

tendent, Miss Louise C. Brent, and all the officials have been most attentive to their duties.

The Committee of Ladies who supervise much of the inside work, have been most attentive to their duties; and Miss Buchan, the Treasurer of the Board, has been most devoted to the task of caring for the funds; indeed, all around, as Dr. Chamberlain, the Government Inspector, says, "the work is a model for all such institutions—an example of what labour reduced to a perfect system will do in the carrying out of the business of a great charity, which produces the best results in its line of work."

The funds of the Hospital are so low at the present time that the Trustees are compelled, as before stated, to make an overdraft at the bank to pay current expenses.

The Hospital for Sick Children is not in any sense a local institution. It is a Provincial charity, and takes care of sick children from every township in every county in Ontario.

The institution is undenominational. Its doors fly open at the cry of suffering childhood, irrespective of creed, colour or nationality.

It is absolutely necessary that before the 1st of January this overdraft should be covered, and that by the 1st of February \$25,000 be paid to the mortgagees. If this can be accomplished the Trust have been assured that the remainder of the debt may be wiped out before the end of the century.

Aid for the Hospital is more than ever necessary this year. The average number of patients is increasing daily and additional nurses are required.

As has been already said, we have before us that great mortgage indebtedness, the yearly interest on which takes away from the funds an amount sufficient to care for 50 sick children—should each patient remain the average time of 57 days.

This shows clearly how the \$50,000 mortgage eats into the sustaining donations of the Hospital.

A special appeal—a strong appeal—is made to the friends of the Hospital to lift this load.

Again and again have we rested in the hope that some of the wealthy residents of the province would come to our relief.

The Hospital is rich in friends and poor in funds. Last year there were many thousand individual donors. Some progress was made. But some means should be devised to bring the claims of the Hospital before the few who can give much.

\$50,000 will seem a small sum when many purses are opened.

There are 500 generous men in Ontario who could spare \$100 each.

And there are 5000 who would not miss \$10 each.

Start now, and the Hospital will round out the Nineteenth Century free from debt.

Help now, and the Hospital will be as rich in funds as it is rich in friends.

This is a call from a work of mercy.

For the Trust,

J. ROSS ROBERTSON,

Chairman.

TRUSTEES—

E. B. OSLER.

G. A. COX.

S. ROGERS.

A. S. IRVING.

J. ROSS ROBERTSON.

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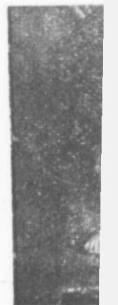


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