

ing these alterations, it was however, determined to keep expenditure within income, and not allow the incurring of debt to again interfere with its deliberations, or the satisfactory working of the hospital.

The question of membership in the Homœopathic association being included with annual subscriptions of elective life governors was discussed, and it was decided that in future the secretary of the Homœopathic Association should receive notice at the end of the year of all elective governors qualifying by donation to hospital of \$10. Such governors to become members of the Association without further payment of fees, and the hospital to credit the Association with a donation of \$2.00 for each subscribing governor.

A letter from Mr. Ogden expressing his warmest thanks and eminent satisfaction for the care and attention given him during his stay as a patient in the hospital was read and received with great pleasure by the governors and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Progress was reported in the getting out of the Annual Report, much delay having been occasioned by the proofs not being corrected and returned in time by the various departments. It was expected to be ready for distribution early next month. There being no further business the meeting adjourned, after which the governors inspected the hospital, viewing the renovations and proposed improvements. The next quarterly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 25th.

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In England 500 people a year die of hunger, 100 of whom are inhabitants of London.

Every practitioner, Dr. Ransford E. Van Giesen thinks, should be a good cook. Even the best trained nurses are often woefully ignorant on this matter, and the medical attendant should always be ready to give exact instructions as to the proper preparation of diet, and, if need be, to prepare it himself.

#### LETTER.

The following letter read at the quarterly meeting of the Governors is published by permission of the writer. The sentiments expressed therein are gratifying to all concerned, and the encouraging words of appreciation give evidence of the interest in the welfare of our institution.

March 25th, 1903.

"J. T. Hagar, Esq.

President Montreal Homœopathic Hospital:—

Dear Mr. Hagar,—I wish to express to you and the managing committee my appreciation of the treatment received by me during the time I was confined to the hospital. I found everything to be as nice in every way, as could possibly be looked for. The extreme cleanliness and brightness of everything is particularly noticeable: Meals in themselves and in their service could not be better, and the attentions of all, the House Doctor, the Lady Superintendent, and nurses, are as careful and good as can be found anywhere, and I was particularly glad to notice that these attentions were given equally to public patients as they were to private patients.

There is only one thing that I think I should call attention to, and that is in connection with the Maternity Ward. It is not fair to either the Lady Superintendent, the nurses or the other patients, that it should in any way disturb the other wards, and I would strongly urge that measures be taken, so that the ward should take care of itself, and not compel the nurses to leave other wards to go to it. Babies, owing, I suppose, to the contrariness of human nature, seem to take particular delight in arriving at night, and therefore the disturbance in the other wards is more noticeable than it would otherwise be.

I can only speak, however, in words of highest praise of the Hospital, and all the attendants connected therewith.

Yours very truly,  
I. G. OGDEN.