

# THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.

## THE TWENTIETH ANNUAL REPORT.

### The Work of this Interesting Charity During the Past Year.

Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto Me, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.—Matt. 19; 14.

Their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven.—Matt. 18; 10.

Of all the charitable institutions in this fair Queen City of Toronto, there is none that appeals more largely to the sympathies of the general public than the Hospital for Sick Children. Can any one help loving children? Their freshness, their innocence, and their very dependence upon us call forth our love in no small degree; and if this be true of those who are full of life and health, how much more so of those who are forced to spend long hours in weary pain and suffering.

In presenting this twentieth annual report of the Hospital for Sick Children the Ladies' Committee desire to return thanks to their Heavenly Father for His continued blessings during the past year. A prayer service is held without fail every Friday morning, from eleven to twelve o'clock. Though the committee numbers twenty-five ladies, it is only a "faithful few" who gather week by week to present the needs of the work before the Throne of Grace and claim the promises of the Lord. These are hallowed seasons, times of refreshing, when, in waiting upon the Lord, our spiritual strength is renewed. Requests for prayer have been offered from anxious, burdened hearts, and often has sadness been turned into joy on account of answers received.

We regret that our President, Mrs. Howland, has decided to remove to Montreux, Switzerland, for two years; we greatly miss her wise and loving counsel, but pray that the Lord will abundantly bless her and her family in their far-away home. During the absence of Mrs. Howland, the committee are pleased that the Vice-President, Mrs. Harvie, has kindly consented to take charge of the meetings. Other members of the committee, having a deep inter-

est in the work of the Hospital, have been missed from our meetings, on account of illness, personal or family, or absence from the city. We hope ere long to welcome them again among us.

The Hospital for Sick Children, College street, is one of the finest and most perfectly equipped Hospitals for the care and treatment of sick children in the world. It is provided with the best and newest surgical and medical appliances, and the staff includes some of the ablest physicians and specialists in our city. There are cots for one hundred and sixty-five children in the building, and at the present time (January 10, 1896) ninety-five of these are occupied. Many of these little patients are of tender years, others are bed-bound sufferers, whose days are numbered, and whose short lives we strive to make happy and comfortable.

Our family in all, children, officers, nurses and servants, numbers one hundred and twenty-five. To provide "daily bread" and other necessities, requires a large sum of money each month, and, though this institution has many kind and loving friends, who are constantly sending out of their abundance, and the gifts flowing into the treasury have been varied and generous, these gifts must be even more increased and more general, or this Christ-like work must be crippled for want of means.

The kind friends who, in some cases, for years have maintained cots in the Hospital have kept up their contributions. Some of the cots have not been fully paid for, but as times are hard and we know these friends are interested in their cots, we willingly wait till it is convenient for them to pay up arrears. The cost of supporting a cot (and warming it) in the Hospital is \$100 a year, and at The Lakeside Home \$25 for the summer.

The following is a list of cots supported this year at the Hospital and The Lakeside Home. We are pleased to report several new ones:

LIST OF COTS MAINTAINED IN HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN FOR 1895.		
	<i>Est'd</i>	<i>By Whom Maintained.</i>
1. Rolleston Cot.....	1875	Mrs. Neville's School.
2. Violet Cot.....	1878	Judge Ardagh, Barrie.
3. Orillia Cot.....	1880	People of Orillia.
4. Consolidated Cot.....	1880	The Ladies' Committee.
5. Faith Cot.....	1880	Half by St. Peter's S. S.

#### LIST OF COTS MAINTAINED

6. Queen Street Methodist
7. I. O. O. F. Cot
8. St. Paul's S. S. C.
9. Mary Helen Cot
10. Isabelle Cot
11. Ministering Child
12. All Saints' Alpha
13. Birdie Cot
14. Tommie Cot
15. Cooke's Church
16. Mary Pollard Cot
17. Henry Martyn C
18. The Fotheringha
19. The Good Cheer
20. Toronto Mission
21. The Toronto Pol
22. Richard Dunbar
23. Margaret Cot
24. James Hervey P
25. Euclid Avenue M
26. Mary Ethel Cot
27. Charlotte Lewis
28. The Boilermaker
29. St. Andrew's Ch
30. The Dean Cot
31. Ella and Lily Co
32. The Lily Bacon
33. Little Will's Co
34. The Dorothy Co
35. The Canadian C
36. Toronto Bread I
37. Thanksgiving C
38. Grummy Cot
39. "God is Love"
40. The Worts Cot
41. Newmarket Jun
42. Grandma's Men
43. The B. Frank I
44. Maria Louisa R

1. Allan Norman
2. Adelaide Cot
3. Port Hope M. C
4. The Birch Cliff
5. The Gordon Co
6. I. A. A. A. Cot
7. I. A. A. A. Cot

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