

# Hillcrest Convalescent Home.



## PUBLIC MEETING.

The first annual meeting of the lady managers and friends of the Home was held on Saturday, April 28th, at the Home, Davenport Road.

In the absence of the Mayor, Ald. McMillan occupied the chair, and the meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Thomas, after which Rev. D. J. Macdonnell read the first report, as follows :

## SECRETARY'S REPORT.

In presenting the first annual report of the Convalescent Home, the Board of Managers rejoice that they are able to give so favorable and so encouraging a statement to the public. During the year just ended 130 patients have shared in the benefits of the Home. This, for the first year, with all its difficulties, is a large number, and is an assurance to its friends, and to those who predicted failure, that Hillcrest is already a success.

The public are, perhaps, already familiar with the facts connected with the building of the Home. In 1885 Miss Evans, of Liverpool, England, who had been visiting here, gave \$6,775 for the erection of a Convalescent Home in Toronto. She generously placed no restrictions on her gift, leaving the Trustees appointed free to choose whether the Home should follow the cottage system so well known in England. or should take its present form.

The money being given, the next most important consideration was the selection of a site. Mr. Wm. Gooderham, with his wonted liberality, here came to the assistance of the Trustees and gave an acre of land on the crest of Wells' Hill, where the Davenport Road meets the Vaughan Plank Road. All who are with