

to seriously consider the desirableness of having "a permanent home." The success which they have met with, by the generous support of the public, has encouraged them to look in this direction.

It will be remembered that in last year's report, it was stated that such a proposal was contemplated; and in the resolutions passed at the annual meeting, the same was unanimously approved and sanctioned. Accordingly the Board resolved to look out for some suitable locality, with sufficient ground to allow enlargement when necessary, and to provide for healthful exercise and recreation on the part of any of the patients, who might be able to take and enjoy such. After much consideration, and the examination of several sites and houses, it was decided last summer to purchase a lot of land, which could be had at a reasonable rate, consisting of four and a-half acres, a little beyond the western limits of the city, beautifully situated on rising ground, and overlooking the Humber bay. The price paid was \$4,500. It could not now be obtained for that sum. The whole has also been fenced round, and the land is prepared for building operations.

It is proposed to seek a plan for a large Institution, in the event of such being required in the future, as, no doubt, it will be very soon. But only a portion of the whole would now be built, leaving the erection of the rest to the growing demands which may be made for it. The benefit of this arrangement will be that there will be no difficulty in adding to the part already built, without any disfigurement, and that, when afterwards, completed, it will be a uniform whole, according to the original plan.

The Board are of opinion, and in this they hope that they will be borne out by the general sentiment, that accommodation should be provided at once for a larger number of inmates than at present. This could not be secured at a less expense than about \$20,000. And for a great portion of that amount, they have to appeal to the generous sympathy and aid of those who are, in the Providence of God, blessed with the means, and at the same time desire to manifest the spirit of our blessed Lord, who sympathized with human woe in every form, and did good continually to the distressed and helpless.

The Managers have been enabled, by funds in hand, to pay the cost of the ground, and also the outlay in fencing and preparing the same. They hope, also, by the remaining sum in hand, increased by the spontaneous donation of \$1,000, by the Hon. G. W. Allan, from the Burnside Estate, and the legacy of the late Mr. George Michie, of \$2,000, and some other large donations, which will be acknowledged in the published documents along with the report, to have about \$5,000 to commence the building fund. This is so far well. But considerably more will be required to erect a building adequate to the necessities of the case. And the Board would take the liberty of urging the claims of this Institution upon such as may be in circumstances of abundance, and upon all who may be able to help in this benevolent work, to come to its aid, believing that there is no way in which they will feel more satisfaction in giving of their means, than to alleviate the sorrows and to promote the welfare of those needy and helpless persons, who, with bodily disease, humanly speaking, incurable, and destitute of the means of subsistence and comfort, either of themselves, or friends, would be compelled to drag out a miserable existence, only to contemplate relief in the cessation of life on this earth. For the care of life, no Institution has more of the spirit which Christianity infuses, than a Home for Incurables. "Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will deliver him in time of

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