

and corridors that, if free, would afford accommodation for about 40 children.

The ward for infectious diseases is for all such cases as originate in the building. The "suspect" wards are those in which newly admitted patients are placed for forty-eight hours when there is the slightest suspicion of infection.

The indebtedness of the Hospital on the 30th September, 1899, the end of the official year, was \$34,961.04, consisting of a mortgage of \$25,000 and \$9,961.04 in a bank overdraft. The total income for 1900 was \$56,116.41 and the expenditure, \$36,274.35. Over and above this expenditure \$3,421.05 had to be spent in repairs and alterations at The Lakeside Home, while \$16,386.45 was paid to reduce the mortgage by \$10,000 and the bank overdraft by \$6,386.45.

There have been added to the assets of the Hospital this year \$16,421.01. The total now stands at \$215,180.83 as against liabilities of \$18,574.59.

It must be remembered that a large proportion of the receipts through the annual appeal for assistance in paying the debt has to be devoted to maintenance, so that amounts, such as the sums paid in on Cot Account, (\$4,150.20); and Pay Patients, (\$3,217.97); Students' Fees, (\$977); which help to swell the total sum received, have to be devoted to the first charge on the Hospital, namely, maintenance.

The Lakeside Home for Little Children, at the Lighthouse Point, Toronto Island, the summer home for the patients, is a most important annex to the institution. It has accommodation for 150 children and twenty nurses. One hundred children were removed to The Lakeside Home in the first week in June and a hundred were brought back at the end of September. Two hundred children enjoyed the advantages of The Lakeside Home and 100 were discharged and returned to their homes cured. This is the largest and best equipped sanitarium for children in the world.

Unforeseen expenses are encountered every year. The necessity of filling in an unsavory lagoon and perfecting the system of drainage in order to place The Lakeside Home in a sanitary condition, according to the standard laid down by the Medical Health Department, involved an expenditure of about \$2,000. The acetylene gas lighting apparatus and necessary furnishings also required, cost about \$1,100, leaving as before stated, \$16,386.45 to be paid on account of the general indebtedness of the Trust.

It should be stated that the expense of The Lakeside Home which cost, in buildings, \$50,276.31 and furnishings \$8,372.87, in all \$58,649.18, has been paid entirely, not only in the buildings, but in the furnishings, by the subscriptions of the original donor.

The per capita expenditure per day for 1900 was 89½ cents; for 1899, 90½ cents. That is to say that 767 in-patients were kept in 1900 at a less rate than 670 were kept in 1899.

The annual official returns of all the hospitals for children in Great Britain, the continent and the United States show that out of twenty-four of the great hospitals in the world, this hospital is carried on at the least expense.