

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TORONTO WESTERN HOSPITAL.

The annual report of the Toronto Western Hospital shows that the number of patients under treatment during the year was 1,721. The number of births was 119, and the number of deaths 103, a considerable percentage of these dying within a few hours after admission.

There are forty-five nurses on duty, and during the year there were fourteen graduates from the Training School.

The financial condition of the hospital is steadily improving. The income for the year was \$38,969, and the expenditure on account of patients' general maintenance was \$35,708. This gives the remarkably low cost rate of \$1.09 per day. When it is borne in mind that a large amount of the work done in the hospital is emergency and surgical, this is regarded as a very favorable showing.

Taking the buildings and land at their original value, and the land is now worth double the price paid for it, the property is worth \$169,955. This does not take any account of all the appliances, furniture, fixtures, etc. Against the property there is a mortgage debt of \$36,000, which it is hoped to have paid off during the coming year.

During the year several substantial donations have been received; \$25,000 from one friend, and \$1,000 from each of two others, besides a number of smaller sums.

The Board of Governors for the coming year are Messrs. E. B. Osler, M.P.; Hon. Thomas Crawford, M.P.P.; David Fasken, Herbert Langlois, H. C. Tomlin, Chancellor A. C. McKay, Randolph Macdonald, and Noel Marshall. The medical members of the board representing the staff are Drs. A. A. Macdonald, Jas. McCulloch, Price Brown, J. B. Gullen, H. A. Beatty, and John Ferguson.

THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CHARITIES AND CORRECTIONS.

At the annual meeting, held in Toronto a short time ago, the following officers were elected:—Honorary President, Hon. W. J. Hanna, Provincial Secretary; President, J. P. Downey, M.P.P., Guelph; Vice-Presidents, Major H. J. Snelgrove, Cobourg; J. Ross Robertson, Dr. Helen MacMurchy, and Dr. Rosebrugh, Toronto; J. J. Kelso, Toronto; A. Studholme, Hamilton; Sheriff Middleton, Hamilton; C. H. Corbett, Kingston; Secretary-Treasurer, F. M. Nicholson, Toronto; Executive