

The bequests this year have been as follows :—

BEQUESTS, 1894.

Mr. P. B. Stewart.....	\$7,841 45	Mrs. Alice Bilton.....	1,000 00
Mr. John Buckley.....	200 00	Mr. Alexander Lawrie.....	1,000 00

These handsome legacies coming to us from time to time are a source of much encouragement, and we trust that friends in disposing of their wealth, will continue to remember the little sick children who are depending upon us for care and treatment.

Our schoolroom under the loving supervision of Miss Sams, is a happy spot, not only a place of training, but of enjoyment for the little patients who are convalescing.

Our workroom is a busy place. The mending required for this large family of children is simply incalculable, besides the making of new garments. One of the members of committee has taken charge of this department, including the purchasing of new material, etc. She has been assisted by a number of earnest workers, who have met every Wednesday to cut out, make and mend. Another member of the committee has undertaken to have all the stockings of the children darned at her expense, and this is no small undertaking.

During the summer several ladies residing on the Island very kindly assisted with the mending, also making numberless new garments for the children. As usual Santa Claus visited the Hospital for Sick Children at Christmastide, and in his sleigh, with the tinkling bells, which seemed as if it had been drawn, by the strong pony that trotted in with it, to the wards through many a snow-drift, was a gift for every boy and girl in the building.

At Easter, a wonderful box came as an Easter offering from the friends at Richmond Hill; this box contained eggs, fruit, toys, etc., etc., a most acceptable and useful gift.

A request was made through *The Telegram* for contributions of canned fruit, and we are pleased to say that about one hundred and twenty quarts of fruit have been received in response. The "Pansy Band" have been very faithful in their distribution of flowers in the wards throughout the entire year; and we have to thank the florists of the city who have so generously sent quantities of cut flowers, which are greatly appreciated by all.

The training school for our nurses has been carried on as usual under the efficient supervision of the lady superintendent, Miss Underhill. Any report which the committee might make of the work of the hospital would be incomplete without reference to the able and faithful services of Miss Underhill, and in all her various loving duties and responsibilities, she is supported and seconded by the nurses and other members of the staff.

THE LAKESIDE HOME.

On June 12th about fifty children were removed to their beautiful summer home on the Park Point, Toronto Island. Mr. E. W. Gardner, Mr. J. Sinclair Robertson, Rev. A. H. Manning and others kindly assisted in this work of love. All were safely transferred, and the delight of some of the children who had been in the Hospital for months knew no bounds when they found themselves in the open air, and especially "sailing in a boat when the tide runs high." Many were the enjoyments during the long summer days at the Lakeside. The convalescents took off their shoes and stockings and played in the sand, and by special permission some of the "wellest ones" waded in the lake. They had processions, with bands and musical instruments of all kinds, teas, parties, etc., etc. Some of the members of the committee who were at home during the weeks the children were at the Island interested themselves greatly in these recreations. Among others Mrs. Heron and Mrs. Snider may be specially mentioned.

In all 150 children enjoyed the benefits of this pleasant, breezy summer home, and when at length the "flag went down," as a signal for the return to the city, many little hearts were heavy. The children were safely removed to the city Hospital on Friday, September 28th. We wish to offer our Thanks to the Toronto Ferry Company for their very great kindness in so generously providing passes for the season for our resident physicians, lady superintendent, housekeeper and nurses. It is impossible to mention a hundredth part of the gifts, attentions, loving services, donations of things beautiful and useful received during the year at the Hospital, but all of them are acknowledged with gratitude, and all, even the simplest and humblest, are precious to the Lord, who has received them all as bestowed upon Himself: "Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying, 'Whea saw we Thee sick and came unto Thee?' Then shall He answer them, saying, 'Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me.'"

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