

The sadness which arises at the absence of these old familiar faces, is sometimes accompanied by the thought, that the succeeding generation does not appear to have the same kindly sympathy and disposition to aid liberally, those needful Institutions which are established among us for the relief of the unfortunate, the sick and the distressed.

We have faith, however, in the promptings of humanity, and a full and just appreciation of the generosity of those conscientious and regular contributors, who do not grow weary in well doing, year by year. To all such we tender not only our hearty thanks, but also a new subscription list on which to write their names.

The Directors are happy to state that the reduction in the amount of the City grant referred to in a previous report, was only temporary. When the matter was fully and fairly represented on its merits before the City Council, that body kindly voted again the original subsidy of \$750 per annum. The larger portion of the grant for this year, is yet to be paid, and forms the nucleus of further funds expected to come in for current unavoidable expenditure of the Dispensary.

The necessity and reasons for an appeal to the liberality of the public on behalf of this Institution are now to be mentioned.

The same causes which operate to a large extent in reducing the financial income, unfortunately tend to create a greater demand upon its treasury and special undertakings. The supply of medicines has to be augmented; the calls upon the time and services of the medical staff are being steadily increased, and though the greatest care and strict