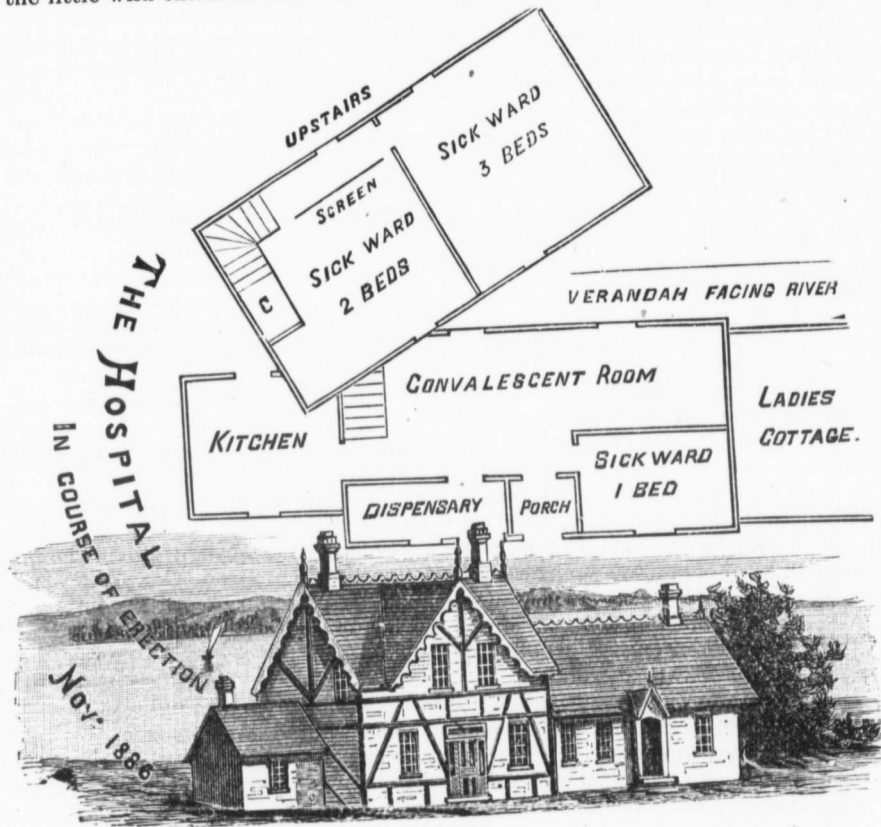


separation from me of the Western Homes, I must confess, diminishes my own personal interest in the work, as it does away with the idea of making the Shingwauk our Central Institution, and bringing to it from time to time the little wild children from our Branch Homes in the West. My own sym-



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pathies are, I think, more with the Western Indians than with these half-civilized natives of Ontario. Sometimes too, I think, that for the sake of my growing family, and especially on account of my wife, who is in enfeebled health, that I ought to be withdrawing altogether from the Indian field, and seeking work in some other sphere. But these things, happily for us, are not for ourselves to decide. There is a hand that rules above, and orders for us our destinies. By that hand only do I wish to be guided, and to engage only in such work as it may be the will of the Almighty for me to engage in.

Trusting that the above Report may meet with your approval,

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

EDWARD F. WILSON.

Moved by Mr. Thompson, and seconded by Judge Johnston, That the Report as read be adopted and published—*carried*.

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