

TRAINING SCHOOL FOR NURSES,

attached to our Hospital, as nursing children is as much a specialty as children's diseases. These nurses come on probation for one month, after which, if they prove suitable, they are provided with our uniform, and allowed eight dollars a month the first year, and ten the second. They have regular lectures, given three times a week, by certified physicians, on subjects bearing upon their work. During the past winter these lectures were delivered by Dr. Peters, Dr. McCallum and Dr. Thistle.

Our first graduate will (D.V.) be Miss Hamilton, whose second year will shortly expire, and all who have known her on her wards will, I am sure, join us in wishing her "God speed" wherever her lot may be cast.

RELIGIOUS.

It is this, because it is what is commonly known as "a work of faith." BY such expression is meant that we go to no one but our God for all we need. We have no collectors, no subscription list, no canvassers. We are simply the receiving and paying tellers in this little bank; our Father is the Manager, and He keeps us free from carefulness. Strange looking cheques he sends us. Sometimes they come written in a large round hand and read: "Dear Little Children, Hazel and I abstained from buying candies during Lent and saved our money to buy something for you." Sometimes they are short, sharp and to the point:—"Sleighting is good. See that the little children get sleigh-rides once or twice a week, and send the bill to me." Once wrapped in a bit of paper and put in our contribution box were five dollars "from a working mechanic." Occasionally they have black borders and tearfully say "In loving memory of our little one."

All of these we receive from the good hand of our God, and pay out for daily food, and the very many necessities connected with life in the Hospital wards, and with the loving care of sick children.

Our custom is to meet at 11 o'clock every Friday morning at the Hospital, when we look over all letters received during the week, find how much money has come in and how much is required. If there is enough we thank God; if not enough we ask Him for the amount required, "making known all our requests with thanksgiving;" and thus we spend one hour in prayer and praise.

We know of course how many little sick folk are in the house, and we bring them in the arms of faith to our Great Physician. We ask strength for our nurses, wisdom for our matron, for our physicians knowledge of the best remedies, and for ourselves guidance and keeping of the Holy Spirit, that we who are as "a city set on a hill," may have no wish to be hidden, but only desirous that others, seeing the good work, (not us) may glorify our Father who is in heaven.

That our Father has kept His share of the promise is manifest in the simple existence of the Hospital. We began our work in March, 1876, over twelve years ago, and no other means have been used all that time to obtain the necessary money.

A glance at our Treasurer's statement will show that large sums are required averaging \$125.00 a week, and during the summer from June to September, when the Lakeside Home is open, \$76.00 additional.

The expense of a hospital for children is necessarily greater than a similar work for adults. We cannot utilize *our* patients—they are all suffering, and even those who are convalescing are but children, requiring often as much if not more care than while in bed. They cannot help themselves but must be lifted, carried, waited upon, fed, amused and entertained, that a few of the long hours of the long days may be cheated of their weariness, and smiles