

of the clinical instruction, which will be given every week by the staff of the Hospital, many of whom are eminent in their several lines of work, and all of whom deserve the gratitude of the trustees and the management for the close attention they have given to the work. It is not saying too much for the Hospital to add that our patients have had the highest medical skill and the most attentive nursing that could possibly be given. Having more than an ordinary interest in the advancement of the medical and surgical profession, and specially in the work with which we are more immediately connected, and high as the Hospital 10-day stands in the medical profession throughout the province, I look forward to the day when, through the kindness of the people, the heavy indebtedness—something like \$100,000—on this Hospital will be wiped out, and the work extended so as to compare with the results obtained in the hospitals in such centres of population as London, Paris, Berlin and Boston, for, of all the children's hospitals in the world, the four greatest are those in Paris, Great Ormond street, London, the Huntington Avenue Hospital in Boston and our own. In equipment we are in the advance rank, and in bedding capacity we rank second to that of Great Ormond street, and with The Lakeside Home we have beds for nearly double that of any children's hospital in the world, save the one in Paris, which has something like a thousand beds."



The above is a representation of the medal, which is of gold, the edge of the circle having a rim of blue, with the words "Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto" in

letters of gold, while the centre is of white enamel, with the orthodox Geneva cross in red. On the hanger, at the back of which is the pin, by which it is fastened to the dress, is the name of the nurse and the year of graduation.

Mr. Oeler then called up the following nurses:

Miss Pauline Sherland, graduated, 1901.
Miss Mina Slattery, (Mrs. Fielding), 1902.
Miss Addie Cleodman, 1902.
Miss Jeanie Smedley, 1902.
Miss Eleanor Hallie, 1903.
Miss Susie Graves, 1903.
Miss Florence Briggs, 1903.
Miss Jamie Reynolds, 1903.

Smilingly, Mr. Oeler said:—"I confess that this planning on of medals and the decorating of nurses is a new experience to me, but I think for the first time, I have done very well. The recipients, at any rate, seem to be well pleased with my work. I trust that those who have received the medals may long live to carry on their work, and in leaving the institution feel that they have the good-will and good wishes of all connected with the management. I also take this opportunity, on behalf of the trustees, of expressing our thanks to the committee of ladies who have charge of the internal economy of the Hospital. Their aid has been valuable and has facilitated in a great degree the work of the trustees. I hope our friends from the city who have assembled here, will, when the meeting is over, pass through the wards of The Lakeside Home and see the bright and cheerful surroundings of the little patients, and when they leave here have a kindly thought for the pioneer hospital, the home of the healing art, where watchful skill and care are used to minimize the pain borne by so many in this the mother Hospital for Sick Children of the Dominion. (Loud Applause.)

Dr. B. R. McKenzie, on behalf of the active staff, expressed his satisfaction at being connected with the Hospital for Sick Children. He said:—"I know of no institution which has greater claims upon the charity of the public than this, for, as Mr. Oeler has said, it is the mother hospital of this great movement in the Dominion. No one except those immediately connected with the work can gauge the difficulties, the distress and the weariness which surround the lives of these little ones in their own homes, where, as Dickens has truly said, 'The two grim nurses, Poverty and Sickness, who bring these children before you, preside over their births.