNT ROYAL.

### Board of Managers:

PRESIDENT.
VICE-PRESIDENTS.
DIRECTRESSES.
ALLAN, ANDREW
BUSHELL, REV. EDWD.
DRAKE, WALTER
DUNLOP, MRS, GRAHAM
GAULT, A. F.
LEARMONT, MISS
SUTHERLAND TAVIOR MES
WHOME A JORN MS. J. W.
MOORE, JAMES
MORRICE, DAVID MURRAY, MISS NORMAN, VERY REV. DEAN PENHALLOW, MRS. D. P. ROSS, P. S. SHEPHERD, MISS STEVENSON, MRS. P. S. TAYLOR, MRS. A. T.

### SUTHERLAND-TAYLOR, MRS. W. HOWE, MRS. H. ASPINWALL, WHITEHEAD, MRS, C. R.

### monorary Members:

BRYDGES, MRS. C. J. DAWSON, LADY. GALT, LADY.

### OFFICERS AND INSTRUCTORS.

Superintendent.

HARRIET E. ASHCROFT.

Teachers of the Deaf and the Blind, of Articulation, and of Defective Speech.

SIBELLE KING, GERALDINE DALY, IDA McLEOD. ELIZABETH DUNCAN.

Teachers of Music.

SEPTIMUS FRASER,

KATHERINE WILLIAMS.

Teacher of Drawing.
GERALDINE DALY.

Housekeeper and Teacher of Sewing.
SARAH A. SHEWELL.

Teacher of Printing.

Teacher of Carpentry and Cabinet Making.
ERNEST MASON.

Teacher of Shoe-Making.

ALBERT BUSH.

Boys' Supervisor.
THOMAS SHOULDICE.

Caretaker and Engineer.
ROWLEY JAMES.

### ANNUAL MEETING.

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The Twenty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Mackay Institute for Protestant Deaf Mutes and the Blind was held at the Institute, Notre Dame de Grace, on Thursday, the 18th November at 2.20 p.m.

ember, at 2.30 p.m.

The large hall was filled with the friends of the Institute and parents of the pupils. Among those present were:—Messrs. F. Wolferstan Thomas, Chas. Alexander, George Hague, A. F. Gault, D. Nelson, Rev. Henry Kittson, Rev. Clipsham, Mrs. F. Wolferstan Thomas, Miss Wolferstan Thomas, Mrs. P. S. Stevenson, Mr. G. Colquhoun Dunlop, Mrs. Frank Scott, Mrs. Hollis, the Misses Raynes, Misses Major, Mrs. Nelson, Miss Cundill, Mrs. Durnford, Miss Esther Durnford, Mrs. A. D. Durnford, Mr. Macdonald.

The Meeting having been called to order, the President, Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, requested the Rev. Mr. Kittson to open it with prayer, after which the Secretary read the notice

convening the meeting.

Letters of regret that they were unable to attend the meeting were read from the Hon, F. G. Marchand, Premier of the Province of Quebec, Mr. Robert Mackay, and the Rev. W. I. Shaw, D.D., LL.D., of the Wesleyan Theological College, and the Secretary also stated that the Dean of Montreal and Mr. J. B. Learmont had requested him to say that they fully intended to be present, but were unavoidably detained.

On motion of the Rev. Henry Kittson, it was resolved: That the minutes of the last meeting having been printed

and distributed, be taken as read.—Carried.

The Secretary then read the Financial Statement, the Audi-

tors' and the Board Manager's Reports.

The Rev. Henry Kittson read the report of the annual examinations of the pupils, and the President the report of the Superintendent.

The President moved, seconded by Mr. Chas. Alexander: That the reports and statements as read be adopted and printed for distribution, and before putting the motion would be glad to hear any remarks from any of the gentlemen or ladies present.

The Rev. Mr. Kittson and Mr. George Hague briefly ad-

dressed the meeting, pointing out the good work done by the Institute, which was largely due to the zeal and attention given to it by the President, Mr. Wolferstan Thomas, aided by the ladies and gentlemen of the Board of Managers.

The motion was then carried unanimously.

Mr. A. F. Gault moved, seconded by Mrs. P. S. Stevenson: That the thanks of the meeting be given to the President, Vice-Presidents, and Board of Managers for the care and attention devoted to the cause of the Institute, and that the following be elected for the ensuing year:—

President-F. Wolferstan Thomas.

Vice-Presidents-Robert Mackay, Chas. Alexander.

Directresses—Mrs. F. Wolferstan Thomas, Mrs. P. S. Stevenson, Mrs. Robt. Mackay.

Elective Governors—The Rt. Hon. Lord Strathcona & Mount Royal, K.C.M.G., Andrew Allan, Robt. Benny, Rev. Ed. Bushell, Miss Dow, Miss Jessie Dow, Walter Drake, Mrs. Graham C. Dunlop, Mrs. Cramp, Rev. Arthur French, A. F. Gault, Mrs. A. F. Gault, E. K. Greene, R. W. Heneker, Jonathan Hodgson, Mrs. H. Aspinwall Howe, Miss Learmont, Mrs. Jno. McDougall, Rev. Dr. A. B. Mackay, Robt. Mackay, Mrs. Robt. Mackay, Mrs. H. Mackenzie, Miss Major, P. Macnaughton, Rev. Dr. MacVicar, Mrs. J. W. Mackedie, Miss Major, Jas. Moore, David Morrice, Miss Murray, Very Rev. Dean Norman, Mrs. D. P. Penhallow, P. S. Ross Miss Shepherd, S. Silverman, Lady Strathcona and Mount Royal, Mrs. A. T. Taylor, Mrs. P. S. Stevenson, Mrs. W. Sutherland-Taylor, F. Wolferstan Thomas, Mrs. F. Wolferstan Thomas, Mrs. C. R. Whitehead.

Board of Managers—President, Vice-Presidents, Directresses, Andrew Allan, Rev. Edwd. Bushell, Walter Drake, Mrs. Graham C. Dunlop, A. F. Gault, Miss Learmont, Mrs. Jno. McDougall, Rev. Dr. A. B. Mackay, Mrs. Robt. Mackay, Mrs. H. Mackenzie, P. Macnaughton, Rev. Dr. MacVicar, Miss Major, Mrs. J. W. Mackedie, Jas. Moore, David Morrice, Miss Murray, Very Rev. Dean Norman, Mrs. D. P. Penhallow, P. S. Ross, Miss Shepherd, Mrs. A. T. Taylor, Mrs. W. Sutherland-Taylor, P. S. Stevenson, Mrs. H. Aspinwall Howe, Mrs. C. R. Whitehead.

The regular business of the meeting having been concluded, the following programme by the pupils was proceeded with. Mrs. J. J. Ashcroft, the Superintendent, explained to the audience that the first step towards teaching the deaf was by showing articles or actions and writing the name or action on the blackboard, such as a "cup," an they connect the word with the article named or the action of a person or animal running, in like manner with the word "run" or running. Next adjectives are brought into use, as "a large book," "a small book," "a fast run," etc.

### PROGRAMME—ANNUAL MEETING.

Infant Class—Nouns. First Class—Adj. and Actions.

Nursery Rhymes—"The Arrow and the Song." By Grantley Paterson.

Articulation—Junior Class—
Defective speech. Lip Reading. Visible Speech.

Intermediate Class-Arithmetic (Reading by Blind).

Sign Recitation—Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar." By Caroline Brethour. Austin's reply. By Annette Morrison.

Advanced Class-Language.

Music—Instrumental. H. Fenn. Music—Vocal and Instrumental. T. Payne.

"God save the Queen."

After the programme was concluded, Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas addressed the children, and impressed upon them the desire of all connected with the Institute that they should not only receive a good education, enabling them to take their part in the various duties of life, earn their own living, and become good men and women. For the information of the audience, the following roll will show how those who have already gone through the school have played their part, and would compare very creditably with other schools.

1 Artist, 1 Engraver, 1 Drug Clerk, 7 Printers, 1 Cook, 2 House-keepers, 8 Farmers, 4 Farm-laborers, 5 Carpenters, I Mail Clerk, 1 Caretaker, 3 Machinists, 13 Assisting at Home, 1 Teacher, 1 Leather Cutter, I Upholsterer, 1 Tailor, 1 Chair-caner, 1 Furrier, 1 Photographer, 1 Harness-maker, 1 Miner, 1 Waiter, 1 Barber, 1 Doctor's Boy, 1 Working in a Cotton Factory.

He concluded with a feeling reference to the sad loss recently sustained by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mackay in the death of their daughter, who had just arrived at the age to be more of a companion to her mother. Mrs. Mackay has always been one of the most regular attendants of the meetings, both monthly and annual, and takes the greatest interest in both the pupils and Institute. Her absence and the cause is deeply regretted.

The meeting then adjourned.

The visitors were then shown over the building, and partook of refreshments provided by the Superintendent, staff and pupils.

### MANAGERS' REPORT.

The Board of Managers of the Mackay Institute for Protestant Deaf Mutes and the Blind, have the pleasure of presenting the Twenty-seventh Annual Report for the year ending 31st July 1807

The Board regrets that the course of studies were very much broken during the past scholastic year by an outbreak of measles among the pupils, and on the staff devolved the care of attending to their wants, a duty that was faithfully performed. The epidemic among the number of children liable to it, made a very great break in the course of the studies, nevertheless, the examiners' report appended shows that most satisfactory progress has been made.

The Managers are pleased to be able to report that the improvements made to the premises during the previous year rendered it unnecessary to lay out any money on the buildings this season.

The Report of the Superintendent is submitted herewith.

The Board have to tender their sincere thanks to Honorary Medical staff for their gratuitous services, and especially to Dr. James V. Anglin, for his most assiduous and constant attention during the past winter, and to the Revs. Messrs. Kittson, Mowatt and Bushell for conducting the annual school examinations.

The financial statement, the auditors' report and verification of securities are also presented.

Respectfully submitted,

F. WOLFERSTAN THOMAS, President.

G. DURNFORD,
Secretary-Treasurer.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT.

The Session of 1896-97 opened auspiciously, there being sixty-one pupils present, of whom thirty-seven were boys and twenty-four girls, and all enjoyed uninterrupted health until after their return from the Christmas holidays, when we were visited with three contagious diseases, viz., diphtheria, tonsilitis and measles. Through the prompt attention of our skilled Physicians, Drs. H. S. Birkett and J. V. Anglin, the diphtheria was confined to two cases, a pupil and a teacher, both of whom were promptly removed to the Civic Hospital for treatment. Dr. Anglin promptly inoculated thirty-eight children under fifteen years of age. Fifteen were attacked with tonsilitis and thirty-five with measles. The above diseases were brought to the Institution from the children's homes, and we would, without doubt, have been free from such illnesses had there been no Christmas holidays. The parents were duly notified at the time of the outbreak, but none deemed it necessary to remove their children. One boy, George Laycock, was attacked with pneumonia simultaneously with measles, and notwithstanding the unremitting attentions of Drs. Anglin and Findlay, he fell into consumption and a few months later died at the Montreal General Hospital, where his funeral service was conducted. He was interred in a lot purchased by the Board of Management in the Mount Royal Cemetery. With the approval of the Board, I have this term notified the parents that no Christmas holidays can be given, and look to the Board for support in this important movement. Notwithstanding the interruption thus occasioned by sickness, good work was accomplished in the class-rooms, as the report of the Examiners appended testifies.

The Articulation Department, which is in charge of Miss King, assisted by Miss Daly, consists of thirty-seven pupils. Including those whose speech is defective, there are fourteen who are instructed orally, that is, exactly in the same manner as children attending common schools, and are taught the same subjects, while the remaining number of children—either congenitally deaf or made so through illness—have special instruction in speech and speech-reading. The Drawing Class during the past year was taught by Miss Jessie McFarlane.

The Blind Class is in charge of Miss Ida McLeod, and is composed of five pupils, who are taught the following subjects: reading, spelling, writing (Braille and tablet), geography, arithmetic, and history and instrumental and vocal music. Instruc-

tion in the latter is given by Prof. Septimus Fraser, assisted by Miss Katherine Williams. In this department very grati-

fying progress has been made.

At the close of the session in June, 1897, Miss McFarlane and Miss Johnson retired from the work of teaching the deaf, and were succeeded by Miss Geraldine Daly, who has undergone a special course of training in articulation teaching, and Miss Elizabeth Duncan, of Montreal. Miss Bolger, our efficient and esteemed housekeeper also tendered her resignation, on account of bereavement in her family, and was succeeded by Miss Shewell, of Ottawa. The staff is, this term, composed of all hearing and speaking instructors, which enables us to admit a larger number to the Articulation Classes.

The Trades' Departments are in charge of competent instructors, and we confidently look to them to turn out good carpenters, painters, shoemakers, and printers. Chair-caning is taught to both the blind and the deaf. The numerous improvements and additions made during the summer of 1897, including the new "Daisy" furnaces, added materially to the comfort of the building and rendered any further repairs for

the present year unnecessary.

We have again to express our sincere thanks to Drs. F. A. L. Lockhart, J. V. Anglin, F. G. Findlay, F. Buller (oculist), H. S. Birkett (aurist), J. M. Jack (dermatologist), J. C. and H. J. S. Nichol (dentists), for their gratuitous services, and we are under obligations to Rev. E. Bushell for bi-weekly visits and to Prof. J. Campbell for conducting Sunday services. Our thanks are also due to Mr. Hubert Baker for vocal instruction in the blind department, and to Messrs. D. McNichol and W. E. Davis, General Passenger Agents of the Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk Railways for reduced rates of travelling and other favors, and to the Misses Raynes, McNaughton, Ward, Reekie and Mrs. Root, of Westmount, for their weekly readings to the blind.

Before concluding, I desire to record my deep gratitude to the President and other members of the Board of Directors for their valuable advice and assistance, which, I trust, have enabled me to fill to their satisfction the responsible position with

which they have honored me.

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. ASHCROFT, Superintendent.

Mackay Institution, etc., Notre Dame de Grace, Montreal.

### EXAMINATION REPORT.

The Annual Examination of this Institute was held on the 11th of this month. The examiners were the Rev. Mr. Mowatt, of Erskine Church, Rev. Mr. Bushell, of Westmount, and the Rev. Henry Kittson, of the Church of the Advent. The day was beautiful, the grounds around this most favorably-placed institution were putting on their spring attire, and the whole happy household seemed to feel the joyousness of returning summer, added to by the bright prospects of coming holidays.

The examiners expressed themselves well pleased with the result of their inquiries. They were particularly struck with the good handwriting and correct spelling of the pupils, attainments which scholars of other schools often fail to reach.

The pupils gave evidence of being familiar with the geography of the world, the history of their own country, as well as the sacred scriptures and the elementary problems of arithmetic. The answers to questions put by the examiners were given promptly and with intelligence showing that their work is not altogether mechanical, but that there is a considerable amount of mental training as well. This is evident from the marked improvement in the appearance of some of the pupils after a few months of the teachers' influence and training.

Few people are aware that there is here a department for the blind. The pupils of this class are at present few in number, but these receive the most careful attention. Their reading in raised lettered books was done with considerable ease and fluency; difficult sums in arithmetic were correctly worked on a device which is as ingenious as it is simple. Music also receives attention in this department, one of the pupils being able to read music copied by himself with a machine devised for that purpose.

The mechanical departments were visited, where printing, carpentry, shoe-making and chair-caning are taught to those who have a taste in that way. Three of the former pupils are now working in the Government printing offices at Ottawa.

The oral work of the Institute must not be forgotten. Mrs. Ashcroft, by dint of perserverence and a patience that is beyond all praise, is able to show the best results not only among children of defective hearing and speaking, but even among those who have been always and wholly deaf. After a most

careful examination of the building, the inmates and their progress, the examiners can conscientiously place the seal of their approval upon the work of an institution that deserves the hearty co-operation of the people not only in this city, but in the Dminion.

The examination closed with short but encouraging addresses from the Rev. Mr. Mowatt and Rev. Mr. Kittson, the benediction with closing prayer by Rev. Mr. Bushell.

A refreshing lunch and a most pleasant interview with the teachers and directors of the Institute ended a visit that was delightful to all present.

HENRY KITTSON, M.A.

THE SECRETARY-TREASURER IN ACCOUNT WITH THE MACKAY INSTITUTION FOR PROTESTANT DEAF-MUTES AND THE BLIND, Dr. Cr.

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COLLECTIONS.  Per F. Wolferstan Thomas\$  "Norman Wilson	1,165 50 166 25 1,331 75	Furniture Temporary. \$ Furniture Permanent. Improvement and Repairs. \$ School Requisites. Tools and Implements.	33 52 3,061 03 100 15 37 57	
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INTEREST AND DIVIDENDS.	2,568 60 3 61 2,572 21	Fuel and Light		2,429 76 797 12 108 70
Pupils' Fees SUNDRY.  SUNDRY.  SUNDRY.  Antreal General Hospital Sularies and Wages Suroceries Sularies Sularie	1,477 40  25 00 13 50 75 1 15	Salaries and Wages Advertising Druggist Sundries. Free Pupils Clothing. Travelling. GENERAL CHARGES.	74 54 130 45 46 69 35 95	
ENDOWMENT FUND.  -18 Repayment Premium Owen Soundegacy Estate Jane Abercrombie	33 34 450 00	Stationery, Post, &c. Auditor. Cars, Cabs, &c. General Sundries Superintendent Sundries. Toll. Board Money. Telephone Insurance. Fertilizer Company. Interest on Overdraft. "" Mortgage.	111 85 25 00 29 40 46 63 145 68 19 70 49 00 65 00 44 00 99 00 22 30 53 86	
BALANCE due The Molsons Bank	1,298 66	Collector's Travelling Expenses		40 00 30 15 396 16
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Montreal. 28th September, 1897.

Audited and verified.

P. S. ROSS & SONS.

Chartered Accountants.

## BALANCE SHEET MACKAY INSTITUTION FOR PROTESTANT DEAF MUTES AND THE BLIND. 31st JULY 1897.

Cr. ASSETS. LIABILITIES. 
 Drainage
 \$ 50 00

 Improvement, &c. to Building
 14,000 00

 Buildings
 \$ 12,035 59

 Legacies and Donations
 85,125 90
 97,161 49 16.500 00 Furniture..... 3.500 00 Profit and Loss.... Horse, Carriages, &c.... 200 00 17,967 04 Tools and Implements.... 700 00 Balance due The Molsons Bank ..... 4,400 00 1.298 66 Insurance McLaren, J. C. 278 50 50 00 Petty Cash, Supt..... 50 00 Endowment Fund...... 55,148 41 Interest 45 00 55,571 91 
 Land and Building
 35,500 00

 Land Donated by Mrs. Mackay
 955 28
 39,955 28 \$116,427 19 \$116,427 19

Montreal, 28th September, 1897.

Dr.

Audited and verified.

P. S. ROSS & SONS, Chartered Accountants.

### ENDOWMENT FUND SECURITIES.

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Montreal, Sept. 27th, 1897.

To the President and Managers of the Mackay Institute for Protestant Deaf Mutes.

Gentlemen,-

We have completed our usual audit of the financial transactions of the Institute as recorded in the Books of Accounts for the year ended 31st July, 1897, and find them to have been kept in excellent order.

The statements setting forth the Receipts and Disbursements for the past year and the present position of the Institution have been certified by us as being correctly drawn from the books.

We have as usual communicated with the various companies in which the monies of the Institution are invested and attach their certificates herewith, and we have examined by personal inspection the bank balances and bond securities as per enclosed statement, and find them to be correct.

Respectfully submitted,

P. S. ROSS & SONS, Chartered Accountants.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (10) ten shares of the capital stock of the Toronto Ry. Co. standing in the name of the Mackay Institute of the par value of \$100 each.

J. C. GRACE, Sec.-Treas. S.R. Co.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (10) ten shares of the capital stock of the Edwardsburg Starch Co. standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$40.00 each.

Edwardsburg Starch Co., J. D. REID, Sec.-Treas.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (81) eighty-one shares of the capital stock of the Ontario Loan and Deb. Co. standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$50.00 each.

C. H. HAYNE, Accountant. WILLIAM J. BULLER.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (80) eighty shares of the capital stock of the Canada Savings and Loan standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$50.00 each.

M. H. ROWLAND, Manager. We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (30) thirty shares of the capital stock of the Molsons Bank standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$50.00 each.

JAS. ELLIOT, Manager,
The Molsons Bank, Montreal.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (107) one hundred and seven shares of the capital stock of the Montreal Gas Company standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$40.00 each.

The Montreal Gas Company,

### Per J. L. DONALDSON,

Transfer Clerk.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (90) ninety shares of the capital stock of the Montreal Loan and Mortgage Co. standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$25.00 each.

Montreal Loan and Mortgage Company,

R. A. KYDD, Manager.

We hereby certify that on the 31st day of July, 1897, there were (75) seventy-five shares of the capital stock of the La Banque du Peuple standing in the name of the Mackay Institute, of the par value of \$50.00 each.

La Banque du Peuple, Montreal,

WM. RICHER, Asst. Cashier.

Dear Sir,-

I certify that the amount due by me under mortgage to the Mackay Institute on the 31st day of July, 1897, was (\$6,000.00) six thousand dollars.

Yours truly,

RICHARD BIRKS.

#### Montreal, 28th September, 1897.

We have verified by personal inspection, this day, the following securities belonging to the Mackay Institute for Protestant Deaf Mutes and the Blind, deposited in the Molson's Bank:

3	Owen Sound Debentures \$2000	each	 \$6000.00
2	City of New Westminster Deben-		
	tures 1000	each	 2000.00
5	Canada Colored Cotton Bonds 500		
	Equitable Securities Co. Deb 150		
1	Equitable Securities Co. Deb.		
	(deferred interest)		 45.00
10	St. John Ry. Co. Bonds 500	each	 5000.00
5	St. John Ry. Co. Bonds 100	each	 500.00
		each	 2000.00

P. S. ROSS & SONS,

Chartered Accountants.

# BY-LAWS OF THE MACKAY INSTITUTION FOR PROTESTANT DEAF MUTES AND THE BLIND.

I. For the supervision of the affairs of the Corporation there shall be a Board of Governors, which shall be composed of not more than twenty-five Life Governors, being those persons of either sex who shall have subscribed the sum of five hundred dollars or upwards to the Institution, and who shall not be in arrear on any call made on such subscribed sum, and of the Governors ex-officio as called for by the amendment to the charter consequent upon the donation of Joseph Mackay, Esq., and of a like number of Elective Governors of either sex, to be chosen and elected at Annual General Meeting of the Corporation, for one year only, from those who shall have subscribed in one sum not less than one hundred dollars to the Institution, or who shall subscribe a sum of not less than twenty-five dollars as an annual subscription for not less than five years; provided always, that no person shall be a Governor who shall not be of the Protestant faith; and that if there be more than twenty-five persons qualified to be Life Governors of the Corporation, the twenty-five persons, who being otherwise qualified have priority in the order of their subscription, shall be such Life Governors.

II. The immediate management and conduct of the Institution shall be vested in a Board of Managers, of not less than twelve in number, who shall act for three years, one-third retiring annually, as fixed by By-Law No. 10; 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 or regulation to that effect, and the Board of Managers may be in whole or in part of either sex, and shall be elected at a meeting of the Board of Governors to be held on the first Saturday of November of each year. The Board of Governors shall also then elect a President, three Vice-Presidents, three Lady Directresses, Secretary-Treasurer and Physician, who shall be members of

the Board of Managers and be elected annually.

III. The Annual General Meeting of the Corporation for the election of Governors and the transaction of business shall be held on the last Saturday in October of each year, at which meeting the scale of voting shall be as follows: For annual subscribers of not less than five dollars, and all persons paying for the maintenance or education of any inmate of the asylum, one vote; for contributors of larger sums, one vote in addition for each five dollars subscribed. But no subscriber or contributor shall have more than twenty votes.

IV. At all meetings of the Corporation, or the Board of Governors, or the Board of Managers, the voting shall be open unless a ballot

is demanded by a subscriber then present.

V. The Board of Managers shall meet on the first Thursday of each month, at which meetings, as well as those of the Board of Governors, three shall constitute a quorum. They shall have full control over the collection, investment and expenditure of all monies

belonging to the Corporation, with the exception of the purchase, mortgage or sale of real estate, any of which will require the concurrence of a majority of the Board of Governors at a meeting called for the purpose, by written notice to its members, specifying the time, place and object of the meeting a week before the date thereof.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Managers to audit, inspect and approve all accounts, and to order or refuse payment of the same, to engage and to discharge all servants to the Corporation and to fix their wages. They shall have the general charge and care of the property of the Corporation, and they shall have power and it shall be their duty to carry out and maintain these objects for which the Corporation has been established, and to oversee and control—subject to the By-Laws—everything connected with the management thereof.

The Board of Managers shall submit to the Board of Governors, at the annual meeting of the Corporation, a general report of their operations and a full statement of the accounts for the year ending the 30th June past, and these accounts and statements shall be audited before each annual meeting, by an accountant who shall be appointed for that purpose annually by the Board of Managers.

VI. All warrants for payment shall be signed by the President, or in his absence by the Vice-President and by the Secretary-Treasurer.

VII. It shall be the duty of the Secretary-Treasurere to keep regular minutes of the proceedings at the meetings of the Board of Managers, as well as of Sub-Committees, and to lay the minute book containing the same before the Board of Governors at each of their meetings. He shall also give a written notice to each member of the Board of Managers of all meetings. All accounts of expenditure shall pass through his hands, and shall be laid by him once a month before the Board of Managers for their examination and approval, preparatory to their being discharged; he shall also sign all warrants for the payment of such account, and he shall keep a correct account in the books of the Corporation of receipts and expenditures, and produce the bank-book of the Institution for the inspection of the Managers.

VIII. All and every funds and property of the Corporation shall be appropriated and applied solely for the purpose 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 the act of incorporation, subject, however, to the special provisions contained in that Act; provided always that any surplus amount shall be from time to time invested in public securities or in the security of mortgages within the City of Montreal, or in bonds of Public Institutions, or such other securities as a resolution of the Managers may direct and no other, and the said Corporation shall have power to mortgage on its immovable property all or any part of purchase money thereof, or for the purpose only of obtaining funds for the erection and maintenance of the building or buildings necessary for the Institution.

IX. The Board of Managers shall at their monthly meeting, appoint two members as a Visiting Committee whose duty it shall be to visit the Institution and supervise its management during the ensuing month.

X. The one-third of the Managers who shall retire annually sub-

ject to re-election shall be the first names on the roll of the Mana-

gers of the past year.

XI. Any vacancy caused by the death, resignation or permanent disability of any Elective Governor shall be filled by the election, by the remaining Governors, of a duly qualified person to supply his place. Any vacancy in the Board of Managers occurring by the death, resignation or permanent disability of any member thereof, shall be filled by the election, by the Board of Managers, of a qualified member to supply such vacancy, and the term of office of such person so elected shall be the same as that of the person whom he

XII. Any of these By-Laws may be altered, repealed or suspended by consent of two-thirds of the members present at the annual meeting, or at a meeting of the Board of Governors specially convened for that purpose provided that such alteration, repeal or suspension, shall have been specified in the notice summoning the meeting. A month's notice shall be given of such a meeting, and it shall be con-

vened on the written request of the subscribers.

### TERMS OF ADMISSION.

The Mackay Institution for Deaf Mutes and the Blind is a BOARD-ING SCHOOL for the education and moral and industrial training of Protestant Deaf Mutes and the Blind. It is not an asylum.

I. Any deaf and dumb child who is not deficient in intellect, not subject to fits, not labouring under any infectious disorder, has been vaccinated or has had smallpox, and is of good moral character.

II. Any partially deaf child, whose hearing is too defective to admit of his acquiring an education in the public schools.

III. Any child whose defective speech may be improved or cured by a course in the articulation classes of the Institution.

IV. The fees to be charged to paying pupils will be learned on applicataion to the Secretary or Superintendent. These fees are to be paid quarterly in ADVANCE. In poor or special cases the Managers, on presentation of the facts, may reduce their regular rates for tuition and board, and are prepared to receive indigent pupils free on a recommendation to that effect from reliable parties.

V. Pupils will be admitted into the Institution between the ages of FIVE and EIGHTEEN; special cases being older will be taken into consideration.

VI. The duties of the school will commence on the second Wednesday in September annually.

VII. The annual vacation will commence on the third Wednesday in June, when all the pupils go home for the holidays.

### THE BLIND.

- I. Any child totally blind, not subject to fits.
- II. Any child partially blind whose sight is too defective to permit of his receiving instruction in the public schools.
- \* The following questions must be answered and attested by the Minister of the Church to which the child or its parents belong, and by a Medical Practitioner: -
- \* For Application Forms for Children of DEFECTIVE SPEECH apply to the Superintendent.
  - 1. State name of child in full.
  - 2. When and where was-born?
- 3. Was-born deaf or blind, or at what age did-become deaf or blind?
  - 4. By what disease or accident did—become so?
  - 5. Is the above the physician's opinion?
  - 6. Is the deafness or blindness total or partial?
- 7. Have any attempts been made to remove the deafness or blindness, and if so, by whom and with what result?
  - 8. Has—attended any school or had any instruction? 9. Is there any ability to articulate or read the lips?
- 10. If deaf, does-make any intelligible signs or give proofs of memory?
- 11. Has—ever had any acute disease or received any bodily injury?
  - 12. Has—had epilepsy, or paralysis?
  - 13. Has—been vaccinated or had small-pox?
  - 14. Has --- had scarlet fever?
  - 15. Has-had measles?
  - 16. Has-had mumps?
  - 17. Has—had whooping cough?
  - 18. Is—generally healthy?
  - 19. Can—dress and wait on—20. Are—personal habits cleanly?
- 21. What is the name, also occupation of father?
- 22. Where was he born?
- 23. What is the name of mother?
- 24. Where was she born?
- 25. Of what religion are parents?
- 26. What is the present address of the father?
- 27. Were the parents cousins, or in any way related?
- 28. Are there any other cases of deafness or blindness in the family, either in relatives or ancestors?
- 29. What are the parents able to pay per year, for board and tuition?
  - 30. Do you know of any other deaf or blind child in your district?

### RULES AND REGULATIONS.

I. The male and female pupils while in the Institution are to be kept separate, and to remain in their respective departments, meeting together only in the school-room for instruction and worship, and in the dining-room for meals, and then they are to be in charge of a teacher, or of some other responsible person.

II. The girls, when out of school hours, to be in charge of the Housekeeper or a teacher, and when out of doors to be in charge of some responsible person appointed by the Superintendent. Nonpaying pupils are to be made useful about the Institution out of

school hours.

III. The boys out of school hours, and in the workshops, to be in

charge of a teacher or the Foreman.

IV. The boys and girls under twelve years of age, to retire at 8 p.m. punctually, the adult pupils at 9 p.m.

V. The pupils are not to leave the Institution without the permis-

sion of the Superintendent.

VI. None of the pupils are to leave, or to be kept from their regular studies, without the permission of their teachers. Hours of study to be fixed by the Superintendent. The pupils are to be in school from 9 to 12 and 1.30 to 3.30 p.m.

VII. No person, not connected with the Institution, is allowed to stay or take any meal or sleep in it without the special permission of the Superintendent. Parents of pupils cannot be accommodated with

a night's lodging.

VIII. Service to be held Sunday afternoon at 3 p.m., at which deaf mutes from the city may attend, but they are not to be allowed to go through the building without the permission of the Superintendent.

IX. The Caretaker is to see that the lights are extinguished at 10 p.m., and the premises properly secured. He is also forbidden to keep more than 20 (twenty) gallons of coal oil in the building, and he must use the greatest care with the lamps. He is also to take entire charge of the furnaces, and to see that the water tanks are kept well filled. The lighting of the range, removal of ashes, and the cleaning of the water closets are to be the Caretaker's duties. To see that two pails of water are kept standing in each bath-room for use in case of fire, and to perform all other duties assigned him by the Superintendent.

X. The junior pupils are not to have access to their bed-rooms from the morning until the time of retiring, unless with permission.

XI. The children are to proceed to and from their meals in line. XII. At the end of each table some one nominated by the Superintendent shall be placed to superintend the pupils at their meals.

XIII. The bed-rooms of the girls are to be visited by the female teacher on duty and those of the boys by the male teacher on duty, before 9.30 o'clock every night, to see that the lights are extinguished and all things in order.

XIV. It is imperative for each pupil of suitable age to devote the allotted time to whichever of the three trades, taught in the Insti-

tution, for which he exhibits the most talent.

XV. Each parent or guardian should deposit with the Superintendent a sum of not less than five dollars, to defray incidental expenses, repairs of boots, etc., any part of which remaining unexpended at the close of the session will be returned.

## COLLECTIONS MADE BY WM. SPIERS, SUMMER, 1897.

ODMONOMA	
ORMSTOWN.	Brought forward \$49 75
Baird, S \$5 00	Hunter, John \$1 00
Baird, Mrs. J 1 00	Jeakins, T. B 1 00
Bryson, Wm 1 00	Kyle, G. A 1 00
Darby, J 1 00	MacNaughton, Alex. 1 00
Darby, Mrs 1 00	McCrimmore, W 1 00
Gale, Wm 1 00	Mitchell, A. E 1 00
McConnell, J. H 1 00	Maclean, W. S 1 00
McCormick, A 1 00	Philips, A 1 00
McGerrigle, Jas 1 00	Pringle, Stark & Co 1 00
Morison, D. W 2 00	Sellar, Robt 1 00
Thomson, J 1 00	Robinson, E. N 1 00
Walsh, R. N 4 00 Wylie, Wm 1 00	Wells, C. H 1 00
Sums under 1 dollar. 2 75	Sums under 1 dollar. 50
— \$23 75	— 23 50
DEWITTVILLE.	ST. JOHNS.
McArthur, L. C 1 00	Bessell & Donaghy \$2 00
HEMMINGRODD	Cousins, C. R 1 00
HEMMINGFORD.	Goold, R 1 00
Scriver, J. M 1 00	Wright & Co 1 00
	Wildinker, G 1 00
SHERBROOKE.	— 6 00
Austin, F. J \$1 00	COATICOOK.
Edwards, J. K 1 00	Fox & Nunns \$1 00
Farwell, Wm 10 00	Lovell, C. H 1 00
Farwell, W. A 1 00	Thomas, N. W 1 00
Heneker, R. W 5 00	Sums under 1 dollar. 3 75
Wiggett, W. H 5 00	6 75
Winter, Alex 1 00	LACOLLE.
24 00	Bernard, W. C \$1 00
HUNTINGDON.	Galt, D 1 00
Boyd, D \$1 00	Hodgson, D 5 00
Boyd, M. J 1 00	Masten, J. B 1 00
Bruce, J. C 1 00	Stephenson, H 1 00
Clouston, M.D., J. R. 1 00	Van Vliet, G 1 00
Dalgleish, W. W 1 00	Van Vliet, J. T 1 00
Dewick, Chas 1 00	— 11 00
Fortune, Jas 1 00	COWANSVILLE.
Fortune, Wm 1 00	Hart, Mr. and Mrs \$1 00
Hunter, J. A 1 00	McCorkill, J. C 1 00
Hutchison, P. H 1 00	Sums under 1 dollar. 50
Huedrun, F. U 1 00	<u> </u>
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Carried forward \$49 75	Carried forward \$99 50

Brought forward	\$99 50	Brought forward \$126 00
LACHUTE.		OTTAWA.
Christie, G. H \$1 00 Christie, T 1 00 Stackhouse, Dr. B. S 1 00 Sums under 1 dollar. 4 25	7 25	Bingham, S \$1 00 Booth, J. R 2 00 Bronsons & Weston Lumber Co. 5 00 Bryson, Graham & Co. 1 00
GRENVILLE.  Owens, Mrs. D \$1 00  Wilson, Mrs. R 1 00  Sums under 1 dollar. 1 25		Eclipse Office Co.       1 00         Garland, J. M.       1 00         Haldane, J. H.       1 00         Haldane, M. S       2 00         Harris & Campbell       1 00
ROCKLAND. Edwards & Co., W. C.	3 25	Mun, J. H 1 00 Mackay Milling Co 5 00 Ormer & Son 1 00
BUCKINGHAM. McCallum, W. A \$1 00		Wanless, Geo. A 2 00 Sums under 1 dollar. 50
McLean, Mrs. J 1 00		24 50
AYLMER. Sayer, R. H \$1 00 Sums under 1 dollar. 3 00	2 00	Total \$150 50 Travelling Expenses \$ 8 00 Hotel Bill 11 00 Commission 7 50 26 50
Carried forward \$	126 00	\$124 00

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Alexander, Charles	\$10 00	Brought forward	5550 0	0
Allan, A. Montague	10 00	Jones, R. A. A	25 0	
Allan, Andrew	10 00	Learmont, Miss	20 0	0
Allan, Hugh A	10 00	Macdougall, Mrs. John	40 0	0
Angus, R. B	20 00	Mackay, Robert	100 0	0
Archbald, Hy	20 00	Mackenzie & Co., J. G	20 0	
Arnott, Mrs. C. M	15 00	McDonald, W. C	20 0	0
Ayer & Co., A. A	20 00	McLennan, Hugh	20 0	0
Belding, Paul & Co	10 00	McPherson & Co., D. A	20 0	0
Bell, Samuel	20 00	Molson, J. H. R	20 0	0
Bell, Simpson & Co	10 00	Molson, John Thomas	20 0	0
Boas, Feogore	20 00	Morrice, Sons & Co., D	20 0	
Brice, A. J	10 00	Munderloh & Co	10 0	0
Bradstreet Co., The	10 00	Nelson, H. A	10 00	0
Bruneau, Currie & Co	10 00	Ogilvie, W. W	10 00	0
Burland, S. W	20 00	Orkney, Elizabeth C	20 00	0
Carsley, S	20 00	Paton, Hugh	10 0	0
Clark, O. L	25 00	Phelps, Mrs., in Memory of		
Coristine, James	10 00	Rev. R. P	10 00	0
Costigan, W. T	10 00	Rae, Wm	25 00	0
Crathern & Caverhill	20 00	Ramsay, A	10 00	0
Date, John	10 00	Ramsay, W. M	20 00	0
Davidson Mfg. Co., The Thos.	10 00	Savage, A	10 00	0
Davis & Lawrence Co	10 00	Shorey, H	10 00	0
Dow & Co., Wm	20 00	Silverman, Boulter & Co	20 00	0
Duclos & Rayan	10 00	Small, E. A	10 00	0
Ecroyd, Thomas	10 00	Smith, Sir Donald A	20 00	0
Ewing, A. S	10 00	Sterling, J	10 00	0
Ewing, S. H	20 00	Stevenson & Blackader	10 00	0
Finley, Samuel	20 00	Stevenson, J. Alex	10 00	0
Gault Bros. & Co	20 00	Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. F.		
Gnaedinger, E. W	20 00	Wolferstan,	20 60	0
Hague, George	20 00	Thompson, James	15 00	0
Hodgson, Sumner & Co	20 00	Warrington, J. C. & G. D	20 00	0
Holden, J. C	20 00	Wilson, J. C	10 00	0
Johnston & Co., James	20 00	6 months' interest, \$3.00	50	0
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#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

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The Superintendent of the Mackay Institution for Protestant Deaf Mutes and the Blind acknowledges with sincere thanks the following favours:—

Baker, Dr. M., favours.
Birks & Sons, H., favours.
Brodie, Mrs. John entertainment of pupils.
Brodie, Mr. Robert, several barrels apples and vegetables.
Donald, Prof. J. T., favours.
Dow, Miss Jessie, \$5.00.
Gurd, Mr. Charles, six dozen bottles ginger ale.
Mackay, Mrs. Robert, several barrels of apples, clothing and vegetables.
Melville Church Sabbath School, cakes.
Sutherland, Mr. M. A., admission to Poultry Show.
Thomas, Mrs. F. Wolferstan, clothing.
Thomas, Mr. F. Wolferstan, \$5 for ice cream.
Special thanks are due Mrs. Robt. Mackay for sending her gardener to lay out the grounds, and for contributing plants for the same.

#### ENTIRELY CLOTHING ONE CHILD.

Dorcas Society, Knox Church.
King's Daughters, Westmount.
Ladies' Aid and Visiting Society, Crescent St. Church.
The I. H. N. Society, Montreal.
The Melville Church Mission.
And entirely clothing three children, The Melville Church
Ladies' Aid Society.

#### CHRISTMAS DONATIONS.

Alexander, Mr. Chas., several lbs. candies. Buchanan, Mrs. W., mutton. Clark, Mrs. O. L., two turkeys, etc. Davis Brothers, milk, etc.

Mrs. A. F. Gault, \$5.00; Mr. F. Wolferstan Thomas, \$5.00; Mr. G. H. McDowell (Gault Bros.), \$5.00; Miss Dow, \$3.00; Lady Hickson, \$2.00; Mrs. Geo. King, \$2.00; Mrs. Robert Mackay, 4 turkeys, 1 suit clothes, 1 overcoat; Miss Learmont, 4 turkeys; Mrs. Morrice, 1 turkey and beef; Mr. O. L. Clarke, 1 turkey and mutton; Mrs. W. F. Buchanan, mutton; Mr. Chas. Alexander, a fruit cake; Messrs. Stewart & Herbert, a fruit cake; Mrs. F. Wolferstan Thomas, 4 prs. skates; Mrs. Wm. Paterson, 2 prs. skates; Miss A. Macfarlane, 1 pr. skates; Mr. Wm. Smardon, 1 pr. skates; Mr. Chas. Tollington, numerous toys; Mr. Walter Paul, 6 wreaths evergreen; Mr. A. A. Perry, 5 wreaths evergreen; Davis Bros., 3 gallons milk and Xmas trees; Mr. John Brodie, entertainment of pupils; Mr. Drysdale, Xmas cards.

### CATALOGUE OF PUPILS IN ATTENDANCE.

### SESSIONS 1896-97.

Boys—		C
Name.	Post Office.	County.
Armstrong, Henry	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Brethour, George	. Ormstown	Chateauguay.
Barley, Norman	. Carillon	Argenteun.
Barry, John	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Barry, Joseph		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Boas, William		A
Barry, Joseph Boas, William Brisbois, Henrique	Grenville	Argenteun.
Caldwell, Herbert	New Carlisle	Donaventure.
Campbell, James	Lochaber	Argenteun.
Coffin, Percy	Gaspe Basin	Gaspe.
Cooke, William	. Montreal	. Hochelaga.
Ellwood, Herbert	Compton	Compton.
Fenn, Henry	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Foster, William	"	
Fenn, Henry Foster, William. Gamble, Charles Gorman, Archie Hall, Harold.		"
Gorman, Archie		
Hall, Harold	Perth	Untario, Can.
Harvey John	. Montreal	Hocheraga.
Hughes, John	Belerica	Ottawa.
Jones, Albert.	Bedford	Missisquoi.
King, George	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Laycock, George		
lusk Owen	Avimer	., Ottawa.
Nichol, Clarence	Flatlands	New Brunswick.
McPhee, Duncan	Poltimore	Ottawa.
Paterson, Grantly	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Payne, George	Quebec	Quebec.
Roman, Abraham	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Shepard, Dwight	Foster	Compton.
Shouldice. Thomas	Wakefield	Ottawa.
Skidmore, Francis	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Spiers, William A	Québec	Quebec.
Staniforth, Charles	Arundel	Montealm.
Stowart Albert H	Howick	Chateauguav.
TIL William	Montroal	Hochelaga
Upton, Henry Walker, Arthur S.	"	. "
Walker, Arthur S		
GIRLS—		CI .
Brethour, Caroline	Ormstown	Chateauguay.
Brisbois, Alice	Grenville	Argenteull.
Chapman, Hester F	St. John's	Newfoundland.
Cushing, Ruby Dutton, Lillian F	Dixville	Compton.
Dutton, Lillian F	Moe's Biver	
Franklyn Elizabeth	Riceville	Untario, Can.
Gale, Genevra	South Dnrham	Drummond.

Name.	Post Office.	County.
Griffith, Ethel	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Gear, Grace		"
Harvey, Annie	66	
Hurdman, Jessie	Mattawa	Nipissing, Ont.
Knott, Adelaide	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Littlefield, Edith Bell	Scotstown	
McLeod, Christina	Harrington	Argenteuil.
Madore, Ellen M	Radford	Ottawa.
Moore, Mina	Windsor Mills	Richmond.
Morrison, Annetta	Barnston	Stanstead.
Peardon, Beatrice	Capelton	Sherbrooke.
Percy, Edith	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Rousseau, Pauline		
Stacy, Laura	Montreal	Hochelaga.
Walker, Annie	"	
Walker, Annie	"	
Wiggett, Henrietta	Sherbrooke	Sherbrooke.

Boys, 37; Girls, 24; Total, 61.

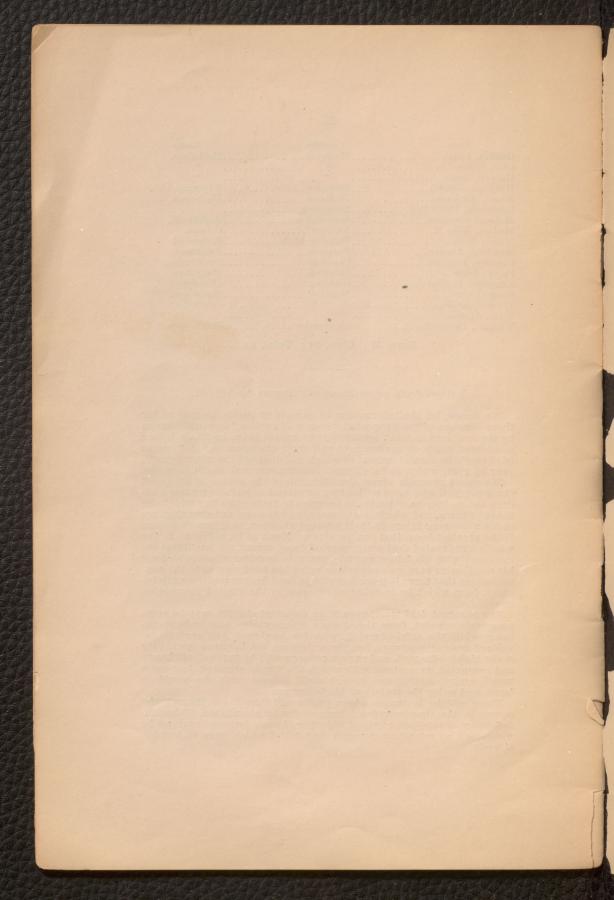
### Extract from Superintendent's Report for 1890-91.

We desire, for the information of parents of pupils, as well as for those desirous of knowing what "course of studies" is usually taken by the deaf and to what proficiency we expect them to attain before considered ready to graduate, to call their attention to our "course of study," the careful perusal of which will indicate the advancement, year by year, which an intelligent, industrious pupil ought to make.

We would specially direct the attention of the course of study. of those parents, who have withdrawn or intend to withdraw their children before they have made the progress in their education which the School affords, and which is necessary, and to point out that they are doing a life-long injury to their afflicted children, to whom education is the greatest boon that can be given. Much to be pitied as is the wholly uneducated deaf mute, shut off from almost all intelligent intercourse with his fellow mortals, yet it is doubtful whether he feels his position as keenly as one whose mind has been opened to the consciousness that there is more knowledge (and higher positions attainable), from which he is debarred, because of the limited instruction received.

The ignorant deaf mute, even if an object of charity, may be comparatively content, from the absence of knowledge and understanding; while the semi-educated, with his awakened and crudely developed reasoning powers, has the ambitions, but is minus the ability of the highly educated, and cannot consequently be particularly happy and contented, in contrast with which the "well educated deaf mute may" aspire, attain, and keep himself abreast with the world at large, and enjoy the society of his fellowmen.

There will be instances where pupils will "not" get through the course in the time specified. Irregularity in attendance, ill-health, deficiency of intellect, physical defect or chronic laziness, may all be mentioned as retarding elements, and all of which have to be considered.





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