

The nurses who are to receive their certificates this evening—a large proportion of whom I regret to state are unable to be present—complete the number of those who entered for two years. Henceforth all nurses will remain for a period of training extending over three years.

The curriculum for the third year will consist in part of a special course of lectures on Anatomy, care of Nervous and Insane patients, Invalid Cooking, Ward Management, Reading and Discussion of papers relating to nursing and Normal Demonstration Classes on Practical Work, in which selected pupils will teach in the presence of the Superintendent of the School.

Class recitation and examinations have been conducted regularly throughout the year. The lecturers were: Drs. A. Primrose, G. A. Peters, J. McDonagh, R. A. Reeve, A. H. Wright, Allen Baines, G. A. Bingham, Harold Parsons, R. D. Rudolf, H. A. Bruce, and Arthur Small; the examiners Drs. A. H. Wright, R. B. Nevitt and Allen Raines. We again desire to place on record our deep sense of obligation and appreciation for the untiring interest and effort of these medical gentlemen in our behalf.

The total number of graduates is now 287, the following of whom have taken up Hospital work during the year:—Miss A. Stewart, Superintendent, General Hospital, Sherbrooke, Quebec; Miss H. Stewart, Superintendent, Marion Syms Sanitarium, Chicago, Ill.; Miss M. Clarke, Superintendent, Los Vagas Hot Springs Sanitarium, New Mexico; Miss C. Smith, Superintendent, Womans' Hospital, New Westminster B.C.; Mrs. A. Bolton, Superintendent, Training School City Hospital, Minneapolis, Minn.; Miss L. Phair, Assistant Superintendent, Training School City Hospital, Minneapolis, Minn.; Miss M. Dougall, Head Nurse Toronto General Hospital; Miss C. Beltz, Miss A. Halbans, Miss C. Mitchell, Head Nurse Emergency Branch Hospital; Miss C. Brekon, Assistant Head Nurse Emergency Branch Hospital; Miss J. Christie, Head Nurse, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio; Miss L. Flaws, Head Nurse, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio; Miss H. Magill, Head Nurse, Lakeside Hospital, Ottawa, Ontario; Miss E. Jardine, Head Nurse, Lakeside Hospital, Ottawa, Ontario; Miss M. Church, Head Nurse, General Hospital, Brockville, Ontario; Miss L. Drysdale, Head Nurse, General Hospital, Galt, Ontario; Miss M. Somerville, Head Nurse, General Hospital, Rat Portage; Miss M. Stevenson, Head Nurse, General Hospital, Birmingham, Alabama; Miss A. McHinch, Head Nurse, Deaf and Dumb Asylum, Belleville; Miss B. Kennedy, Novitiate St. Joseph's Convent, Toronto.

Advancement has been made in the following directions: Permanent Graduate Nurses have been placed in charge of the Eye and Ear and Private wards, and in September last the Emergency Branch on Bay Street was opened. Miss Christina Mitchell a graduate of 1888 has been placed in charge.

Books for the enlargement of the nurses library—eleven volumes in all—have been contributed by Dr. J. F. W. Ross, and Miss Alice French, of Davenport, Iowa. Pictures and furniture have been presented by Mr. R. B. Hamilton, and Miss Francis French. Tickets for entertainments, etc., by Rev. Arthur Baldwin, the Ancient Order of Foresters, and Mr. John Ross Robertson. Fees for cooking lessons, the Misses French. And last, but not least, a cheque for \$500.00 as a nucleus for the new Nurses' Home, from Mrs. Francis French, of Davenport, Iowa.

The Authorities desire to express their gratitude and appreciation to these friends who have so kindly and generously assisted in promoting the welfare and enjoyment of the School.

The need of a new Nurses' Home large enough to afford ample room for present necessities, and allow for future expansion, has been the burden of our Annual Report for the last three years, and this need is again presented.

The disadvantages connected with this arrangement are so obvious that they do not require to be explained. A nurses home or residence should be designed and furnished, not only for health, but for comfort—an essential doubly important in the case of those whose daily duties are of so arduous and depressing a character—it should be spacious, and on the principle that refined surroundings tend to produce refinements, beautiful as well, in order that it may play its part as an educational influence.

We appeal, therefore, to the generosity of our citizens, hoping they may emulate the example of our sister city Montreal, by lending substantial aid to this highly charitable and philanthropic object.

It is with sincere regret we announce the resignation of Miss Agnes McRae, who has held the position of Assistant Superintendent for the last three years. Her sterling integrity and faithful services in the School have been alike appreciated by both officers and pupils. We desire to inform Miss McRae that in the new life opening up before her, she carries with her our earnest benedictions for her happiness and prosperity.

Before closing this report, we again acknowledge our indebtedness to the Medical Profession, House Staff, and numerous friends, for their sympathy, courtesy, and consideration, and for the valuable services they have rendered the Training School.

Signed,

MARY AGNES SNIVELY,
Superintendent."

The names of the graduates for 1898 are as follows:—Miss Minnie Somerville, Princeton; Miss Jean Newsome, Victoria B.C.; Miss Mary Roebuck, Toronto; Miss Gertrude M. Dudley, Colborne; Miss Ida MacNabb, Acton; Miss Stella Stanwix, Kent, England; Miss Julia Allemand, Eden, Ont.; Miss Mary J. Stevenson, Toronto; Miss Jessie R. Agnew, Kemble, Ont.; Miss Kate Snodgrass, Warkworth, Ont. Miss Minnie Butterworth, Ottawa.

Badges and certificates were presented to the above young ladies by Mr. Walter S. Lee, the President of the Board, and Dr. Chas. O'Reilly, the Medical Superintendent. At the close of the exercises between four and five hundred of the guests repaired to the Nurses' Home, where they were received by Miss Snively.

The Home was prettily decorated for the occasion, and refreshments were served by fifteen of the nurses, who wore pretty badges of cerise-coloured ribbon fastened with a dainty pin.

The house staff numbering ten in all, acted as ushers and were most assiduous in their efforts to promote the enjoyment of those present.

The Hospital is to be congratulated on the success of this, the seventeenth annual meeting of the Training School for Nurses.

[Miss Snively is an hon. member of the Matrons' Council, and a report of her work will, we feel sure, be of interest to her friends in the Mother Country.]

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