

Hon. Richard McBride and Dr.
J. S. Helmcken Deliver
Addresses

But I am making mention of these very good and distinguished women we must not forget the name and memory of her who so very near and so very dear to thousands in this province is Sister Mary Providence, whose very name was during her most useful life-time in consequence of the most generous and disinterested labors so broad and charitable viewed, as she was so happily endowed, became almost a household word throughout this great province. (Applause.) And in connection with these opening ceremonies we should bear in mind and bestow the kindest and best thoughts to the noble and useful woman, the part which she played in the history of this country, and particularly along the lines of charitable work.

The Onward March

"I need not tell you to what extraordinary advances have been accomplished in the science of medicine of late years. The most useful improvements have been created in the most important department of surgery, while improvements will undoubtedly be made in the future from time to time, as skill increases and knowledge is extended. (Hear, hear.) But, ladies and gentlemen, it is a much more serious matter to be considered, even it is to cure disease (hear, hear) and it is this department of knowledge which is engaging the closest attention of the public mind in the medical profession today. (Applause.) It does upon reflection, however, seem to me that this noble animal, man, can fall no more easily a victim to the insidious attacks of a miserable, abominable little bacillus than he can fall a victim to any other epidemic thing can quickly and utterly destroy our noble selves. (Laughter.) For it is indeed strange that man should be so easily overcome by intelligence and with all his science

St. Joseph's hospital began its useful career in a somewhat unpretentious building in 1874, at 137 Dundas street, when the portion of the hospital, which fronts upon Collinson street, was erected. Since then two considerable additions have been made on accommodations, the last having occurred so recently as 1896, and hence the hospital is now a very extensive series. The doors and the walls are absolutely fireproof, while the exhaust apparatus, which is supplied by the city, is of the best. The company of Toronto, is, of course, located in a portion of the basement, and the hospital is supplied with heat by means of a traveler system the ashes, whatever quantity may have accumulated, being removed daily, and used expeditiously. As removal from a considerably higher level when it is necessary, the hospital is built on the ground floor of the older wing, the second floor of the new is provided with a large number of exits to prevent undesirable confusion, when the addition is opened for actual use, the hospital is nominally closed. As the floor was built with ample provision

and in the same proportions the fourth floor is and will be exclusively reserved for women. The bath rooms and lavatories are also conveniently accessible, every part of the equipment being completely aseptic.

The x-ray room, which has been built strictly in accordance with the regulations of the Health Department, is situated upon the fourth floor, and will be under the charge of Dr. Rudolph Nelson.

Dr. D. C. Kitchener, the attractive and unassuming diet kitchen is located upon every floor except the fifth, which will be reserved for nurses' dormitories, when further expansion of the hospital by the institution may, and no doubt will, become necessary. The whole building is completely equipped for electricity by means of the electric light, and just so soon as the price of the current drops sufficiently and reaches the point which will make the use of electricity commercially possible, electricity will also be utilized in all these splendidly equipped kitchens for the purpose of heating and of cooking all the food which will be supplied to the hospital.

Work Progressing

In the laying of the salt water, high pressure, twelve inch main, Government, the large salt water main, and Herald street, considerable blasting is necessary owing to the nature of the rock. The large amount of work is employed on the work which is being rapidly pushed and will be completed by the end of the month of this week. The work on the street has been laid and a start will be made on the Store street and the work will be continued through to Pembroke street.

The Canadian Olympic lacrosse team, Eastern exchange, are in consideration. They assert that the twelve players which the two Westerners, Turnbull and Macdonald, are associated, is the strongest and ablest team in the country ever been gathered together in the Dominion.

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