

The foregoing statements (of which details will appear in the appendix) shew that the management of the Hospital has been carried on with due regard to economy, and that the work performed has not materially changed from that of the previous year.

The Board attributes the falling off in the annual subscriptions to the difficulty of obtaining a sufficient number of volunteer collectors.

The Board begs to state that during the past year a number of applicants for admission into the Hospital have been refused, they not being considered fit subjects for Hospital treatment.

A home for the aged and infirm Protestant poor, is greatly needed in this city ; where its establishment under the provisions of the Law of Ontario might be effected at a very moderate cost to the Municipalities in this neighborhood, and would be an object worthy of the efforts of the charitably disposed, and be a great relief to the Hospital. It would be a refuge for many helpless poor, who are now inadequately provided for in different localities at much greater cost than would be involved for maintenance at a central point, such as Ottawa. The subject should receive the early and serious attention of the Protestant Public.

The old Hospital continues to be efficiently maintained for infectious diseases—happily the number of cases has been less than usual.

The increasing attendance of visitors at the Hospital, shows the deep interest manifested by the general public.—The marked kindness of many of the Lady Visitors deserves special mention. The medical staff have bestowed their usual kind attention to the patients, and their marked success in the treatment of many difficult cases deserves particular mention.

The Directors beg to acknowledge with thanks the generous aid given by the Municipalities of the City of Ottawa, the County Councils, of Carleton, Lanark, Leeds and Grenville, in the grants made by them, towards the maintenance of Patients received from their respective localities.

The Directors beg to thank the gentlemen who have made collections for the Hospital in this City, also those in the various sections of the country, who have assisted the Secretary in the collections, in their respective localities.

The Directors thank the clergymen who have faithfully visited the Hospital during the year, for their valuable services, and the Young Men's Christian Association for their unwearied attention to the Patients ; also, to the Proprietors of the "Citizen" and the "Free Press" newspapers for their numerous and generous announcements.

To Messrs. James Lindsay and T. W. Kenny, jr., for their services as auditors ; and to Mr. Samuel Rogers, undertaker, for contributing the amount of his account for services during the year.