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# ROYAL HOSPITAL, VICTORIA

## DIRECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1887.

A. McLEAN, PRESIDENT. WM. M. CHUDLEY, TREASURER.  
J. S. YATES, SECRETARY.

### VISITING COMMITTEE.

MR. T. LUBBE..... <i>Jan.</i>	MR. JOSHUA DAVIES..... <i>Feb.</i>	MR. W. W. T. DRAKE..... <i>Mar.</i>	MR. J. S. YATES..... <i>April.</i>
MR. WM. CHUDLEY..... <i>May.</i>	MR. E. A. McQUADE..... <i>June.</i>	MR. J. H. TODD..... <i>July.</i>	MR. A. McLEAN..... <i>Aug.</i>
			..... <i>Dec.</i>

## DIRECTORS' ANNUAL REPORT.

GENTLEMEN,—We are gratified in presenting our Annual Report for 1886 to announce a substantial reduction in the expenditure of the past year, whilst the full efficiency of the institution with its limited accommodation and the wants of the inmates have been completely provided for.

The Convalescent Home has 10 beds and the Hospital 32, all of which are now occupied, and it has become a source of anxiety to the Directors where room is to be found for any further applicants.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson continue to discharge their duties with economy and diligence to the entire satisfaction of the Directors.

The decrease in expenditure is due no doubt partly to the cessation of Railway construction on the Mainland, and the falling off in the actual number of indoor patients for the year, and likewise to the adoption of the tender system for the requisite supplies so far as practicable. Nevertheless the Directors are fully alive to the necessities that will probably arise with the rapidly increasing population and the multiplication of various manufacturing industries in our midst.

Tenders were awarded for 12 months to Henry Saunders for Groceries; L. Goodaere, Meat; Langley & Co., Drugs; C. E. King, Bread; and a cargo of Coals was purchased at the mines considerably under any tender rate, and there is now fully 6 months stock of same on hand. The item of Drugs shows an apparent increase, but taking into account bills owing from the previous year, amounting to \$320, actually unpaid, shews a considerable saving for the year.

The Corporation, it will be seen, have this year donated the sum of \$300, a precedent it is to be hoped will be followed by their successors, and be at the same time considerably augmented. The Directors still think the right of lots in the cemetery for burial and the water rate should both be free.

The Board have to thank those ladies and gentlemen and various firms, together, with the Corporation of Victoria, for their kind donations to the inmates at Christmas last, thus effecting a further saving in expenditure of the institution funds.

The Directors began their fiscal year with a balance of \$570.51 on hand, and end it with a credit balance of \$1,663.37, all liabilities so far as known having been discharged to this date.

The expenditure of the last ten years compares as follows:

1877-8.....	\$5,665 80	1882-3.....	\$6,000 22
1878-9.....	5,062 37	1883-4.....	6,585 03
1879-80.....	5,482 39	1884-5.....	6,944 22
1880-1.....	5,601 24	1885-6.....	7,964 49
1881-2.....	5,636 27	1886-7.....	7,418 09

\*The Convalescent Home, finished in 1883, causing increased expenditure.

These years include the Convalescent Home.

The average cost per day for each resident patient in the Hospital and Convalescent Home, which includes the disbursements on *out-door* patients, was not quite 54 cents.

The Visiting Surgeon's report is appended hereto, and gives full details of the work accomplished for the year.

The voluntary subscriptions shew a slight falling off on the year, but the inclement weather of the past two months has prevented the collector from completing his rounds, and it is therefore hoped the amount will be further increased and added to the current year's subscriptions.

The Directors decided to have a set of plans and estimates drawn up for the public, setting forth the proposed new Hospital, which was done, and a meeting of Citizens was largely attended on the 21st February, and a General Committee of 50 were appointed to assist the Directors in their efforts to inaugurate this most desirable object, which it is to be hoped will be completed during the present jubilee year of Her Most Gracious Majesty Queen Victoria.

A deputation was appointed to wait upon the Government to enlist their aid in the matter, said deputation were received by appointment on the 23rd ultimo, and the matter is now under their consideration.

Thanks are specially due to the Vancouver Coal Company, and Messrs. Dunsmuir & Sons for their gift of five tons coal each.

## STATEMENTS.

### HOSPITAL.

MONTHS.	Number Patients reported each month.	Discharged each month.	Pay Patients.	Number of Payments made for Funeral expenses.	Number of days on basis of 34 cts. per capita.	Deaths.
1886.						
March	51	19	..	..	1109	..
April	41	14	..	1	833	..
May	40	11	1	1	1008	..
June	39	13	1	2	768	2
July	34	11	..	1	757	1
August	29	4	..	1	725	..
September	41	14	..	1	695	1
October	39	11	..	1	781	1
November	28	10	..	2	764	2
December	36	7	..	..	822	..
1887.						
January	37	11	..	..	904	..
February	35	4	1	1	792	1
	463	129	3	9	9639	8

### CONVALESCENT HOME.

MONTHS.	Number Patients reported each month.	Discharged each month.	Pay Patients.	Number of Payments made for Funeral expenses.	Number of days on basis of 34 cts. per capita.	Deaths.
1886.						
March	10	..	..	1	286	..
April	10	..	..	..	203	..
May	10	1	..	..	210	..
June	10	..	..	..	294	..
July	10	..	..	1	382	1
August	10	..	..	..	279	..
September	9	..	..	..	273	..
October	9	..	..	..	303	..
November	10	..	..	..	300	..
December	10	..	..	..	310	..
1887.						
January	10	..	..	1	283	1
February	9	..	..	..	252	..
	117	1	..	3	3456	2

A. McLEAN, *President.*

WM. M. CHUDLEY,  
*Hon. Secretary.*

VICTORIA, B. C., March 12th, 1887.

To the Board of Directors of the Royal Hospital:

GENTLEMEN.—I beg leave to submit the following report of the Royal Hospital for the year commencing March 1st, 1886, and ending February 28th, 1887.

During the year one hundred and sixty-eight patients have been admitted into the Hospital, about the same number have received treatment as out-patients. Ten deaths have occurred in the Hospital, from the following causes, viz:

One from Disease of the Brain.	One from Typhoid Fever.
Three from Consumption.	One from Bright's Disease of the Kidneys.
One from Disease of the Heart.	One from Disease of the Spine.

Two from Old Age.

Allow me to congratulate the Board that during your term of office, the erection of a Hospital of modern form and in keeping with the requirements of the Province has for the first time been seriously contemplated. The plans which have been submitted to you by the Committee appointed for that purpose have been most carefully prepared, they agree in all essential details with the latest and best Hospitals constructed; these plans have been examined by Drs. Helmecken, Sr. Matthews, Harrison and Hannington, and have been approved of by these gentlemen. The erection of a Hospital such as indicated, on a suitable site, will form a fitting memorial of Queen Victoria's Jubilee year, at the same time it will supply a long felt want of British Columbia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson have, with the nurses under them, faithfully assisted me in the treatment of the inmates of the Hospital. I have also been cheerfully assisted by my professional conferees in cases requiring consultations, or aid in performance of surgical operations, etc.

I conclude with the hope that the Hospital in contemplation may be a fact before the end of the present year.

I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JNO. C. DAVIE, M. D.

*Visiting Surgeon to the Royal Hospital.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

In presenting the accounts for the past year the Treasurer would state that although the finances are in a healthy state, it will not be advisable to rely upon a continuation of such exceptional decrease in expenditure, and would respectfully urge on the public increased subscriptions to the Institution.

Mr. Robert Ward, the Treasurer appointed at the commencement of the year, having to leave for England on business in October last resigned his position and the undersigned was unanimously elected to act as Treasurer for the remainder of the year.

Mr. Thos. Russell has, as usual, (without remuneration), audited the year's accounts.

VICTORIA, B. C., 16th March, 1887.

WM. M. CHUDLEY,  
*Hon. Treasurer.*

