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by the Government or the city, or both. Our own view is that it should be by the city. This institution should furnish accommodation for the pauper and the pay patient. There should be different grades of accommodation to meet the purses of the patients, or their friends. In this way the institution could be made self-sustaining.

All other considerations aside, there must be some accommodation for the acutely insane of Toronto in the city. This is absolutely demanded in the interests of the people and the medical students. The cost of such an institution sinks into the background entirely when compared with the need for it on the one hand, and its usefulness to medical education on the other. We say with Lowell: "New occasions teach new duties."

THE MISSES SHIELDS.

No words of ours could add any honor to the deeds of the Misses Shields. They lived a quiet and unassuming life, and gave most liberally for the good of others. Their good deeds will long follow them.

The National Sanitarium gets \$5,000; the Sacred Heart Orphanage, \$2,000; the Protestant Orphans' Home, \$2,000; the Aged Women's Home, \$2,000; General Hospital Nurses' Home, \$500; Aged and Infirm Ministers' Fund, \$1,000; Toronto City Mission, \$250, and the Shields' Emergency Hospital, \$95,000.

The late Miss Jane Shields had already given \$75,000 for the erection of the Emergency Hospital building. This additional legacy from Miss Agnes Shields will equip the hospital and ambulance service and provide for their up-keep.

Such splendid generosity cannot be too highly praised. Wealth given in this way will do untold good. For years to come the needy and the suffering will be benefitted by these gifts. In the words of Mrs. Norton:

> They serve God well Who serve His creatures.

TUBERCULOSIS IN QUEBEC.

Montreal takes first place for the unenviable reputation of having the highest death rate from tuberculosis of any city on the continent. The death rate from tuberculosis in the Province of Quebec is exceeded by only two states in the American Union. This is the problem before the people of Quebec. Will they face it and deal with the serious condition?