

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

The meetings of the Board of Management have been held regularly during the last month. The usual interest has been manifested in the welfare of the Hospital, and many comforts added to the interior of the building. One of the principal features of the work done during the month has been the forming of an order of "Associate Members," whom it is hoped will be of much assistance to the Board of Management.

It was with much pleasure that the Board received a communication from the Trustees that in the near future electricity will be introduced into the Hospital for lighting purposes, thereby much improving the sanitary condition of the building.

Reports from the "Visiting Ladies" during the month speak in most satisfactory terms of the order and cleanliness prevailing throughout the Hospital.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

As many friends of Grace Hospital who are interested in the success of the institution, and still have not the time to devote to actual work, have expressed a desire to be of some assistance, it has been deemed expedient by the Trustees and Board of Management to establish an order of "Associate Members," who, by their influence, can be of great benefit, not only in Toronto, but throughout Ontario, in securing a wider interest in the science of Homœopathy and spreading the knowledge of Grace Hospital, it being the only homœopathic hospital in the province.

The privilege of attending the monthly meetings will be accorded those becoming Associate Members. These are held at the Hospital on the second Thursday of the month, at 4.30 o'clock. A reception committee will be present at 3.30, and will show Associate Members through the various wards prior to the meeting.

A copy of the HOMŒOPATHIC MESSENGER, showing the work which is being accomplished, will be sent monthly to all "Associate Members."

The annual fee for membership in the order is \$2.00.

SUBSCRIBERS TO "MESSENGER," 1896.

Mrs. W. J. Suckling, Mrs. Fred. Cox, Mrs. D. S. Barclay, Mrs. W. B. Hamilton, Mrs. T. A. McMurtry, Mrs. Robt. T. Gooderham, Mrs. Hubertus, 1896-97; Mrs. Henry Gooderham, Mrs. M. E. Davies, Mrs. P. H. Worton, Rev. J. M. Baldwin (Japan), Mr. Homer Dixon, 1896-97.

The following is an extract of a letter received by Mrs. Lilly Sey from Miss Marsh, a gold medallist of Grace Hospital. Miss Marsh went out last year to join her brother, at St. Peter's Mission, Mackenzie River District, N. W. T. :—

"Our winter packet will be going out in a few days, the first since my arrival here; and it will not be until the middle of March before I can expect home letters—the last I received were written early in July. What may not have happened since then; but I do not allow myself to think of that, for if I did, I should almost dread, as much as look forward to, the mails. It was not till Sunday, the 8th of September, that I reached my far northern home. It was good, after nearly three months' wandering about, to put foot on a spot I could call home, although very primitive, and I assure you there were two glad hearts. The journey is about 1,200 miles from a railway station, and is a tedious one, from the delay in making connections. I received every kindness from the Hudson's Bay Co.'s officials, on whose boats I travelled, and being the only woman, received the best of every thing. The most novel and interesting part of the journey I travelled in open boats and scows, for five days and nights, ninety miles of it being over rapids, some of which were dangerous enough to be exciting.

"I witnessed quite a romantic wedding on a small island, with the waters of the Grand Rapids rushing on both sides of us. The contracting parties were Miss Thompson, formerly of London, Ont., and a Mr. Weaver, of Toronto, both missionaries, who had come out the year before. They had arranged to meet and be married there on the island, I arriving just in time to take the place of bridesmaid. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Lucas, the missionary in charge of Fort Chipewyan, who then accompanied me for five days in the open boats to his home at Fort Chipewyan, where I was kindly entertained for two weeks while waiting for the steamer *Graham*, a flat-bottomed stern wheeler