

However desirable it might seem to have paid off the whole, the debt has not been and is not felt to be a burden.

Under these circumstances the Trustees have advised the Committee to appropriate to the purchase of the other lands, and to the enlargement of the building, whatever moneys may be available for Building purposes, rather than attempting at present to pay off the mortgage.

Money contributed for any special purpose is, of course, applied only to that object, and therefore the \$200 just mentioned, could not, without the consent of the donors, be diverted to the purchase of land or extension of the building. But, assuming such consent to be given, as it probably will, there is now a sum of about \$1,500 available. This is composed of the two sums of \$200 and \$255 already mentioned, of \$705 granted to the Hospital by the Ontario Government, under the Charities' Act, and of a legacy of \$200 from Mrs. Arch. McNab.

It cannot be definitely stated what amount will be required for the purchase of the land in question, and it is not yet known whether more than the one lot is for sale. No estimate has been attempted of what will be required for building purposes, as that must depend on how other matters turn out. But what is certain is that the present fund of \$1,500 will not suffice to pay for one of the lots, and the Committee must depend for the further amounts required, upon the Source from which all the wants of the Hospital have hitherto been supplied.

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