

appreciation of the "very patriotic, liberal and courteous manner which the doctors have shown towards the necessities of the dependents."

I beg leave to call your attention to the "pegged map" of the city, showing the distribution of doctors who have volunteered for patriotic relief work. From this it will be seen that there is a dearth of volunteering physicians in some of the suburban districts, and Miss McColl, who is in charge of the Patriotic Fund Medical Bureau, asks that a further appeal be made to the doctors in Weston, Lambton, Swansea and the eastern districts, particularly in view of the advent of hot weather and the likely increase of morbidity among infants and children. She also suggests that the physicians giving free services should refuse to accept patients unless they apply through the Patriotic Fund Medical Bureau—unless at night or on Sunday, when the office is closed—as in this way we would help to safeguard the interests of the doctors and lessen imposition.

I beg herewith to give statistical report from April 1, 1915, to April 1, 1916.

No. of Physicians giving Free Services.....	196
No. of Chemists giving Free Drugs.....	66
No. of Cases reported to Bureau.....	2,350
No. of Obstetrical Cases reported to Bureau.....	807
No. of Cases referred to Physicians.....	1,430
No. of Cases referred to Hospitals.....	371
No. of Victorian Order Nurses paid by Pat. Fund.....	302
No. of Practical Nurses paid by Pat. Fund.....	109
No. of Housekeepers paid by Pat. Fund.....	188
No. of St. Elizabeth Nurses who gave services free to Roman Catholic patients	10
No. of Visits of Public Health Nurses.....	10,711

H. B. ANDERSON, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE HOSPITAL SUPPLIES.

The Committee on Hospital Supplies desires to report to the Council and to the Academy another year of sustained activity along the lines committed to its charge.

Money has been secured, supplies have been purchased and dressings have been turned out in a continuous stream. These dressings after sterilization have been soldered up in tin boxes and sent to the front through Red Cross agencies. With their ultimate distribution, your Committee has not thought it wise to interfere. The various overseas hospitals make known their needs, and are informally assisted in their work as far and as fast as the resources of the Red Cross Society admit.

Our work upon dressings has been made possible through the con-