



## *A Nurses' Home Necessary*



**A** PRINCIPAL factor in connection with all well organized hospitals is a training school and separate home for nurses. Young women in this institution enter on a three-year term. One feature which has militated more than any other against the John H. Stratford hospital has been want of sleeping accommodation for the nursing staff, which has necessarily restricted the number of nurses out of all proportion to the growth of the hospital. To-day there is no greater number than existed in the early stages of the institution, when its bed capacity was 35. At the present moment, with the addition of the Isolation hospital, the bed capacity is 80.

To get best results, nurses must be educated in the home training school, not only in the high art of nursing, cooking, massage, general efficiency and other factors that go to make up a reliable, useful woman for hospital work, as well as outside nursing in the homes of our citizens at a moderate charge, while it is imperative there should be a relay at all times to draw from in case of epidemic or serious accident. This is a cardinal rule in all well-equipped hospitals.

To the doctor in attendance on the patient a trusty nurse is simply invaluable—to the patient, absolutely indispensable, while it is conceded by the profession that two-thirds of all the recoveries, especially in typhoid, come from good day and night nursing and best sanitary surroundings. The history of the nurses' splendid work should be more largely written and more largely studied in every home.

It is for a Nurses' Home that the W. H. A. of the John H. Stratford hospital is now working and that the Poster Show is being held. The object is a very worthy one, and it is not surprising that it is being heartily supported by all classes of Brantford's citizens.



THE PROPOSED NURSES' HOME