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AND

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MANAGERS' WEEKLY MEETING.

Monday, at 11 o'clock.

GENERAL MONTHLY MEETING.

1st Tuesday in the month at 11 A. M.

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SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

The second annual meeting of the Managers of the Infants' Home and Infirmary was held yesterday afternoon in the lecture room of Shaftesbury Hall. On the motion of Prof Wilson, seconded by Vice Chancellor Blake, Hon. W. P. Howland was called to the chair, and in his opening remarks stated that his Worship the Mayor had been expected to preside, but that he had written to say he could not be present, having to attend a meeting of the Police Commissioners. The following letter of apology from the Rev. Mr. Macdonnell was also read.

ST. ANDREW'S MANSE, 23RD OCT. 1877.

DEAR MADAM,—The pressure of unexpected duties demanding my attention this afternoon prevents the fulfilling of my intention to be present at the meeting in connection with the Infants' Home, an Institution which I am satisfied, is worthy of the hearty support of the followers of Him who came "not to destroy men's lives, but to save them." Please accept this apology and believe me,

Your obedient servant.

D. J. MACDONNELL.

The CHAIRMAN then proceeded to allude briefly to the work done in the Institution, and to the place it held among other charitable organizations. The report which he was about to read was an encouraging one, but he ought to say that the progress which had been made was due to the great zeal, self-denial, and exertion of the lady managers. They were fully-entitled, he thought, to the confidence and support of members during the coming year. The report was then read as follows:—

SECOND ANNUAL REPORT.

A second year has closed in the history of the Infants' Home, and the experience of the past deepens the conviction of the managers that there is a pressing need for such an Institution in this city.

The great responsibility resting on them has led the managers to enquire into the conduct of similar Homes in other parts of Canada and the United States, so as to learn from their experience the best way of managing the charity and the most successful mode of nourishing and caring for the young infants in their charge. No one can go through the Home and see the little creatures gathered there without wishing to give them every comfort and to make them as happy as babies ought to be.

The experience of the Infants' Homes in Montreal, Halifax, Chicago, and New York shows that the most merciful and successful plan is to admit the largest possible number of mothers and nurses.

The New York Nursery is the largest and oldest of these Institutions, having been established twenty-five years and annually caring for about 2,000 inmates. It has an annual income of over \$100,000 from the city of New York alone, and as everything that money can give is provided for the care of children, it may be as well to quote from their report of 1877 a few remarks on the subject of feeding infants. The report reads:—"Our success with bottle-fed children has not been such as to justify their admission except in cases of extreme necessity. Last spring we decided to try the experiment of boarding part of these children in private families, to ascertain if they would thrive better than in an Institution; but the death-rate varied from that of the same class in our wards by only a fraction. The results were such as to convince us that bottle feeding, even in the country, is only justifiable in cases where it is absolutely impossible for the mother to nurse her child. No question of expediency should ever be allowed to excuse her from entering and remaining in the Institution as long as her child requires to be nursed."

Unfortunately, in many cases it is impossible to procure the admission of the mothers with the children. Sicknes, vice, and heartlessness often combine to deprive the unfortunate children of a mother's care. For many such a life of pain, and an early grave is the only heritage.

Knowing the great mortality that exists among this class, the question is, how far the managers are justified in admitting to the Home those for whom they cannot provide wet nurses. If they are refused admission, they are then taken to some wretched abode where neglect is the rule, not the exception. If the managers decline taking children under six months of age unless the mother enters with them, the death-rate of the Institution would be lower, but would not the children suffer more elsewhere? In a Public Institution, open at all hours to inspection, visited daily by a medical man, and by ladies interested in the welfare of all, it is reasonable to suppose that the little ones have a better chance for life than in poor, wretched homes, ill fed, ill clad, and too often cruelly neglected. The managers would gladly save all, but knowing this to be impossible, they must do their utmost to reduce the death-rate to a minimum, and face with courage, patience, and perseverance the difficulties and discouragement in the way.

The classes received in the Home are:—1. The children, under two years of age, of widows. 2. Orphans, or motherless children. 3. The children of wet-nurses. 4. Another class still more unfortunate—those sent in by municipalities.

The number of infants admitted, including those in residence on 30th September, 1876, has been 151; of these, 66 had mothers with them, 36 remained at the close of the year, 55 were discharged, and 60 died—making the death-rate for the year 39.73 per cent., five per cent. lower than last year. The mortality was increased by an epidemic of measles in Jan. and Feb. (hardly one inmate, nurse or child, escaped infection), and in July and August the children, like others in the city, suffered from the extreme heat. It ought not to be forgotten that many of the children were admitted in a hopeless condition.

The rate of mortality in the New York asylum last year was 30 per cent. on those admitted or born during the year.

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In our nursery the children over a year old have, with few exceptions, had uninterrupted good health, and their happy faces bear testimony to the good care taken of them. They have been kept as much as possible in the open air this summer, and they give every prospect of becoming sturdy and healthy children.

One of the band, a pretty boy of two years, has been recently adopted into a good home.

Another boy and girl will soon be taken by those who will care for them well.

Several of the young babies have also been adopted during the year, and good accounts have been received of them.

Many of the older ones are the children of widows or widowers, who do not wish to have them adopted, but will take them out of the Institution as soon as they are old enough.

During the year 66 mothers were admitted as nurses, 52 were discharged, and 14 remain. Many of the women found places in the country, where, receiving low wages, they were allowed to keep their children with them.

Of those who have left as domestic servants the managers continue to hear good accounts, and they believe that the Home has been the means of reclaiming many women from misery, and restoring them to a life of honesty and industry.

Among the events of the year to be recorded was the bazaar, which was held in December, by which enough was realized to pay outstanding debts.

At the close of this year deficiencies have had to be made up by borrowing a sum from the building fund to pay the small debts incurred for the support of the Institution, which sum the managers hope by collections to be able to replace at an early date;

A glance at the Treasurer's account will show that affairs have been administered with economy, considering the large family to be provided for.

The managers take this opportunity of thanking those who so kindly have sent in voluntary contributions of money, clothes, and provisions, and particularly the children who have worked so diligently.

There have been no less than five children's bazaars given for the babies' benefit, one by the Misses Lucy Lee, Jessie Campbell, and Clara Bell, which realized \$33; another by Miss Alice Heward, which brought \$9; Miss Gertrude Parsons and Miss Mary Fuller sent \$5, Miss May Bostwick, \$3, made by their own work; and Mrs. Hodgins' and Mrs. Maule's children held a most successful garden bazaar which brought the handsome sum of \$100, which sum was expended in the purchase of flannels and warm clothing for the winter. The managers desire to express their thanks to the Work Committee who have done so much for the comfort of the children. Every Monday a willing band of workers, led by Miss White, has met at the Home to make and repair clothing for the little ones.

The gift of a sewing machine from the New York Singer Company was a most acceptable one. It may well be supposed that a family of 40 children require many stitches.

Kind friends have sent in many donations of clothing which requires to be made over again or mended to fit the children. This Committee has also made all the house linen required, besides clothing to be worn by the nurses while employed in the Institution.

Any donations of flannel, factory cotton, &c., sent to the Home will be thankfully received by this Committee.

The managers are very grateful to the Rev. Mr. Givens, who during the past year has held an afternoon Sunday service at the Home; and to the Rev. Sept. Jones, who has occasionally assisted. Mr. Givens has also baptized the babies.

A weekly Bible class for the mothers has also been conducted alternately by Mrs. J. K. Kerr and Mrs. Moffatt.

Their work is indeed a good one, and is surely benefitting those in whose welfare they have so kindly interested themselves.

The managers beg to thank the physicians who have so freely given their valuable time and service to the Home. When Dr. Cameron (who for many months was the sole medical attendant) left Toronto, Dr. Burns kindly took charge, and associated Dr. Britton with himself in the medical care of the establishment. These gentlemen have thought it advisable to further increase the medical staff to four visiting physicians, so as to divide the labour.

It is hoped in time to carry out the sanitary measures they recommend for the improvement of the Home, though want of means at present cramp the efforts of the Committee.

It is highly desirable that a separate Infirmary with a trained nurse should be attached to the Institution, and if the Government and city grants should be increased the usefulness of the Home might be much extended.

To the Advisory Board of gentlemen the lady managers tender their thanks. Their counsels have in the past, and will no doubt in the future, help them over many difficulties.

The managers wish to note their appreciation of the Matron's conduct. During the past year she has faithfully followed the instructions given her, and devoted herself to the interests and objects of the Institution.

The managers cannot close this report without expressing their regret at the loss sustained by the departure to England of Dr. and Mrs. Fenton Cameron. To Mrs. Cameron's zeal and energy the Home chiefly owes its existence, and for many months she spent both time and strength in the cause she had so much at heart.

M. EDGAR, Secretary.

Prof. WILSON moved, seconded by Mr. GILLESPIE, "That the report of Managers and Treasurers be adopted and printed for the use of subscribers." Carried.

Dr. WILSON, in moving the adoption of the report said:—It had been necessary on a former occasion to justify the existence of such an Institution as this, and enter on its defence in opposition to objections which then seemed to many to be well founded. But the experience of the comparatively brief period of its successful operations has amply sufficed to establish its claim to rank among the valuable philanthropic charities of Toronto. The claims of helpless infancy cannot be rejected because of the offences of others. It is not for us to visit the sins of the fathers upon the children. But altogether apart from any such appeal, the report amply demonstrates that the Infants' Home meets the wants of many virtuous and deserving mothers; and in the case of infants deprived by death of a mother's care has in repeated cases helped the poor widowers to provide for his orphaned child, when otherwise its case must have proved hopeless. The very defects of the Home, consequent on inadequate accommodation and limited funds, appeal to Christian benevolence to place it on

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such a footing as shall enable the lady managers to carry out their good work, and rescue from perishing the destitute little claimants on the shelter and nurture of the Toronto Infants' Home.

Rev. Rural Dean GIVENS, seconded by Rev. Mr. GREEN, moved,

That the report of the work done by the Infants Home and Infirmary during the past year affords practical evidence of the great good which has been achieved by it, and of the necessity for its continuance and support as one of the many charitable and philanthropic Institutions of this city. Carried.

Rev. Mr. GIVENS in moving the resolution expressed his satisfaction in being able to speak from personal knowledge of the benefits of the Institution, and the admirable manner in which it was managed. In connection with the Rev. Mr. Jones he had held an afternoon Sunday service for the nurses employed in the Home, and had been much encouraged by their earnestness, especially in singing, in which they had been kindly aided by Mrs. Parsons with the melodeon. He thought the managers had shewn great discrimination in the cases of mothers who had been admitted as nurses, for, as far as he could judge the characters of his hearers, he could not discover any of a class likely to abuse the bounty shewn them. The benefits of the Home are also extended to mothers in destitute circumstances with sick infants, and a great boon it is to them, especially in winter; but the chief aim of the Institution is the care of unfortunate children who have no one else to care for them, and who ought not to be allowed to perish. The medical gentlemen who kindly volunteer their services are very assiduous, and everything is on as satisfactory a footing as with the limited means at hand, could be expected. In moving the resolution, which he did with pleasure, he congratulated the lady managers on the success which had met their efforts to establish a comfortable and well regulated Home, where the lives of miserable infants may be saved, and where many a young woman may be helped to enter on a new and better life.

Vice-Chancellor BLAKE moved, seconded by Rev. SEPTIMUS JONES,

That the meeting desire to express their gratitude and to tender their sincere thanks to the officers and managers of this Institution for the attention and devotion which they have shown to the good cause in which they are engaged. Carried.

In moving the resolution, Mr. BLAKE, spoke eloquently of the claims of the Institution on the public, and of the good it might do in checking the system of "Baby Farming" which unfortunately prevailed in the large cities of Canada.

The Treasurer's statement was then read. It showed a balance of \$71.12 due the Treasurer.

The Treasurer's statement of the affairs of the Building Fund showed the balance of cash on hand to be \$404.60.

The annual report of the physicians of the Infants' Home was then read as follows :—

The physicians in charge of the Infants' Home beg to submit the yearly medical report. According to the register the following facts are shown :— There have been 151 children admitted since October 1, 1876, of whom 60 died, making the rate of mortality 39.73 per cent., or about 5 per cent. lower than that of the preceding twelve months.

The number of deaths that took place in each month was as follows :— October, 1876, 4 ; November, 1876, 1 ; December, 1876, 6 ; January, 1877.

5; February, 1877, 8; March, 1877, 2; April, 1873, 3; May, 1873, 1; June, 1873, 9; July, 1873, 15; August, 1873, 3; September, 1873, 3.

It will be observed that the greater number of deaths occurred in the months of February, June, and July. In February an epidemic of measles prevailed. In June many feeble infants, who had by careful attention survived the more temperate months of spring, were speedily cut off by exhaustion during the greatly increased temperature of the second week of that month. In July an obstinate form of *entero-colitis* prevailed throughout the entire house, which, with the admission to the Infirmary of seven infants in a dying condition, will account for the high rate of mortality for that month. During the investigation which was diligently made to discover, if possible, the cause for the continued intestinal inflammation so prevalent and disastrous in July, our attention was directed to the well water, a sample of which was sent to Mr. Hayes, of the School of Technology, for analysis. His report was that it was contaminated by sewage products, and was unfit for domestic use. Since that time more satisfactory arrangements for the supply of good water have been made.

On account of changes in the medical staff having taken place during the year, we find it very difficult to give an absolutely correct classification of the diseases which proved fatal. The subjoined list will be found very nearly correct:—Measles, 4; inflammation of the lungs, 3; stomatitis, 2; hereditary disease, 2; entero-colitis, 10; general debility, 22; undeveloped, 2; diphtheria, 1; hydrocephalus, 1; purpura, 1; eclampsia, 2; congestion of the brain, 1; consumption, 2; cholera infantum, 2; marasmus, 3; cause not stated, 2. Fourteen were nursed by their own mothers. Thirty-two were partly nursed by foster-mothers, and fourteen were weaned children.

The great number of children who die in charities of this kind from general debility, or wasting, is very noticeable. Such cases are not characterized by any particular disease, but undoubtedly depend upon mal-nutrition, unfortunately, largely produced by the deprivation of a mother's care, and of the food which nature intended for their supply.

During the months of June and July our numbers rather exceeded what might be considered as within the limits of safety, but we take pleasure in bearing testimony to the watchful care of the matron in always giving the ventilation of the house proper attention. This precaution is doubtless the chief reason why so few bronchial affections have required treatment.

The health of the nurses has been very fair, but it is observable that, as a class, the inmates of the Home do not come up to the standard of health of ordinary nursing mothers.

We find that among the children, seven were registered as dying and twenty-five as very delicate when admitted.

The ages at which the deaths occurred are as follows:—Under 3 months, 17; from 3 to 6 months, 34; from 6 to 12 months, 7; from 12 to 16 months, 2; total, 60.

It is desirable that the Committee shall in future strictly enforce the rule that no woman shall leave the Home and accept service as wet nurse. Neglect of this particular has at different times entailed a loss of some of our very best nurses, and much suffering in consequence.

It will be a matter of impossibility for this charity, combined as it is with an infirmary, and suffering from deficiency of funds, to exhibit so small a proportion of deaths as those wealthier Homes, such as that of Staten Island and others, where a resident physician is constantly at hand

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We cannot, however, close this report without expressing our surprise at the manner in which difficulties apparently insuperable have been overcome by the Committee of Management.

Since so much has been accomplished with limited means and brief experience, it gives us courage to anticipate a bright career for this useful and much needed charity.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. BURNS, M. B.,
W. BRITTON, M. D.

It was moved by Dr. J. H. BURNS, and seconded by Dr. WILSON, that the following ladies and gentlemen be elected office-bearers for the ensuing year:—

INFANTS' HOME.

PATRONS—Their Excellencies the Earl and Countess of Dufferin, His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario, Hon. W. P. Howland, C. B., Hon. D. L. Macpherson, Mrs. Howland, Mrs. Macpherson.

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT—President, Mrs. John Ridout; Vice-President, Mrs. Grant Macdonald; Secretary, Mrs. J. D. Edgar; Treasurer, Mrs. Marlatte; Treasurer of Building Fund, Mrs. Howland.

MANAGERS—Mrs. Homer Dixon, Mrs. T. Hodgins, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Grantham, Mrs. Moody, Mrs. Nordheimer, Mrs. C. Morrison, Mrs. Wilkes, Mrs. Kingsmill, Mrs. Macpherson, Miss Muttieberry, Mrs. W. H. Howland, Mrs. Perram, Mrs. Roaf, Mrs. Parsons, Mrs. Whitt, Mrs. J. W. Young, Mrs. Tully, Mrs. W. S. Strickland, Mrs. Maule, Miss Greig, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Cumberland, Mrs. Skae.

MEDICAL OFFICERS—Dr. Burns, Dr. Britton, Dr. Grasett, Dr. Senkler.

MATRON—Mrs. Robinson.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE—Hon. W. P. Howland, C. B., Mr. H. Moody, Hon. Vice-Chancellor Blake.

MRS. HOWLAND (Treasurer) IN ACCOUNT WITH THE BUILDING FUND OF THE
INFANTS' HOME.

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To Balance on hand and in Bank account per last report.....	8 509 00
" Collected from last years subscriptions.....	630 00
" Proceeds subscribed during the year.....	600 00
" Received from Mr Green.....	15 00
" Lady Friend per Mrs. Howland.....	100 00
" Bank of Toronto interests on deposits.....	22 60

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" Mrs. Marlatt Treasurer, Infants' Home lent.....	300 00
" Cash on hand.....	404 60

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Toronto, 30th September, 1877.

Subscriptions received up to 30th September, 1877.

Mrs. Grantham.....	\$50 00	Collected by Mrs. Edgar and Mrs. Marlatte:	
Samuel Platt, M. P. P.....	50 00	Mr. Wiman (New York).....	\$50 00
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Mrs. Howland.....	10 00	Mrs. Edgar Jarvis.....	2 00
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BY-LAWS.

I.

The Managing Committee shall meet monthly or oftener if required ; shall elect their own presiding officer for a year, shall see to the proper treatment of the children, and secure the proper discharge of their duties by the Matron and nurses.

II.

The Secretary shall keep a full record of proceedings, summon meetings, and discharge the duties generally that pertain to the office of Secretary, under the direction of the Committee.

III.

The Treasurer shall receive all moneys for the use of the Institution ; deposit the same in a chartered bank of the city, keep on accurate account of receipts and expenditure, and pay out money on the order of the Committee.

IV.

The physicians of the Home shall be appointed by the Managing Committee and shall have the entire medical control of the Home. No child or wet-nurse shall be received permanently without his examination and approval.

V.

The Home shall be provided with as many healthy wet-nurses as possible, each nurse to be entrusted with two infants, the term of service to be four months.

VI.

Only a certain number of babies shall be admitted, to the Home to be cared for at the same time, the number to be determined by the medical officer.

RULES FOR THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT.

1. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the first Tuesday of every month at 11 a. m. Special meetings may be called upon an order from the President, or at the request of any three members.

2. All meetings shall be opened with prayer as soon after the appointed hour as a quorum shall be present, (five to constitute a quorum) including one of the officers.

The following order shall be observed :-

The Secretary shall read minutes of preceding meeting which shall be signed by President, inform the meeting of any correspondence that has taken place, and read a general report of the condition of the Institution.

The Treasurer shall present her account of all moneys received and expended during the past month, to be audited and signed by the President, or in her absence by the Vice-President.

CONSTITUTION.

I.

The name of this Institution shall be the Infants' Home and Infirmary.

II.

The object of the Home shall be to receive and tenderly care for destitute infants under two years of age.

III.

The parents or guardians of children admitted to the Home shall contribute to its funds such amount as shall be decided upon by the Committee in charge. In case of total inability of parents to pay any money their babies shall be admitted free.

IV.

The entire management of the Home shall be vested in a Committee of thirty ladies assisted by an Advisory Committee of three gentlemen, and the Committee shall elect their presiding officer and a Treasurer and Secretary out of their number.

V.

The funds necessary for supporting this Home shall be secured by annual subscriptions, donations, collections, etc.

VI.

The Annual meeting shall be held the 1st Tuesday in October, or as near that date as possible.

3. The Treasurer shall receive and take charge of all moneys belonging to the Institution as well as the childrens' fees, keeping accounts of the same. All accounts shall be brought by her before the meeting of the Managers. to be signed by President.

4. A Committee of five shall meet every Monday morning at 11 a. m., consisting of the Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary, the visitor of the previous week and the visitor of the current week, when the said visitor shall report her experience. This Committee shall be called the Committee of Admission and Investigation, and every application for admission both of children and nurses, shall be referred to them. This Committee shall also arrange about the adoption of children from the nursery, and shall report to the general Committee once a month. On these occasions three shall form a quorum. A visitor shall be appointed by Secretary to visit the Home daily each week, each Manager taking this duty in turn. The visitor shall ascertain from the Matron all about the health of the children and the conduct of the nurses, and shall report the same to the weekly Committee. In view of the increasing demand for wet-nurses from this establishment, the managers are to strictly enforce the rule that no wet-nurse shall leave the establishment for service elsewhere, unless she has remained the stipulated four months in the Home. Exceptions to this rule only to be made in case of more wet-nurses being in the Institution than required.

RULES FOR ADMISSION OF CHILDREN.

Applications for admission of children must be made to the weekly Committee which meets at the Home, 678 Yonge Street, every Monday morning between 11 and 1.

No child over two years of age will be admitted unless by special permission of the Committee.

Infants pay \$5 per month, children who can walk \$4, unless remitted by the Committee of Admissions.

Every child admitted must be examined by physician.

Board to be paid in advance.

RULES FOR ADMISSION OF MOTHER-NURSES.

1. Each woman admitted must nurse and feed a child in addition to her own, unless, otherwise ordered by the physician.

2. Each woman admitted must give her services for four months to the Institution in return for board, lodging and clothing of herself and child.

3. Her good conduct during her residence in the Home will secure her the assistance and recommendation of the lady managers in obtaining, when she leaves, a desirable situation.

4. Each applicant (whether child or nurse) who shall have received a permit to enter the Institution from the Committee shall be referred to the visiting physician, who, if he concur in the admission, shall order the matron to have the name, age, condition, etc., of the applicant entered on the record and registered as an inmate.