

apartments in cases of sickness ; but they hesitated to entertain the proposition to enlarge the building, inasmuch as the "ways and means" of doing so were not apparent. A commencement towards an end so desirable having, however, been made through the active benevolence of Mrs. Doctor Buchanan, Mrs. James Worthington, and Mrs. J. P. Dunn, who, in a zealous spirit, organized and successfully carried out a Soiree in the St. Lawrence Hall, the result of which yielded the handsome contribution of \$220, above referred to, towards a building fund, the question assumed a more encouraging character ; and the urgent necessity of infirmary accommodation having been painfully shown in the course of the recent sickness—on which occasion in a building scarcely sufficient for the comfort of almost seventy inmates all in good health, more than thirty children were confined to bed by a contagious sickness all at one time ! The Managers feel that the consideration of providing some increased accommodation can no longer be prudently delayed.

6. Encouraged by the auspicious commencement of a building fund already mentioned, and hopeful that further assistance for the same good purpose might, not unreasonably, be expected, the Managers, at a special meeting, came to the resolution that an addition, in the shape of a wing to the main building, should be erected, provided the expense did not exceed £450, say \$1,800, towards which they appropriated, as previously mentioned, the sum of \$500. In order, however, to provide additional funds, His Lordship the Bishop of Toronto was applied to for his sanction to an appeal being made to the respective clergymen of the Diocese to preach a sermon and take up a collection in aid of the building fund. His Lordship having in the kindest manner given that sanction, a circular address (a copy of which is on the table)* has been forwarded accordingly. A similar application has been made to His Lordship the Bishop of Huron, to allow the same course to be adopted within his Diocese ; and although no answer has yet been received, it is not thought likely that a refusal will be given. From these quarters the Managers trust to realize a large addition to the building fund ; and they further indulge the hope that an appeal to the liberality of the citizens of Toronto, in aid of the fund, will not be made in vain.

7. From the character of the tenders sent in for the proposed addition to the building, the Managers are justified in the opinion that

* See Appendix.