

We were fortunate in securing the services of Dr. W. Grant Stewart, recently of the staff of the General Hospital, as our verifying physician. His duties were discharged in an able and painstaking manner. In his report he writes: "To me, life in the lanes and backyards of the city is a revelation. I have visited the abodes of nearly all who have been sent to Chambly; the majority of these are indeed poor, and in many cases wretched. A number of applicants were refused admission on account of there being contagious diseases in the family or neighborhood. These precautions were taken to prevent similar troubles spreading at the Home. Has this work done good? Look at the sickly babes entering the Home, and when they leave it, and the question is answered. Many a life has been spared to years of usefulness, and many an infant is healthy and strong, who but for this treatment would be sleeping on the mountain side."

It is a matter for thankfulness that no serious accident occurred to any one during the whole season. Two deaths took place among the children—both from convulsions. One of these little ones was dying when it arrived, and only lived a very short time.

We are gratified to report that in addition to those sent out to the Home at Chambly, three

DAY EXCURSIONS

were held. The good people of Huntingdon and Lachute sent hearty invitations, offering to provide all the necessary provisions. These were right royal offers, far too good to be declined. We availed ourselves of them, and conveyed about 600 to Huntingdon and 500 to Lachute. The arrangements at both places were admirable; the refreshments supplied were good and abundant; the inhabitants of the two towns respectively gave themselves up to a holiday, and fulfilled the duties of hosts in a magnificent manner. Another excursion was held to St. Rose, and this time the provisions were provided by the Committee. It also was successful. Altogether about 1,800 mothers and children on one or other of these three days enjoyed the benefits of an outing. Mr. Lunan and Mr. Parsons had charge of the arrangements, and to these gentlemen thanks are due.

FINANCES.

Herewith will be found the Hon.-Treasurer's statements of receipts and disbursements, and assets and liabilities, kindly audited and certified by Messrs. Philip S. Ross & Sons, Chartered Accountants, as well as a list of the subscribers. A reference to the former will show the receipts from all sources to have been \$4,408.16, and the disbursements \$4,002.73, leaving a balance on hand of \$405.43. Of this latter sum it is proposed to appropriate \$300.00 to the purchase, repairs and renewal of furniture, which will leave a net balance of \$105.43 to form a nucleus for the next season. The expenditure includes the sum of \$173.47, which went to procure necessary furniture for the Home.