

I would like to tell how God answered our prayer for the money to buy this property, and what made us decide to undertake the purchase. Our Hospital stands about 42 feet from the Avenue, and between stood a Cottage, at the back of which, and close under our west window were the out-houses of the same, which quite prevented us from opening our windows on that side. Besides this, the neighbors, to prevent being overlooked by us, had placed boards against it, thus shutting out a great portion of light, and every glimpse of sunshine. The tenants were of the poorest class, and quarrelling and fighting was no uncommon occurrence under our windows. The back sheds and premises of the houses on Emma Street adjoined those on Elizabeth Street, and ran parallel with our verandah, the only place to which we could carry our little patients in summer to breathe the air and bask in the sunshine. Typhoid fever broke out in one of these tenements, and that decided us. Those houses must be removed, and the only way was to buy them. From time to time we had paid into the Bank any monies that came marked for "Building purposes," and of this we had \$255. We called a meeting of the Trustees, who advised us to buy this property; and so we at once fervently asked our Heavenly Father to send us sufficient for this purpose; the price of the land first mentioned being \$1,900. We were able to pay down \$1,000 on the day of purchase, March 1st,* the remainder to be paid in January, 1883, with interest at 6 per cent. Each time we met for prayer, we asked God to send in the sum required by the time it was due, and on January 2nd we joyfully thanked Him for His goodness, as we paid the balance of the purchase money; in all \$1,953.

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* The detailed account of the money received will be found in the Trustees' Report and the Secretary's Diary.

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