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OUR DONATION.

We would direct attention to the munificent donation of Mrs. Francis Scholes noticed elsewhere in the present number of the Record. It will be recalled by some of our readers that about three years ago Mrs. Scholes gave another practical proof of her interest in our good work by a gift of \$500.00, adding to this, on two subsequent occasions the sums of \$200.00 and has at various times materially assisted the hospital's enterprises.

Mrs Scholes is the widow of one who was much interested in homœopathy, and its growth in Montreal; the late Francis Scholes, Esq., in his lifetime, one of our most respected citizens. Mr. Scholes' experience with homœopathy began not so many years since, under the skilful treatment of our friend Dr. Wm. McHarrie, at that time of Montreal and connected with our hospital, and now, of Seattle, Wash.

PAINTING.

The financial position of our hospital being now an easier one, than we have occupied since the institution was opened in 1894, the time seems meet and proper, for the inauguration and prosecution of some, of the many needed improvements, the management has had in contemplation, for the past year, and which were kept in abeyance thought lack of funds. It has been the aim of the management to practice economy, almost to the straining point, so long as we could not meet our obligations, thereby preventing the carrying out of much needed repair and improvement work. The time has now arrived when some of this must be done as a means of economy if for no other reason; for instance, the repainting of the hospital interior is absolutely necessary and the, sooner it is done the less it will cost. Such a measure would be one of economy, as well as enhancing the value of our hospital and adding to its earning ability. The cost of this improvement would be in the neighborhood of \$600.00.

With the experience of the past few years still fresh in our minds, we do not eagerly seek after another struggle with the debt question and consequently must ask our friends to aid us in this special work. Our hospital has the reputation of being the neatest and best appointed small hospital in Canada and we must live up to our reputation, which by the way,