

which the Incumbent and Churchwardens of St. Augustine's, Saltcoats, are to be *ex-officio* members. The Indians, we are glad to find, are not to be excluded from the benefits of the scheme. "The tepee or the mud shanty of the Indian is hardly the place where a case of consumption can be nursed. The Indian woman has very little idea of preparing such diet as the patient requires, the consequence is the medical man's skill does not get fair play, the patient dies after a long tedious illness, and owing to absence of sanitary arrangements, many other healthy constitutions are inoculated with the germs and fall victims sooner or later to the disease. Surely we owe the Indians of British North America whose lands we have taken in possession, something more than the meagre subsistence we provide for them at present, and would not a place in a Hospital during days of sickness be something more towards this debt?"

A considerable sum has already been subscribed on the spot, beside such gifts as:—"Mr. Middleton, of Crescent, presented the Cottage Hospital Fund with a horse; the animal is worth about £8." Or, "A well wisher of the hospital has given us a calf; he offers to take care of it so long as we wish to keep it. Now that we have a horse and calf, we require a cow." And again, "Mrs. V. Smithett, of Saltcoats, has given us an iron bedstead, and promises to give the necessary fittings at some future date."

Various concerts and other entertainments have been given for the benefit of the Fund, and it is proposed to hold a *sale of aprons* at Saltcoats on July 1st, "Dominion Day," the great national holiday in Canada. "Will every kind lady reader send an apron to Mrs. Teitelbaum, The Vicarage, Saltcoats, Assiniboia, Canada? We require useful ones. *An apron can be sent from England by parcel post for a few pence.*" Will the readers of the OCCASIONAL PAPER kindly take this hint?

The following contributions have been received by Mr. V. A. Williamson up to April 20th:—

Rev. W. G. Littlehales	...	...	...	...	...	£15	0	0
L. W. Littlehales, Esq.	...	...	...	...	...	6	0	0
Miss K. G. Clarke	...	...	...	...	...	2	0	0
Miss L. Twining	...	...	...	...	...	1	0	0
Mrs. Blunt	...	...	...	...	...	0	10	0
Miss Horner	...	...	...	...	...	0	5	0
Miss Gregory	...	...	...	...	...
						£24	15	0
<i>By Mrs. Knight—</i>								
Lady Dunbar	...	...	...	...	...	0	5	0
Miss Chivers	...	...	...	...	...	0	2	6
						£25	2	6