

gratitude for the amounts that came into our treasury from these sources, which were very considerable. Possibly it may be some satisfaction to many of those who contribute so lovingly, so freely, and often as the result of great self-denial, to the support of our little sick ones to know that they are frequently remembered in prayer on Friday morning, and that blessings are asked of the Heavenly Father for them and for their loved ones.

1891-92.

Nothing of importance occurred during the winter. The staff of nurses and helpers was enlarged, the number of sick children rapidly increased, and the work of furnishing steadily progressed. Many were the gifts sent in for this purpose, each one with a little history of its own.

The Queen street Methodist Sunday school, through Mr. C. T. Paull, the superintendent, donated the sum of \$400 to furnish a ward containing six beds, \$100 of which was expended in wheeled chairs. The Yonge street Methodist Sunday School sacrificed their Christmas treat, \$50, to furnish a cot, and the Hebrew ladies of Toronto sent \$50 to furnish a cot. Dr. and Mrs. Ryerson kindly furnished the nurses' sitting room at an expenditure of \$20. Other additional gifts for furnishing were sent in, amounting in all to \$6,614 96. These contributions for the furnishing came through *The Evening Telegram*, and general appeals for aid. The voluntary contributions for maintenance are also greatly in excess of any previous year. (See Treasurer's statement). In the autumn and early winter the Hospital was threatened with an epidemic of diphtheria but through the blessing of God the disease was stayed. The facilities for isolation in the new Hospital are only complete and this doubtless materially assisted the physicians in dealing with the difficulty. Two cases proved fatal, and in a short time the usual work was resumed.

THE COLLEGE STREET HOSPITAL

was opened on the 6th May, 1892. The day was stormy, but this did not deter hundreds of visitors from attending. Among the gentlemen present were Mr. J. Ross Robertson, Revs. Dr. Potts, Arthur Baldwin, D. J. Macdonnell, W. F. Wilson, J. A. Turnbull, James Grant, Dr. Parsons, Dr. McTavish, Prof. Goldwin Smith, W. H. Howland, Dr. Chamberlain, Rev. W. Brookman, Mr. S. Rogers, Mr. A. M. Smith, Col. J. I. Davidson, Mr. John Harvie and many others. Mr. Geo. A. Cox and Mr. E. B. Osler were absent through important business engagements outside the city. Mr. Robertson presided, and after devotional exercises and numerous congratulatory addresses Mrs. McMaster declared the Hospital formally opened in the following words: "It has devolved upon me to pronounce the Hospital for Sick Children formally opened. May God, our stay in the past, continue with you and provide for the future. May the doors of the new building swing widely open at the cry of any suffering child, and the same spirit of love and sympathy rest within for Christ's sake, amen." At the close of this impressive prayer, Mrs. McMaster, who owing to circumstances which necessitated her removal to Chicago, was presented with an engrossed address, a purse of gold and an album of Hospital photographs. Miss Underhill, who had for some years been connected with the Hospital staff, was appointed Superintendent.

In June the children, all those who were sufficiently convalescent for the trip, made their usual "fitting" to The Lakeside Home where they revelled in fresh air, bright sunshine, nourishing food, and sand, (not mud) pies. A new feature this year has been the opening of a school in the Hospital, for convalescent children, or surgical cases, the treatment of which does not prevent them from walking or playing about. Under the able management of Miss Sams as teacher, the school has become an important part of the regime of the institution. Thanks are due to Dr. McKenzie for the suggestion which led to the establishment of the school. Most of the work is done on the kindergarten plan, and is not tiresome but light and pleasant. Miss Sams continued the sessions during part of the summer at The Lakeside.

The number of cots sustained by friends, Sunday schools, etc., has increased in a marked degree during the past few months. The cost of maintaining a cot per year is \$100; of furnishing \$50. A complete list of the maintained cots is given below:—

LIST OF CASES MAINTAINED IN HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN FOR 1892.

	Es'd.	By Whom Maintained.
1. Rolleston Cot.....	1875	Mrs. Neville's School.
2. Violet Cot.....	1878	His Honour Judge Ardagh, Barrie.
3. Orillia Cot.....	1880	The people of Orillia.
4. Consolidated Cot.....	1880	Ladies' Committee.
5. Faith Cot.....	1880	Half by St. Peter's S. S.
6. Our Cot.....	1883	Queen Street Methodist S. S.
7. I. O. O. F. Cot.....	1883	I. O. O. F. of Toronto.