

on October 1st. Our patients have been very equally divided as to sex, there being 110 men and 132 women. Nearly all were adults, there being only 22 children of 15 years and under.

The number received from the General Hospital or paid for by the city has been 199, while 43 have been sent by friends, churches, etc., or have paid for themselves. We are glad to notice an increase in this class, and hope that in time the Home will be filled by it. They are, generally speaking, our best and most respectable patients, and this class was specially in the donor's mind when she provided the Home. This year again there are a few cases for whom no remuneration has been received. Nearly half of our patients are English, Canadians coming next on the list.

Special mention should be made of the two deaths that occurred at the Home. One, E. D., was a young Englishman in rapid consumption, who, through a slight irregularity, obtained admission to the Home. The disease developed rapidly, and when the attention of the physician in charge was called to him, he was too ill to be moved, and he died after a very few days' suffering. As we said, he was admitted by mistake; for, for the good of the other patients, we are obliged to exclude consumptives, not having sufficient room to isolate them, but we can hardly regret that the last days of the friendless, helpless stranger were solaced by the kindness of our good Matron to whom he was deeply grateful. After his death the Board received most warm letters from his friends in England, thanking them for all the kindness he had received.

The other was that of Mrs. M., whose case was mentioned in our last report. She had been with us so long that she looked upon Hillcrest as her home, "the very best 'Home' in the world," and dreaded being sent away so much, that though it was perhaps rather against the rules none of us had the heart to insist upon it. It was pathetic to see the earnestness with which, though she was gradually fading away, she

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