

emergency, in fact one paper of your examination was specially on that line. I am glad that you have understood these cases so thoroughly, because then you must act without the aid of your physician. Then you must rely upon yourself, your decisions be right or wrong, and you can very easily see the tremendous consequences which may

RESULT BY DOING WHAT WAS WRONG.

Again, while you must act in cases of emergency, it is only for the moment. You will see that the physician is by the bedside as soon as possible, and upon a careful study of your cases followed out upon the lines which you have been taught here you will soon become thoroughly acquainted with your duties as nurses, and I know that you cannot fail. You have my best wishes. I congratulate you upon your success, and in future years I trust you will feel that your time has not been wasted here. I do not say that I hope you will always remain nurses. I should not mind particularly if you should by-and-by get married. In the meantime have patience and courage in anticipating the time when you will assume the duties for which you have been in training here. (Applause.)

The Chairman introduced Mayor Kennedy by saying—"In asking the Mayor to now say a few words to you and afterwards to present the medals, permit me to state that one of the cots in this Hospital is supported by the employes in his warehouse, and is known as 'The Samson, Kenneby Cot,' and that we number some of our warmest friends among the gentlemen in that establishment."

HIS WORSHIP'S ADDRESS

The Mayor—I desire, Mr. Chairman, and ladies and gentlemen, to thank you for the honor which you have done me in asking me to be present with you this afternoon. I feel it an honor to be here on such an occasion, and to accept the part which you have assigned to me in distributing these certificates and medals to the ladies who have passed through their course of study, and whose examination has been, as Dr. Chamberlain has stated, of the most satisfactory character. I was greatly impressed by the doctor's remarks. He is an eminently practical man, and we know he speaks from experience. He has visited so many institutions of this kind that he is well qualified to speak on the subject, and to compare one with another, and he has placed this among the hospitals of its character at the head of all. It is very gratifying to know, Mr. Chairman, that we have in Toronto such an institution. I have often admired your great devotion to this Hospital for Sick Children, and to day I realise more than ever that

it is something which merits your devotion. The object is a grand one. The motive is Christlike—doing good to these little ones who need special care and protection. I was one day greatly impressed by a picture—a steel engraving, I think it was—of a Jewish mother, sitting with her sick child on her knee, attenuated, pale and dying. But Christ came near, and, placing His hand on the child's head, He healed it. Sir, when I came into this building, I discovered that in it there was a magnificent memorial window, executed by one of the greatest artists in the world, a window that tells the same story of "Christ Healing the Sick Child." We cannot heal the sick children committed to our care, that is, some of them are beyond the possibility of being cured, but we can alleviate their sufferings, we can care for their wants, we can do good to their bodies, and we can remove a great deal of the disease with which they are afflicted, and in this we are acting in a Christlike way, and Christ will recognize this in the great day of distributing rewards. "Inasmuch as ye did it unto the least of these, My little ones, ye did it unto Me." Now, sir, there is a great satisfaction in doing work for Christ. I have thought of the influence of our holy Christianity. Heathenism or infidelity does nothing of this kind; erects no hospitals for sick children, establishes no home for incurables, endows no charities of any kind. These are the outflowings of our holy and blessed Christianity. The doctrines of our religion teach us these things, no as in India, where a mother will cast her child into the Ganges for her sin. That we cannot witness in this country, and even there it is fast disappearing under the powerful influence of our religion.

AN ADMIRABLE INSTITUTION.

"Sir, I have often admired this institution. You have referred to the fact that some of my employes have contributed annually to the support of a cot. Nothing which they ever did pleased me more. When one suggested to his fellows that they should contribute to the support of a cot in this Hospital the matter was promptly taken up, and has been carried on ever since. I have received a great deal of information from yourself and Dr. Chamberlain regarding this institution. You very kindly conducted me through its wards and corridors, and its beauty and cleanliness and the practical character of everything in connection with it are astonishingly perfect. Everything seems to be perfect. I agree with you that the people of Toronto are not aware of the grandeur of the institution in our midst called the Hospital for Sick Children. I

believe many are ignorant of the done here, but I trust the press who are here to-day will make a reference to this, and ask to come to this institution upon reserved for visitors, so that those thoroughly acquainted with the done here. You have heard, all trustees have been doing much in becoming responsible for large is the duty of the public to contribute relief and to ease the burden of the institution. I am told that the receipt of current expenses, but do nothing the liquidation of the debt, which paid some day or other by the this province. They must contribute relief, Mr. Robertson, and to your fellow-trustees.

AWARDING THE HONOR

"We now come to the most important of the afternoon's duties. It is an honor you have assigned to me to accept gladly. I have much to presenting you with these certificates, medals, and trust that you will receive them with pleasure in after years. I doubt that those who present your tributes to your efficiency—no the medical faculty—consider you have earned them well and honestly.

The names of the graduates are: Miss Jane L. Gray, Cecilia M. L. Rogers, Hattie Woodland, Christina McLaughart, Bella M.

When the certificates had been read to each nurse, and a medal presented to each, the Mayor said: "Mr. Chairman, you will say that my work well."

To this the Chairman replied: "It is necessary for the Mayor to express his opinion of opinion from me. I am glad to perform this duty for you, and I am satisfied that he would be creditably. He does everything."

"I have asked Mr. A. M. Smith, one of the trustees, to say a word. Mr. Smith says he would prefer to do so, but I feel so sure that you will have him speak to you that I must insist."

MR. SMITH, RISING

"Mr. Mayor, Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,—I did not come here with a view of making a speech, nor do I make one. I have seen the Hospital very frequently on my visits to the hospital, and I have noted the efficiency which they have in their duties. I have often admired their self-sacrifice. It would be a thing if the friends of this institution