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THE OLD BREWERY MISSION

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Dr. A.G. Fleming,
Anti-Tuberculosis and General Health League,
9 Coursol Street,
Montreal.

Dear Doctor:-

I must apologize for my delay in writing you relative to the kindness of your League in providing us with a Public Health Nurse for our camp at Lake Chap-leau during the past summer.

Personality of the Nurse, Miss MacDonald. This nurse was peculiarly fitted for the work she had to do in teaching those mothers the general principles of health, her pleasing personality being a great factor in winning them to her. With the children, she was a great and unqualified success. She has the faculty of endearing herself to the children, and even scrubbing teeth, washing hands, faces and necks, became part of a great game.

Milk Station. This was a very rough and plain building with nothing in it that those mothers could not have at home; a sink, a common cook stove, a few pots and pans, and a refrigerator. The work of weighing the babies, demonstrations of bathing and washing of babies, and the preparation of milk under the formula given the Nurse by the Doctor was carried out in a most systematic manner. Demonstrations of washing and preparing of babies' food, the cleaning and sterilizing of milk bottles, as well as bed-making, were given regularly.

Talks to Mothers. In the afternoons, five days a week, the Nurse gave her regular talks to the mothers, and the interest of the mothers in these talks was shown by the splendid attendance at these meetings. There was no compulsion, but the mothers were simply invited to come.

The efficiency of Nurse MacDonald in all the work that she had to do, her kindly co-operation in the general work of the camp, and her willingness to do anything she was asked made her invaluable to us during the past summer. From our experience, I am sure a big camp such as ours, where over 2,000 mothers and children were brought in contact with this nurse, was one of the best ways to introduce Public Health methods to a community where nothing of this kind has been attempted previously.

Allow me again to thank you for your own and Miss Kennedy's deep interest in our work, and your willingness to continue to co-operate with us in carrying on classes at our various Mothers' meetings during the winter.

Very sincerely yours,

(SGD.) D. H. Scott

Superintendent