

from one to three weeks, under sheltered and most favorable conditions. Many ailing ones gained strength and vigor, and all were refreshed and better fitted for the labors of the winter as a result of their sojourn at New Orchard Beach. That this undertaking was needed, that the selection and site of property were wise, has been established beyond dispute during the heated term. Lack of room compelled us to refuse admittance to many. We hope to secure funds this winter, sufficient to enable us to make some much-needed improvements, which will increase our accommodation.

This is the first year that the hand of death has been felt among us. In the freshness and brightness of early young womanhood, she who was dearly beloved passed out from our midst into the presence of the Father.

In this outline, we have sought to review for you the lines along which we have labored. The possibilities of our work are great. The honor-clad heights of noble and true hearted womanhood invite us onward. Let us press toward the shining mark.

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord."

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