

THE LIQUOR QUESTION.

The result of a discussion on the liquor question, which incidentally arose in the house last week, is that the members do not call for special legislation in the matter this session.

NOTHING STARTLING.

Under this heading an evening contemporary informs the public that there is nothing startling in the proposed sale of certain members with the government.

THE TRUMP OF THE GOVERNMENT.

The majority of the government on the "Rid" matter was really 50. The loss of the vote by the opposition was more than met by accessions to the federal ranks from other provinces.

THE ROYAL HOSPITAL.

The annual report of the directors of this most important institution will be found in this issue. The "aid" it deserves will enter the sympathies of everyone.

THE MONOPOLY BILLS.

The Vancouver Herald is still fretting the "aid" over the monopoly bill. Our contemporary may rest easy.

ROYAL HOSPITAL, VICTORIA.

DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1885. MR. A. McLEAN, President. MR. ROBT. WARD, Treasurer. MR. W. M. CHUDLEY, Secretary.

DIRECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT.

GENTLEMEN:—In presenting our report for 1885, we have again to state, that it becomes a necessity that provision should be made for greater accommodation and more funds if the institution is to keep pace with the growing requirements.

The Steward and Matron have performed their duties acceptably to the Directors, and the Hospital and Convalescent Home have been kept in an efficient condition as the premises admit.

The Visiting Surgeon has been attentive and active in his duties, and reports a large increase in the number of both in-door and out-door patients, especially the latter.

The Directors should be advised to do as much as possible, for the institution, and to have the contract system of contracting for the supply of drugs, etc., should be considered by the new board.

The Visiting Surgeon reported last year the number of patients admitted 4148, and attended to about 1500 out-door patients. This year's report shows an increase in the number of patients.

The question of selecting a favorable location for a new hospital for the city of Victoria, and the selection of a suitable site (four to six acres) outside the city limits, near to the line of the Island B.R.

The directors approximate the cost of a new hospital, etc., at \$25,000, and providing a donation of \$10,000 can be received from the Government, the balance can be made up from the sale of the present premises.

The directors beg to thank the Vancouver Coal Company, Messrs. Dunsmuir & Sons, and the many ladies and gentlemen for their support of the institution.

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The outlay of the past year has been rigidly scrutinized, and yet has absorbed the savings of previous years to the extent of some \$1,500. There seems little prospect of any possible reduction of expenditure, and, therefore, the help of the Government and the Public must be increased, if the efficiency of the institution is to be maintained.

ROYAL HOSPITAL, VICTORIA.

Summary of Receipts and Expenditure for Year 1885-6, (March '85 to March '86).

Subscriptions Received Since Last Report.

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THE BITTER BITTEN.

Abraham B. Bitten, a well-known citizen of Victoria, has been bitten by a dog.

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DELAIED DISPATCHES.

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