

THE LAKESIDE HOME.

MEDICAL REPORT FOR 1887.

ANALYSIS OF DISEASES, WITH RESULTS.

DISEASE.	NO. OF CASES.	CURED.	IMPROVED.	UN- IMPROVED.	DIED.
Ankylosis (of knee)	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Arthritis (of knee)	2	.....	1	1	.....
“ (of ankle)	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Anæmia	4	2	2	.....	.....
Conjunctivitis	1	1	.....	.....	.....
Cicatrical Contraction	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Convalescent	3	3	.....	.....	.....
Chorea	1	1	.....	.....	.....
Debility	15	10	4	1	.....
Epilepsy	2	.....	.....	2	.....
Heart Disease	1	.....	.....	1	.....
Hip Joint Disease	11	3	7	1	.....
Hernia	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Idiocy	2	.....	1	1	.....
Keratitis, Syphilitic	2	2	.....	.....	.....
Malnutrition	5	4	1	.....	.....
Necrosis	3	1	.....	2	.....
Otitis, external and medium	2	.....	2	.....	.....
Onychia	1	.....	.....	1	.....
Pott's Disease of Spine	4	3	1	.....	.....
Paralysis	3	.....	2	1	.....
Phthisis	2	.....	1	1	.....
Syphilis, Congenital	1	.....	1	.....	.....
Stenosis of Larynx	1	1	.....	.....	.....
Scrofula	2	.....	2	.....	.....
Talipes Varus	2	1	1	.....	.....
Totals	74	32	30	12	.....

During their residence at the Lakeside Home, a large proportion of the children gained in weight, and a considerable proportion of those classified above as “Unimproved” as regards the special disease for which they were under treatment, shewed an improvement in this respect. Moreover, nearly all the children who were resident in the Home for any considerable time, acquired a general improvement in health, and a ruggedness of constitution which can neither be classified nor expressed in terms of weight.

The following suggestions are respectfully submitted:—

- (a). That a small dispensary be established at the Home and equipped with such drugs as might be required in an emergency.
- (b). That provision be made for the prompt isolation of infectious cases, or those suspected to be such. In the absence of the requisite space in the present building, a properly equipped tent would answer the purpose admirably.
- (c). That a department be established for the admission of infants under the age of two years. The rapid improvement made by the few such patients who were in the Home this year, appears to indicate that such a department would be eminently beneficial.

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