

EARLY HISTORY OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL.

The Vancouver General Hospital Training School for Nurses was incorporated in 1902, and was the outgrowth of the Vancouver City Hospital Training School for Nurses, incorporated in 1899. It offers a complete course of training and instruction to women desirous of taking up the profession of Nursing. The aim of the course is to give scientific instruction in the principles and practice of Nursing and to prepare women for entering the profession as institutional, public health or private Nurses. The School has the advantage of being well established, modernly equipped, and connected with a large General Hospital.

EQUIPMENT.

The Vancouver General Hospital is a 1200-bed hospital, ideally situated, both as regards climate and scenery. As the name implies, it is a General Hospital, having Medical, Surgical, Children's, Obstetrical, Contagious, Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Departments, treating all cases excepting Small Pox and Plague. The Hospital has the most modern and improved features of construction and equipment, and furnishes the best of facilities for the care of the sick.

The Home for Nurses, completed five years ago, is in all respects suitably adapted to its purpose. It is equipped with Class-rooms, Laboratories, Demonstrating, Examining Rooms, and Dressmaking Department. The bedrooms are light and airy, hot and cold water in each room; sitting-rooms, libraries and telephones on each floor. A large reception room on the main floor is used for social functions, and a refreshment room in the basement is provided especially for the use of the Nurses.

NURSING STAFF.

The Nursing Staff consists of 47 Graduate Nurses and 190 Pupil Nurses. The wards are directed by Graduate Head Nurses, who, together with the Instructors, give the required amount of bedside instruction and supervision.

ADMISSION.

Women desirous of taking the training must apply by letter, or preferably in person, to the Directress of Nurses. The applicant must be over twenty and under thirty-five years of age, of average height and weight, and have a strong physique. Exceptions to the age limit may be made when the candidate is otherwise particularly well prepared to undertake the training. The educational requirement is