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GOVERNORS' MEETING.

The quarterly meeting of the Board of Governors was held at the hospital, March 26th. Among those present were Mrs. J. A. Sheffield, Misses A. Moodie, M. Robertson; Dr. L. Muller, Messrs. Fisher, J. T. Hagar, S. M. Baylis, F. E. Grafton, E. G. O'Connor, T. J. Dawson, Drs. A. Fisher, E. M. Morgan, A. R. Griffith, H. M. Patton and A. D. Patton.

The meeting was called to order at 4.30 p.m., the chair being taken by President J. T. Hagar and Mr. T. J. Johnson acted as secretary. The minutes of the last meeting were read and initialed by the president, as being those of the annual meeting, they could not be signed until the next annual meeting.

Reports from the various departments of the hospital, for the past quarter were presented, all showing an encouraging state of affairs.

The Treasurer's report for the quarter showed receipts of \$3,301.89 and expenditure of \$3,219.04; with a total balance in hand of \$811.87 to meet the expenses of the current month.

The Medical Superintendent's report showed an increase over like quarter of last year ir number of patients cared for. The total number was 122, viz.: Private patients, 51; semi-private 31; public, 19; maternity, 6. The deaths numbered 4; operations performed, 25; and the number of days of special nursing by the hospital nurses, 163.

The report of the committee of management showed satisfactory progress being made in the working and efficiency of the hospital, and carrying out of improvements and alterations. renovation of the hospital interior at a cost of \$555 has been completed to the material enhancement of its appearance. The report showed that \$505.00 of this amount had been subscribed by the Woman's Auxiliary, Homocopathis Association, College of Homoeopathic Physicians and Surgeons, and other friends, leaving a small balance still to be met. Mention was made of the hospital's being made joint residuary legatee in the estate of the late Mrs. Callow, of Westmount. The value of the bequest being in the neighbor-Attention was drawn hood of \$10,000. to some very necessary improvements the committee had in view. others, the installation of a system of electric bells for the private wards, which work had already been com-Another work of importance menced. was the enlargement of the diet kitchen, which they hoped to have under way ere long. Also the improvement of the lighting of the basement of the old building, by removal of the yard wall on Burnside Place. While the committee was desirous of prosecuting these alterations, it was however, determined to keep expenditure with-in income, and not allow the incurring of debt to again interfere with its deliberations, or the satisfactory working of the hospital.

The question of membership in the Homoeopathic association being included with annual subscriptions of elective life governors was discussed, and it was decided that in future the secretary of the Homoeopathic Association should receive notice at the end of the year of all elective governors qualifying by donation to hospital of \$10. Such governors to become members of the Association without further payment of fees, and the hospital to credit the Association with a donation of \$2.90 for each subscribing governor.

A letter from Mr. Ogden expressing his warmest thanks and eminent satisfaction for the care and attention given him during his stay as a patient in the hospital was read and received with great pleasure by the governors and ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

Progress was reported in the getting out of the Annual Report, much delay having been occasioned by the proofs not being corrected and returned in time by the various departments. It was expected to be ready for distribution early next month. There being no further business the meeting adjourned, after which the governors in spected the hospital, viewing the renovations and proposed improvements, The next quarterly meeting will be held on Thursday, June 25th.

In England 500 people a year die of hunger, 100 of whom are inhabitants of London.

Every practitioner, Dr. Ransford E. Van Giesen thinks, should be a good cook. Even the best trained nurses are often woefully ignorant on this matter, and the medical attendant should always be ready to give exact instructions as to the proper preparation of diet, and, if need be, to prepare it himself.

LETTER.

The following letter read at the quarterly meeting of the Governors is published by permission of the writer. The sentiments expressed therein are gratifying to all concerned, and the encouraging words of appreciation give evidence of the interest in the welfare of our institution.

March 25th, 1903.

"J. T. Hagar, Esq.

President Montreal Homoeopathic Hospital:—

Dear Mr. Hagar,-I wish to express to you and the managing committee my appreciation of the treatment received by me during the time I was confined to the hospital. I found everything to be as nice in every way, as could possibly be looked for. The extreme cleanliness and brightness of everything is particularly noticeable: Meals themselves and in their service could not be better, and the attentions of all. the House Doctor, the Lady Superintendent, and nurses, are as careful and good as can be found anywhere, and I was particularly glad to notice that these attentions were given equally to public patients as they were to private patients.

There is only one thing that I think I should call attention to, and that is in connection with the Maternity Ward. It is not fair to either the Lady Superintendent, the nurses or the other patients, that it should in any way disturb the other wards, and I would strongly urge that measures be taken, so that the ward should take care of itself, and not compel the nurses to leave other wards to go to it. Bables. owing, I suppose, to the contrariness of human nature, seem to take particular delight in arriving at night, and therefore the disturbance in the other wards is more noticeable than it would otherwise be.

I can only speak, however, in words of highest praise of the Hospital, and all the attendants connected therewith.

Yours very truly,
I. G. OGDEN.

POUND PARTY.

The afternoon tea and pound party given by the Woman's Auxiliary on Saturday, April 4th, was most successful and thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

Owing to the inclement weather the attendance was not as large as that of last year, though a large number were present, comfortably filling the board 100m, and nurses' dining room which were thrown open and prettily decor-The guests were received by Mrs. ated. The guests were received by Mrs. J. T. Hagar, president; Mrs. J. A. Sheffield, secretary, and Miss E. R. Lorenz, lady superintendent.

A large number of donations in parcels were received and about \$35 in money, including the proceeds from sales of cake and candy tables. In addition to this \$25 was realized by sale of an oil painting donated by Miss M. Robertson, which sum was handed over to the hospital treasurer, towards the fund for alteration of diet kitchens.

The candy table was in charge of Mrs. Von Rappard and Mrs. W. T. Rodden, and was prettily decorated with jonquils. The good things displayed disappeared in short order. Mrs. W. Godbee Brown and Miss G. Nichol had charge of the cake table, which was temptingly set out and decorated with tulips, their wares like the candy were soon disposed of to the disappointment of the late comers. Mrs. Geo. Sumner and Mrs. R. L. Gaunt had charge of the ten table, where yellow jonquils were also the decorations. The bountiful supply of tasty and substantial delicacies were thoroughly appreciated by the guests and evidences of a pleas-antly spent afternoon were noticed on all sides.

POUND PARTY DONATIONS.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Montreal Homoeopathic Hospital gratefully acknowledges the following donations received at the recent Pound Party:

at the recent Found Party:
3 jars preserves, Mrs. Esplin; rolled oats and corn starch, no name; jellies, flavorings, Mrs. W. Clelland; 5 lbs. tea, Mrs. A. D. Patton; tapioca, Mrs. T. J. Rutherford; coffee, jellies, cornstarch, 6 tins biscuits, Mrs. Gaunt; sugar, Mrs. Tohn Cowner, steech loof sugar, Sapp. John Cowan; starch, loaf sugar, soap, soda, tapioca, Mrs. Andrew Boyd; 1 doz. cans corn, Mrs. W. Suth. Taylor; marmalade, Mr. Chas. Harcourt; basket apples, 5 jars preserves, Mrs. W. D. Birchall; I doz. cans tomatoes, peas, corn, oranges, Mrs. J. T. Hagar; sugar and rolled oats, Mrs. R. F. Smith; honey and sugar, Mrs. Gnaedinger: 3 pkts cornstarch, Mrs. H. J. Singleton; olive oil. Dr. L. Muller; home-made soap, Mrs. Hadley; starch, sugar, apples, Mrs. Henry Thomas; sugar, Mrs. Wilson;

rice, tapioca, eggs, cocoa, cornstarch, Mrs. D. K. McLaren; cocoa and tea, Mrs. J. Cowan; soap, Mrs. Scarff; sugar and cocoa. Mrs. J. Taylor; 2 lbs. mar-malade, 1 tin cocoa, 2 lbs. biscuits, Miss malade, 1 tin cocoa, 2 lbs. biscuits, Miss Mudge; malt breakfast food, sugar, Mrs. D. Budge; rolled oats, Mrs. Idler; puddine, peaches, Mrs. T. J. Dawson; 3 cans each corn, peas, beans, tomatoes, ginger snaps, Mrs. G. Holland; bacon, Mrs. Leishman; coffee, and biscuits, Mrs. Jas. Lewis; cornstarch and margaleda. Mrs. Smith Breakett, rice and malade, Mrs. Smith Brackett; rice and tapioca, Mrs. Chas. Brackett; tea, Mrs. Robt. Slack; sugar and tin preserves, Mrs. Renaud; lemons and cornstarch, Mrs. and Miss Ramsay; corn starch, Mrs. W. F. Brown; 4 pkts wheat marrow, no name; 6 ginger ale, Mrs. Armstrong: rolled oats, Mrs. Booth, corn starch and biscuits, Miss Booth; tapioca, Miss Atkinson; corn starch, Miss Binmore; cocoa, Mrs. Griffith; force and wheat marrow, Harold Griffith; coffee, Mrs. Ritchie; whole wheat, Mrs. Nicholson; bananas, Mrs. Yarker; 6 cans beans, sugar, Mrs. Baker; 3 packages, A.J. Richer; sugar, bread, prunes, Mrs. Geo. Boulter; 5 lbs. tea, lemons, Mrs. Terroux; 6 marmalade, Mrs. J. McLachlan: 6 pettijohn, 4 quaker oats, 6 wheat germ, 6 tomatoes, Mrs. Ed. Packard: 1 lb. each sugar, rice, prunes, Mrs. McCubbin; 2 pkgs. breakfast food. Mrs. S. J. Doran; can syrup, Mrs. Morgan: figs. pineapple, lemons. Mrs. H. T. Rodden: 2 doz. bananas, Westgate & Lewis: 2 home-made bread, Mrs. Nichol; lemons, Mrs. Woodley: 4 cans cocoa, sugar, Mrs. O'Connor: 6 dish towels, 2 roller towels, 9 tray cloths, Miss Robertson; 1 lb. raw cotton, Miss G. Sumner; lace curtains 1 doz. towels, 1 doz. digh towels. 1 doz. dish towels, Mr. Geo. Sumner; 1 doz. artery forceps, 3 pair scissors, a friend; feeding cup, rubber ring, air cushion, Mrs. J. A. Sheffield.

CAKE FOR CAKE TABLE AND TEA. Mrs. J. T. Hagar, Mrs. Geo. Sumner, Mrs. A. Walsh, Mrs. Scarff, Mrs. Brackett, Mrs. Webber, Miss Robertson, Miss Baylis, Miss Nichol, Mrs. C. C. Holland, Mrs. S. W. Alner, Mrs. W. Godbee Brown, Mrs. Gaunt, Mr. Alex Scott, Miss D. Sandham, Mrs. Robt. Hall Hall.

CANDY FOR CANDY TABLE.

Mrs. Von Rappard, Mrs. W. T. Rodden. Mrs. A. Walsh. Mrs. Shaw, Mrs. Cooke, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Wilcox, Miss Morkill, Miss M. Adams, Miss Montgomery, Mrs. E. W. Wilson, and the following donations in money:—Mrs. Henderson, \$2; Mrs. Robt. Macfarlane, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. I. Clarke, Mrs. C. C. Holland, Mrs. A. Shaw, each \$1, Mrs. Scholes, 50c.

HINTS.

Correspondent asks for a remedy for "neuralgia on the left side, often comof the breast." We can reply that Conium has cured such tumors; so have Phytolacca and Fluoric Acid. Depends on symptoms.

Another asks what will "cure tumor ing a little around the heart." Lathesis might do some good, but better consult a homoepathic physician.

Chronic headache in the back of the head has been cured with Nitric Acid 3d.

Sore eyes, ears, nose, any sore extremely sensitive to the touch may be cured by Hepar Sulph.

Burnett recommends ten drops of the tineture of Hydrastis in hot water every half-hour as a great remedy for gall-stone colic.

Jerking of the limbs in sleep, Hyoscyamus.

Any ill brought on by mental conditions, such as fright, or any sudden or violent mental shock, calls for Ignatia.

Sick headache, beginning with a blur before the eyes, Iris versicolor.

For vomiting and retching, Ipecac.

Very fat persons troubled with an accumulation of phlegm, cured with Kali bichromicum 2x in hot water, every evening.

Hahnemann says "stitching is the most characteristic pain of Kali carb."

All cases "worse between 4 and 6 o'clock p.m." will be benefited with Lyconodium.

Mercurius ought to be a preventive of the plague.—Hom. Envoy.

A writer tells how a little child once preached a wonderful sermon to him. "Is your father at home?" I asked a small child, on our viliage doctor's doorstep.

"No," he said, "he's away."

"Where do you think I could find him?"

"Well," he replied, with a considering air. "you've got to look for him some place where peopel are sick, or hurt, or something like that. I don't know where he is, but he's helping somewhere." National Recorder.

THE EVOLUTION OF THE "CHIR-

The internal medical man has been thrust back and ever back from citadel to citadel in his struggle with the surgeon. The man who formerly eked out a seanty income by shaving and haircutting whilst practicing his surgery under the stern eyes of the physician, has in the course of time so asserted himself, that now the poor physician must wait upon his pleasure, and if the medical man does not call him in soon enough, he is obliged to submit to a most severe scolding. And this whilem barber has thrust him back from dominion over the abdominal cavity, from dominion over the thoraic cavity, from the supposed impenetrability of the cranium or the inaccessibility of the spinal column. One place remained: the interior of the heart has hitherto been held sacred from the surgeon's knife. The pericardial cavity has long since been conquered. Bold men have taken a stitch now and then in a wounded heart muscle, but Dr. Lauder Brunton, although a physician himself, would deny the physician even this last place of refuge. He suggests that the most excellent method of curing mitral stenosis is not, as we have fondly be-lieved, by rest and digitalis, but nothing less than by the insertion of a bistoury through the ventrilcular wall and the division of the adherent mitral leaflets. Alas, poor physician! The glorious cases of chronic heart disease that never got well and always needed the doctor, will be no more. When a person finds that he has palpitation, shortness of breath and swelling of the feet he will pass by the wistful sign in physician's window, and walk blithely up the steps to the surgeon's office. And then a little dexterous manipulation of the knife, and he goes again on his way rejoicing, perchance to play football, to row, or to climb mountains. In the mountime, now that there is nothing left but vengennee, physicians should band themselves together to suppress the irrepressible Lauder Brunton, and if they must succumb, at least go down with this final oppressor in their clutches.—Phil Med. Jour.



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| fees 1902-3 \$ 4. | 00 |
| Mrs. H. M. Patton, (fees 3 years) 6. | .00 |
| \$ 10 | .00 |
| Disbursements— | |
| J. L. Cassidy Co., Ltd., a.c\$ 9. Hospital painting fund 200 Mrs. J. T. Hagar (purchases) 25 | . 00 |

TO REMOVE TATTOO MARKS.

Make a mass, the consistency of dough, with salicylic acid and glycerine; apply to the tattoo marks and confine with a compress and strips of adhesive plaster for one week. Then remove the layer of epidermis over the marks and apply salicylic acid and glycerine as before. It may be necessary to repeat three times, but usually the second application removes the marks.—Med. Brief.

DEATH RATE OF DIPHTHERIA.

Steven Coleridge quotes from the British Registrar General's report the following table (Contemporary Review, 1902):

TABLE 18—ENGLAND AND WALES.

Annual death rates; to a million living Persons.

1881-1900: Diphtheria.

| 1881 121 | $\frac{1882}{152}$ | 1883 158 | 1884 187 | 1885 164 | 1886 149 | 1887 160 |
|-------------|--------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| 1888 | 1889 189 | 1890 179 | 1891 173 | $\frac{1892}{222}$ | 1893 318 | 1894 291 |
| 1895 259 | 189 29 | - | 897 245 | 1898 243 | $\frac{1899}{291}$ | 1900 290 |

Antitoxin treatment was introduced in 1894. For a disease that is "conquered" these official figures have a queer look.—Hom. Envoy.

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PHILLIPS TRAINING SCHOOL NOTES.

Three of the Training School nurses and one graduate nurse were on special duty in the hospital last month.

Nurse Harding has returned to duty after a three months' stay in St. Alban's, Vt., with a patient. Miss Bartholomew, "02," has gone to take her place.

Several of the nurses were off duty last month suffering from la grippe.

Miss Trench, "02," who was on duty in the hospital for a few days last month, was called to Sherbrooke, Que., professionally.

Miss Moodie, a graduate of the Calgary, Alberta, hospital, was a visitor to the hospital last month. Miss Moodie resides at Calgary, but her professional work takes her pretty well over the whole province.

Miss Spence, "02," was on private duty in the hospital during last month.

Miss Trench, a sister of the "02" graduate, has entered the Training School as a probationer.

Nurse Haines was on private duty at the Place Viger Hotel last month.

We are always interested in the welfare and success of our graduates, and with pleasure note the following about Miss Goring, one of our "99" class:—

"Miss M. Estella Kelsey, a graduate of the Cincinnati, Ohio, Hospital Training School for Nusses, and late assistant supervising nurse of the New York Polyclinic Hospital, is now superintendent of the West Philadelphia Hospital for Women, at Philadelphia. Pa. Miss Daisy Goring, a graduate of the New York Polyclinic Hospital, is assistant superintendent.

In connection with the above, mention might be made of the receipt of invitations to the commencement exercises of the "03" class of the Training School for Nurses of the West Philadelphia Hospital, which were held on March 30th.

The nurses' lectures for the session 1902-1903 have been completed, and the examinations will probaly be held during the latter part of this month.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

LAST MONTH was a very busy one at the hospital.

MORE WORK was accomplished in maternity annex in March, than in any other one month since its opening.

IN RESPONSE to the Record's appeal, we are now the proud possessors of a complete electric bell system for the private wards and mafernity annex. This much needed improvement is thoroughly appreciated by nurses and patients, and even the bell seems to say "thank you" to the generous donor.

THE WORK of enlarging the diet kitchens has been entered upon, and ere this month closes, we hope to have two of the neatest and most convenient diet kitchens ready for occurancy.

THE PAINTING of the entire hospital has been completed and the new green window shades are all in place, making an improvement in the appearance of the institution which must be seen to be realized.

THE RENOVATION and enlargement of the private hospital across the street from us being completed, will, no doubt, render competition more active and make us look to our laurels.

WE DESIRE to thank the two kind friends who noticed the little "want" item in last month's paper and sent in two bells for the nurses' tables.

YOU WILL notice the absence of three "wants" from this month's "hospitals wants," viz.: Green window shades, money for painting fund and electric bells, all of which have been supplied.

THE ANNUAL REPORT for 1902 has been issued and prevents a very handsome appearance. It is illustrated with cuts of the hospital, portions of the interior of operating room, dispensary, and private wards, together with a portrait of our first president, Samuel Bell. Esq. It is by far the best report of the hospital ever issued, both in appearance and in interest of detail and achievement. See that you get one.

MANY DONATIONS were received at the Pound Party without name attached, and many more came in after the lists were made up. The secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary wishes to notify any Jonors whose names do not appear, that the oversight is unintentional and will be rectified in a future issue, and to add that all donors are included in the thanks tendered by the Woman's Auxiliary.

LOOK OVER the list of hospital wants to see if you cannot help us to drop some of them in next month's issue. There are ten of them, some of long standing, and we would like to have the space for other reading matter.

THE REGULAR monthly meeting of the committee of management was held on March 23rd, the attendance was good and much of the business left over through lack of quorum at last meeting, was disposed of. The painting was reported as finished and the account ordered to be paid. The question of electric bells for the private wards was discussed, several tenders were read the market belt in the bards of the and the matter left in the hands of the president with full power to have the work performed. The necessity of enlarging the diet kitchens was taken up and agreed upon, the chairman being instructed to enquire more fully into the matter and ascertain amount of work actually necessary and have alterations executed if prices were found to be suitable. A copy of the will of the late Mrs. Callow was produced, showing the hospital to be residuary legatee to one-half of her estate, the same being valued at about \$10,000. This matter was left in the hands of a subcommittee, with instructions to investigate, and report on the best means to conserve the interest of the hospital in adaptation of this bequest. Two voluntary letters of thanks from former patients were read. The lady superintendent's report showed a satisfactory condition of affairs and a lot of work accomplished. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 27th.

DONATIONS IN MARCH.

The Lady Superintendent acknowledges with thanks the following:

Miss M. Robertson—12 jars apple jelly, 1 gong.

Miss A. Moodie-1 dozen pillow cases.

Mrs. A. H. Thomson-1 gong.

Mrs. Spencer—11 quarts preserves for nurses, 4 bottles Hemaboloids.

Mrs. Davis-Medicine vials.

Mrs. R. Gaunt-2 pairs curtains, 2 quilts.

Woman's Auxiliary—3 pieces Swiss muslin, 25 jars marmalade, 2 scrubbing pails, 6 asbestos plates, 2 strainers, 2 soap shakers, 1 ficur sifter, 1 tray, 18 green roller window shades.

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| 1903 | | | | |

| Cash on hand, Nov. 1, 1902 Patients' fees for quarter Nurses' fees for quarter Donations Dispensary Medical sundries, sold Div. Bank of Toronto stock Governors' fees | 2,347.27 148.50 208.00 10.00 43.59 258.50 30.00 |
|---|---|
| Donations to painting fund Fire insurance indemnity Interest on bank account | 110.00 140.00 |
| | \$4,030.87 |

Expenditure.

| Salaries and wages | 1,134.95 34.33 34.00 241.15 533.07 100.47 74.52 |
|---|---|
| Sundry accounts paid Mrs. G. D. Phillips, interest | |

Balance cash on hand ..

\$3,219.00 \$ 811.87 \$4,030.87

\$113.00

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND CASH DONA-TIONS IN MARCH.

The hospital treasurer acknowledges with thanks the following:

| Mr. I. G. Ogden\$ Mr. L. Barbeau | |
|----------------------------------|------|
| Mr. Carter | |
| Mrs. Bishop | 1.00 |

HOSPITAL WANTS.

Barrel of flour.
Barrel of silgar.
Barrel of apples.
Barrel of rolled oats.
Barrel of chip soap.
Laundry starch.
A new clothes wringer.
A new microscope.
A new elevator.

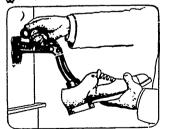
A steam sterlizer.

| HOSPITAL REPORT FOR MARCI | а. |
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| Number of patients in hospital March 1 | 15 |
| Admitted— Private patients | 19 9 11 5 |
| Discharged— Private patients | 59 |
| Died | 36 36 31 23 31 23 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 |
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2. Avoid a too nourishing diet in a violent-tempered child.

3. Avoid seasoned dishes and salt meats, pastry, uncooked vegetables, unripe food, wine and rich cake.

4. Never tempt the appetite when disinclined.

5. Insist on thorough chewing; a child who eats too fast eats too much.

6. Vary the food from day to day, but avoid variety at one meal.

7. Take care that the child's food is well cooked.

8. Wine, beer and confections should never be given to a young child.
9. Give no food between meals; the stomach requires rest, like any other organ of the body.

10. Remember that overfeeding and the use of improper food kill more children than anything else.

11. Give no laudanum, no paregoric, no soothing syrup, no teas.

12. Remember that the summer commaint comes chiefly from overfeeding and the use of improper food, but never

from teething.

13. When children vomit and purge, give them nothing to eat for four or five hours.

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