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OF THE

Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital,

AND OF THE

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SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION,

JANUARY 1, 1877.

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1877.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION, for the election of officers and transaction of business, is held on the third Wednesday of January.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES hold quarterly meetings at the hospital on the first Wednesday of January, April, July, and October, at 7½ P. M. Special meetings are held at the direction of the president.

THE LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION holds its annual meeting, for the choice of officers and transaction of business, on the last Wednesday of January, at 12 M.

Monthly meetings of the MANAGERS OF THE LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION are held at the hospital on the last Wednesday of each month, at 11 A. M.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meet at the hospital every Saturday, at 12 M., and hold special meetings whenever necessary.

THE MEDICAL BOARD holds its regular meetings on the last Thursday evening of March, June, September, and December.

THE HOSPITAL is located on East Concord Street, between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street, Boston.

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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

THE Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital was chartered by the Legislature in 1855, and failed of an endowment from the State of \$10,000 by only one vote in the Senate, the House having passed it by a large vote. Had the State aided the institution, even by this small sum, its friends would have been encouraged to greater exertion; and it is impossible to estimate the amount of good which might have been accomplished thereby in the past twenty years, or what would have been the present condition of this hospital had it been then established. The expenses of a hospital being so great, it was thought best to open in the first place a dispensary, and in 1856 an Act of incorporation was obtained for the Homœopathic Medical Dispensary. In order to sustain this institution, a Fair was held in Music Hall, in March, 1859, which in five days realized the sum of \$13,100, which was devoted to the purposes of a permanent fund for the Dispensary.

In the winter of 1860-61 an effort was made to establish the hospital; but the uncertainties of business which began about this time, and the war which soon followed, delayed the enterprise, though the need of the hospital was keenly felt by many of our soldiers returned from the war, who could nowhere find an institution which would give homœopathic treatment to those who desired it. Up to 1870 no successful effort had been made to establish the hospital, when a few friends of the cause united their efforts and procured the small building No. 14 Burroughs Place, which was fitted up as well as it could be for such an institution, and became the humble beginning of the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital.

By the generosity of individuals and of religious and other associations it was furnished under the direction of the Ladies' Aid Association, and was opened for the reception of patients on Jan. 23, 1871, and, to the time of the closing of this building, provided and cared for three hundred and eight patients, a report of which from the Medical Board is appended.

In April, 1872, under the impetus of the attempt of the Massachusetts Medical Society to cast odium upon Homœopathy and its friends, the public rallied to its support, and in one of the most brilliant Fairs ever held in Boston \$76,000 were raised for the hospital.

With this sudden and unexpected accession to its funds it became a matter of grave importance to commence aright for a permanent hospital, — first, by selecting the proper location, and second, by erecting a suitable building.

LOCATION.

For some time it was a matter of serious consideration by the trustees as to the proper site for the hospital. Good drainage, light, air, and water, and sufficient space to enlarge at some future time, were essential. At the same time it was important that it should be in a position accessible to the public, and where the physicians, who are to give their services to it, could visit it daily without too great a sacrifice of time and effort. These latter considerations made it essential that the hospital should be located within the city proper, and many places were visited and examined.

While the location was still undecided, the Boston University School of Medicine was established, under the auspices of the homeopathic physicians, and came in possession of the building and land of the New England Female Medical College, on East Concord Street, between Harrison Avenue and Albany Street. There are many advantages in having the hospital near and associated with the college and its Faculty; and, as there was a vacant lot adjoining the college grounds, belonging to the city, about 26,000 feet were secured, at the rate of one dollar a foot. This lot is 200 feet by about 130 feet, and extends from East Concord to Stoughton Street. It overlooks the open square of the college, and also the extensive grounds of the City Hospital, and will always be well supplied with light and air. The drainage, which has proved sufficient for the City Hospital, has twelve feet from the surface to high-water mark. The land is not only sufficient for the present building, but has, at either end, an unoccupied lot, 70 feet wide and 130 feet long, sufficient for additions. The position is quite accessible, and will become still more convenient, as it is not far distant from the topographical centre of Boston.

PLAN OF THE BUILDING.

Various competing plans were submitted by different architects, and it was carefully considered by the Building Committee whether to erect a handsome, commodious building, which would be an architectural ornament, or a cheap, temporary building, to be torn down in a few years, when it should have become to some extent saturated with the emanations of disease. This latter plan has been gaining favor of late; but it is worthy of consideration that it is not always new and expensive buildings which exhibit the best results in curing patients, for the magnificent St. Thomas' Hospital, of London, recently erected at a cost of three and a half million dollars, has the highest death-rate of any hospital in that city, far exceeding that of Hôtel Dieu, in Paris, which has been crowded for centuries with the most severe and often virulent diseases. A middle course was adopted, and it was decided to erect a permanent central building, at a moderate cost, to which, at any future time, additional wards could be erected, while the administrative portion of the building would not require to be changed. The plans of the present hospital were pre-

pared by Mr. W. R. Emerson, the architect, who has had the general superintendence of the work of construction, in connection with a Building Committee of the trustees, consisting of Messrs. Charles G. Wood, E. B. de Gersdorff, J. H. Woodbury, and I. T. Talbot.

DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDING.

The building is of brick and stone, two stories high above the basement, seventy feet front and fifty feet deep, with a central projection of five feet in front, above which rises a tower sixty feet in height. The entrance is unique and beautiful and has attracted the especial attention of architects and others. A large portico with pointed roof supported by brick columns covers the freestone steps rising on three sides. The front doors are ornamented with cathedral glass. They form the centre of a large brick circle, and upon each side are windows affording light to the pharmacy and waiting-room. From the vestibule, on the left side on entering, opens the small waiting-room, 7 × 8 feet, and also the stairs leading to the basement. Double doors at the inner end of the vestibule lead into the main hall, 17 × 24 feet, on the opposite end of which is the reception and committee room, 13 × 24 feet. Leading from the hall, and to the right of the entrance, is the pharmacy, 8 × 13 feet, fitted up with drawers and cases for the medical and surgical requirements. Opening from the hall, in each corner of the building, are wards, 15 × 18 feet, suitable for from two to four patients each. The matron's room is in the centre of the northeasterly end, and corresponding to it, on the north-westerly end, is a room for private patients. Dumb-waiters, a bath-room, and water-closets are also on this story. A broad and easy stairway, with two landings, leads to the second or central hall, which is lighted by a skylight. Opposite the head of the stairway is the physician's room, and each end of the hall opens into a large ward, which forms a distinctive feature in this institution, combining, as it does, the advantages of the pavilion system in a permanent building. These wards are twenty feet wide, forty-eight feet long, and nineteen feet high, with windows upon three sides. At the end of each ward is a large window, circular at the top, with tinted cathedral glass and lead sash, which relieves the glare of the sun and sheds a soft, cheerful light through the rooms. In the centre of the side of each ward, opposite to the entrance, is a large brick fireplace, with ornamental mantel and a soapstone hearth six feet by eight, warmed by coils of steam-pipe below, which diffuse a gentle warmth so grateful to convalescents, who can sit on the hearth without being subject to the draft from a furnace register. Connected directly with each ward, yet outside its walls, is a dumb-waiter leading to the kitchen, and well-ventilated bath-rooms and water-closets. The nurses' rooms are small apartments connected with each ward. The space above these large wards is devoted entirely to ventilation, thus avoiding the difficulty which always occurs in large hospitals where one ward is placed above another.

In the central part of the third story front are two pleasant rooms, each containing a single bed, and in the rear are sleeping-rooms for nurses and servants. In the tower is a large and very pleasant room for patients, which, if necessity should ever require it, could be used for isolated cases. In the basement is a large, light, and airy hall, extending the whole length of the building, eight feet wide. The kitchen, in the southeast corner, is supplied with all the necessary appliances, including one of Whiteley's best ranges; and adjoining it is a commodious pantry. The general dining-room is in the centre, and a conveniently arranged laundry on the northeast corner. The remainder of the basement is devoted to janitor's, store, vegetable rooms, etc.

HEATING AND VENTILATION.

Especial attention has been paid to the methods of heating and ventilating, combining them in such a manner that each may effectually aid the other. The heat is supplied by an apparatus from the United States Soapstone Furnace Co.'s works, the cold air passing through soapstone chambers heated by the fire from the furnace, so that the air does not, at any point within the furnace, come in contact with heated iron. From the boiler, steam is conveyed to various parts of the building, and all the principal wards are heated by means of fresh air passing between the coils of steam-pipe, a method known as indirect radiation, with direct radiation by means of radiators where it is necessary or desirable.

In addition to the ventilation derived from the furnace, each room for patients contains an open fireplace, and the impure air is carried off by ventilators both in the ceiling and the floor.

Aside from the various chimney flues, registers, and windows, three of Robinson's large ventilators convey air to and from the various parts of the building. The ventilation was well tested and proved highly successful on the opening evening, when the building was crowded with nearly a thousand visitors. Through the summer months it proved equally efficient, and was pronounced by visitors without exception all that could be desired in this respect.

In the winter, and especially in very cold weather, it is always a difficult matter, in a building so large and airy as this, to fully harmonize the ventilation with a proper degree of heat and comfort. The present winter has, thus far, been one of unusual severity, but its tests have proved it more than satisfactory.

THE FINISH.

The interior finish of the building is in varnished pine, except the lower hall and staircase, which are in ash. The floors of the wards are laid in mortar, covered with double thicknesses of felt, thus relieving as far as possible all noise or transmission of sound in subjacent rooms. The floors themselves are of hard pine, matched in two-inch strips, so as

to avoid shrinkage cracks, while at the corners they are united to the mop-boards by a solid piece of hard pine. The hall floors are also laid in cement, and the lower hall and reception-room are of cherry and hard pine.

BUILDERS.

The mason-work was done by Standish & Woodbury, the carpentry by James F. Marston, the plumbing by P. Ryan, the plastering by J. Mack, and the painting by Hutchins & Anglin, under the supervision of the architect, W. R. Emerson; and great care was taken that every part should be done in the most substantial and thorough manner.

The building has been completed at a cost of \$48,966.11, the land costing \$27,750.26, making a total of \$76,716.37, all of which has been paid, so that the hospital stands clear of debt; but there are practically no funds remaining to pay its current expenses, which must necessarily be quite large. During the past year an effort has been made by the Executive Committee and the officers in charge to secure as far as possible paying patients, but the number of persons who would resort to a hospital and who are competent to pay the expenses incurred is very small compared with those who are too poor to pay anything, and yet who greatly need the protecting care of a hospital. In many hospitals, conducted in an economical manner, the average cost per week for each patient is about ten dollars, often much more, a sum beyond the reach of the class most needing hospital care. During the past year, although the hospital is new and highly attractive, exciting alike the admiration of visitors and the deepest gratitude of patients, yet at no time have one half of the beds been occupied, while the lack of a few thousand dollars per annum has detracted greatly from its usefulness. This is seen not only in the small number of patients, but in the character of their diseases, many coming only as a last resource or with chronic diseases of an incurable nature or such as had resisted every kind of treatment. Added to this there have been surgical patients, who felt that in the exigencies of their case they could not have the necessary care and treatment elsewhere. Such patients as these are ready, in their hopelessness and distress, to pay even their last dollar for relief; but in acute cases, those best adapted for the hospital, when hope is strong and they feel that a few weeks will find them again with all the accustomed wants of health, they and their friends will often temporize till it is too late, in order to save the expense rendered necessary by our present regulations.

To meet such cases it is quite necessary to go beyond the policy of making the institution self-supporting, and to throw open its wards as freely as possible to those cases among the destitute for which the hospital is best adapted. To do this would require either large endowments or the smaller annual contribution of money sufficient to meet the current expenses; and it cannot be doubted that the community, which has so

generously contributed to the erection of this fine hospital, will, if asked, sustain it in its charitable work. There are many ways by which aid can be given, and every person may be able to do something for it in one of the following methods :—

DONATIONS.

Any sums of money, large or small, may be sent at any time to the treasurer, or left with the matron at the hospital. Provisions, fruit, or delicacies of any kind suitable for the sick or convalescent are always acceptable ; clothing, bandages, and old linen are in constant demand ; while suitable books, ornaments, and flowers do much to make hospital life more cheerful and pleasant.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.

One of the most reliable and consequently best methods of aiding the hospital is by yearly subscription of such sum as any person may be able to contribute, to be paid at such time during each year as may be most convenient.

MEMBERSHIP.

One hundred dollars paid to the permanent fund constitutes the person for whom it is paid a member of the corporation, and entitles him to a voice in the affairs of the hospital. It is very desirable that the list of members should be widely extended.

FREE BEDS.*

ANNUAL.

Any person by paying *one hundred and fifty dollars* becomes thereby entitled to the control of a free bed for six months of the year following such payment. In this manner persons may not only benefit the hospital, but can often bestow upon their friends many times the value of the sum contributed.

PARTIAL LIFE-ENDOWMENTS.

The payment of *one thousand dollars* to the permanent fund entitles the person in whose name it stands to the life-control of a free bed during three months of each year.

FULL LIFE-ENDOWMENTS.

The payment of *twenty-five hundred dollars* to the permanent fund entitles the person in whose name it stands to the life-control of a free bed the entire year.

* Since the annual meeting the trustees have adopted the following :—

“ Voted, That any person contributing or collecting and paying to the treasurer of the hospital money for the support of free beds shall be entitled to admit patients, subject to the requirements and rules of the hospital, to the full amount of such donation at the current rates of the hospital within one year from the date of such payment. At the expiration of one year any unused portion of such payment shall go to the general fund for the support of the hospital.” In this way any person may readily secure the control of a free bed for a longer or shorter time, according to the amount raised or contributed.

PERMANENT ENDOWMENTS.

Any association, society, or individual, by paying *five thousand dollars* to the permanent fund, acquires thereby the title to a permanent free bed. This may be transmitted, by gift, legacy, or devise, to other individuals, or to the trustees of the hospital, to be kept by them as a permanent free bed.

Patients occupying free beds are subject to the rules and regulations of the hospital.

LEGACIES.

There is no method by which the benevolent can better dispose of their means than by placing them where they shall permanently help those who, through sickness and poverty, are unable to take care of themselves. Hospitals have always been a favorite charity; and we need only to call the attention of our friends to this hospital, that they may provide for its future interests as well as for its present necessities.

In any and all of these ways, the Board of Trustees recommend that aid should be given; but the history of this institution shows that there are still other methods, appealing alike to the benevolent and social feelings, which make charity a double pleasure. To such means the attention of its friends are especially called, as not only contributing to the required funds, but keeping constantly before the community the wants and necessities of the hospital.

By constant and unremitting effort, we shall increase its present usefulness and broaden the foundations for a much larger and more important institution.

I. T. TALBOT,
Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF MASS. HOMOEOPATHIC

The Receipts have been as follows :

Balance on hand from last report,		\$7,271 27
Hospital Sunday, November, 1875,	\$371 44	
“ “ December, 1876,	372 45	
	<hr/>	743 89
Annual subscribers,		336 00
United States 5-20 bonds sold,		12,797 50
Coupons U. S 5-20 bonds,		169 50
George Walker's note and interest,		28,500 00
Patients,		3,286 43
Donations from Mrs. B T. Reed,	\$100 00	
“ “ Sidney Wilbur,	25 00	
“ “ C. F. McCluer,	100 00	
“ “ Mrs. S. B. Rindge,	200 00	
“ “ J. Plain Baptist Church,	2 00	
	<hr/>	427 00
Free beds “ Mrs. Ellen Frost,	\$1,000 00	
“ “ Miss Ellen Stearns,	1,000 00	
“ “ Temporary, C. F. McCluer,	150 00	
	<hr/>	2,150 00
Membership “ Joel Goldthwait,	\$100 00	
“ “ Wm. B. Merrill,	100 00	
“ “ Chas. F. McCluer,	100 00	
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		\$55,981 59

Investments :

Bonds of Chicago and Mich. Lake Shore R. R.	\$17,000 00
Stock of Detroit, Hillsdale, and Southwestern R. R.	6,000 00
Scrip of “ “ “ “ “	120 00
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	\$23,120 00
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HOSPITAL FROM OCT. 1, 1875, TO JAN. 1, 1877.

Payments on account of new building,	\$29,441 45
“ “ “ “ land,	11,449 13
“ for milk,	441 34
“ “ butter,	380 89
“ “ groceries,	558 68
“ “ ice,	133 71
“ “ gas,	235 73
“ “ sundries,	46 72
“ “ repairs (old building),	78 01
“ “ medicines,	357 84
“ “ water,	67 71
“ “ rent (old building),	525 00
“ “ coal,	796 55
“ “ printing,	104 72
“ “ insurance,	542 00
“ “ matron for supplies,	2,805 37
“ “ matron, nurses, and servants,	2,035 62
Assessment Detroit, Hillsdale, and Southwestern R. R.	124 37
Cash on hand to balance,	5,856 75

\$55,981 59

F. W. ANDREWS, *Treasurer.*

E. & O. E., Boston, Jan. 1, 1877.

BOSTON, Jan. 15, 1877.

The undersigned, a committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account, have performed that duty, and find all the items properly cast, and vouchers for all the charges, and have also examined the securities and find them correct as above stated.

LIVERUS HULL.
WM. POPE.
ISAAC FENNO.

REPORT OF THE MEDICAL BOARD.

THE change from the temporary hospital in Burroughs Place to the spacious and well-arranged building which we now occupy is hardly more agreeable to the patients themselves than to the Medical Board. With better warmth, ventilation, and drainage; with sunlight upon every side, unobstructed by other buildings; with larger and more cheerful rooms, arranged with the greatest regard to comfort and convenience, and furnished in the most tasteful and pleasing manner; with a pharmacy carefully fitted up with medical and surgical apparatus; with a matron ever watchful of the interests of the hospital and of all its inmates, and energetic and efficient in supplying all its necessities and wants; with a house physician and a house surgeon, both of whom have performed their duties in a thorough and unexceptionable manner; with nurses who have been attentive, faithful, and kind, and servants who have sought to do well all that was required of them, — the Medical Board feel that not only is this hospital a vast improvement upon the one formerly occupied, but that it affords to its inmates comforts and conveniences scarcely equalled by any other hospital. The effect upon the patients has been highly beneficial, and severe chronic cases have made marked improvement, such as could not have been hoped for under less favorable surroundings. These cases show what results may be expected when increased funds shall enable the hospital to extend its advantages more widely.

The hospital was opened nearly six years ago. On Jan. 23, 1871, it received its first patient. Since that time the number of patients has increased annually as follows: —

From Jan. 23, 1871, to Oct. 1, 1871 (less than 9 months),	37
“ Oct. 1, 1871, to Oct. 1, 1872,	46
“ “ 1872, “ “ 1873,	48
“ “ 1873, “ “ 1874,	55
“ “ 1874, “ “ 1875,	78
“ “ 1875, “ Jan. 1, 1877 (15 months),	116
Total,	374

The results are as follows: —

Cured, so far as the disease admitted,	164
Greatly improved, or cured,	56
Improved,	58
Not improved,	27
Not treated,	13
Died,	20
Remaining,]	12

Many of those discharged as cured had chronic diseases which had previously been considered incurable. Among the improved were many who were made more comfortable than they had been for years. The death-rate has been unusually small, being about five and three tenths per cent; and of the twenty who died, nine entered in an advanced stage of consumption, or with cancer, dropsy, and one with *spina bifida*, without expectation of being cured; two died after very severe surgical operations, one from shock, and the other from violent inflammation; and of the remaining nine, which were acute cases, four were hopelessly sick on entering.

Though the hospital is designed especially for cases of acute disease, yet many of the patients have had chronic diseases of long duration and severity, and have been charitably allowed to remain beyond the limit fixed for chronic cases, viz., twelve weeks. Thus one patient, hopelessly sick, remained nearly two years, and several have been in the hospital more than a year. This greatly increased the average duration of each patient in the hospital, which has been nearly six weeks in the past year. The small number of patients augments the relative cost, which, since we have occupied the new building, has averaged \$11.46 per week for each patient. If there were double the number of patients, many of the expenses would remain the same as at present, while the average weekly rate would be greatly reduced. The number of patients who are able to pay the necessary expenses of a hospital is quite small, while every day brings more or less inquiry for free beds. It is hoped that some plan will be devised by which the hospital can open its large wards to those deserving poor who cannot otherwise receive its benefits.

Already we see the necessity for more careful classification of the patients. There should be provided, as soon as possible, separate wards for surgical cases, and let us hope that ere long the hospital will be so extended as to provide a lying-in department for those cases which appeal so strongly to our sympathies, one for diseases of women so common, and which specially require hospital treatment, and one for children, who, even more than others, require the prompt and efficacious action of homœopathic medicine. The extension of the hospital in these several directions is only a question of time, and will be hastened in proportion to the earnest activity of its friends and the friends of homœopathy.

REPORT OF THE FURNISHING COMMITTEE

OF THE NEW HOSPITAL.

THE committee appointed to attend to the furnishing of the new hospital beg to report that they have attended to the same, and believe that, as regards furniture and all necessaries for the comfort of patients, the culinary department, etc., etc., everything is now complete. The committee take great pleasure in acknowledging the very liberal contributions from friends to the institution, which has enabled them to procure the very best of articles required, so that the hospital is fully equal in all its appointments to those of a larger class. Several of our contributors selected special wards to be fitted at their expense, others single beds in the large wards, and others gave for general purposes.

We give in detail their contributions:—

Friends in First Church, including gas fixtures and window shades, fitted ward for 3 beds,		\$198 31
Mrs. A. G. Farwell,	“ “ 3 “	170 40
Mrs. Alexander Strong,	“ “ 3 “	192 15
Mr. Thos. C. Wales,	“ “ 2 “	139 84
Mrs. Geo. R. Russell,	“ “ 2 “	100 00
Mrs. Isaac Fenno,	“ “ 1 “	120 00
Mrs. Frank W. Andrews,	“ “ 1 “	
“ A friend,”		100 00
Mrs. Dr. D. Osgood,	Matron's room, Student's “	125 00
“ A. H. Bacheller,	fitted 2 beds in large ward,	120 00
“ Jonathan French,	“ 2 “ “	120 00
“ A. G. Weeks,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ Franklin Greene,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ Oliver Ditson,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ Franklin King,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ Wm. Pope,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ H. D. Whitney,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ W. L. Tower,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ S. E. Potter,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ D. L. Webster,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ C. V. Wood,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ B. W. Taggard,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ Fenno Tudor,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ Chas. E. Stratton,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
“ C. P. Adams,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Dr. W. P. Wesselhoeft,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Dr. Conrad Wesselhoeft,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Dr. Geo. Russell,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Reuter & Alley,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Miss E. Hemmenway,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Mr. H. C. Thatcher,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Mr. Thatcher Magoun,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Mr. John T. Bucknam,	“ 1 “ “	60 00
Shawmut Ave. Baptist Church,	“ 1 “ “	60 00

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS.

Mrs. John M. Forbes,	\$500 00
Mrs. W. P. Wesselhoeft (collected from friends),	310 50
Mr. John R. Hall,	100 00
Friends in Old South Church,	73 00
Mrs. S. C. Davis,	50 00
Mrs. S. P. Stratton,	40 00
Miss White,	20 00
Mrs. L. J. Knowles,	25 00
Mrs. C. H. Hooper,	10 00
Mrs. Boardman,	10 00
Mrs. Samuel Little,	10 00
Mrs. Butters,	5 00
Mr. Joseph Davis,	5 00
From sale of old furniture,	48 47
Friends in Methodist Episcopal Church, Tremont Street, through Dr. Woodvine, for hall clock,	60 00
Total,	<u>\$4,032 67</u>

The above is exclusive of amount paid by Mrs. F. W. Andrews in fitting up single ward, she preferring to pay the bills.

The Swedenborgian Church fitted up a large room, with one bed, using the furniture from their room in the old hospital. Mrs. C. H. Crump contributed the large gas fixture in the lower hall.

The committee would also acknowledge that the Ladies' Aid Association has most liberally contributed from their treasury for many articles necessary in the general furnishing of the building, particulars of which will no doubt appear in their annual report; but we mention all gas fixtures, window shades, kitchen ware, crockery, washing apparatus, etc., etc.

The committee now hope that the hospital, to which we have so long looked forward, and for which so many willing hands labored, being an accomplished fact, all of its friends and well-wishers will use their influence in making it known to the general public, and in having its wards occupied by those who require careful attendance and nursing.

CHAS. G. WOOD.

MRS. W. H. KENNARD.

MRS. H. B. STANWOOD.

MRS. F. R. ALLEN.

BOSTON, Jan. 17, 1877.

DONATIONS.

The following donations have been sent to the hospital at various times:

FRUIT AND FLOWERS.

Mrs. Wm. Pope, Mrs. A. Strong, Mrs. J. M. Forbes, Mr. T. C. Wales, Hollis-Street Mission, Mrs. A. G. Farwell, Mrs. Dr. Woodbury, Mrs. Wm. Carter, Miss Bennett, Mrs. Col. Russell, Mrs. G. B. Russell, Miss Noyes, Mrs. M. P. Kennard, Mrs. Wooldredge, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. H. B. Stanwood, Dr. A. H. Baker, Mrs. D. Hunt, Mrs. F. King, Mrs. C. E. King,

Miss May Palmer, Mrs. A. B. Robinson, Rev. Mr. Waldron, Dr. Krebs, Mrs. R. S. Frost, Miss Weld, Mr. Joseph Stanwood, Mr. C. E. Stratton, Mrs. A. Hemenway, Mrs. W. H. Horton, Mrs. Mohrong, A. Friend, Mrs. B. W. Taggard, Mrs. W. H. Kennard, Mr. N. Carruth, Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. I. T. Talbot, Miss Sarah Eastman, Miss Morey, Mrs. C. H. Dorr, Mrs. A. H. Batcheller, Mrs. H. F. Durant, Mrs. B. F. Curtis, Mrs. Washburn, Mrs. P. C. Brooks, Mrs. H. E. Raymond, Miss E. Hemenway.

VEGETABLES.

Mr. T. C. Wales, Mrs. P. C. Brooks, Mrs. A. E. Robinson, Mrs. M. P. Kennard, Mrs. Dr. Talbot.

ICE-CREAMS.

Miss Wales, Mrs. O. Ditson, Mrs. W. H. Kennard, Mrs. A. G. Farwell, Mrs. Porter, Rev. Mr. Waldron, Mrs. A. Hemenway, Mrs. F. King, Mrs. Dr. Angell, Mrs. F. W. Andrews.

MAGAZINES, PAPERS, AND BOOKS.

H. W. Dutton & Son, Mr. W. W. Clapp, Mrs. Jas. Reed, Mrs. S. S. Hills, Mrs. Lyman Blake, Mrs. E. R. Lougee, Mrs. H. L. Scudder, Mrs. Chester Guild, Mrs. Curtis Raymond, Mrs. Jas. Sturgis, Somerset Club, Mrs. Dowse, Mr. Arthur Reed, Mrs. C. E. Stratton, Mr. R. E. Robbins, Mrs. W. L. Tower, Highland Book Club, Mrs. Demeritt, Mrs. J. D. Stanwood, Mrs. M. P. Kennard, Mrs. Watson, Mrs. H. H. Smith, Mrs. L. M. Child.

PICTURES.

Mrs. J. M. Forbes, Mrs. A. B. Robinson, Mrs. Peter C. Brooks, Mrs. F. King, Mr. C. G. Wood, Mrs. M. F. King, Rev. Mr. Waldron, Mrs. Wm. Brigham, Mrs. G. H. Green, Mr. A. F. Bellows, Mrs. A. G. Farwell, Mrs. I. Fenno.

GROCERIES.

Mrs. Peter C. Brooks, Mrs. Washburn, Mrs. Lewis Day, Mrs. C. F. Mohrong, Mrs. Patterson, Mrs. Stevenson.

LINEN, COTTON, ARTICLES OF CLOTHING.

Mrs. P. C. Brooks, Miss Wales, Mrs. W. H. Kennard, Mrs. H. B. Stanwood, Mrs. A. G. Farwell, Mrs. Lougee, Mrs. F. King, Dr. Jernegan, Mrs. S. Bowen, Mrs. A. Andrews, Mrs. G. F. Williams, Mrs. Wm. Pope, Mrs. G. H. Davis, Mrs. D. Osgood, Mrs. G. R. Russell, Mrs. J. F. Osgood, Mr. Whitcomb, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Walter Abbott, Mrs. Hackett, Mrs. C. F. King, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. O. W. Holmes, Mrs. J. H. Thorndike, Mrs. Dr. Weld, Mrs. C. F. Mohrong, Mrs. Fenno Tudor.

FURNITURE.

Mrs. P. C. Brooks, Mrs. C. F. Mohrong, Mr. H. Turner, Mrs. W. H. Kennard, Mrs. L. F. Knowles, Mrs. E. B. de Gersdorff, S. B. Sumner, Miss Abby Whitney, Mr. Whitcomb, Dr. Geo. Russell.

We are indebted for many gifts to ladies who through delicacy have refused to give their names.

Parcels have been received also by expressmen from unknown donors.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1. The Corporation shall be composed of the persons named in the Act incorporating certain persons by the name of the "Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital," of such persons as may be, at any legal meeting of the Corporation, nominated and elected as members, and also of all such persons as shall have contributed the sum of one hundred dollars, or upwards, at any one time.

ART. 2. There shall be a meeting of the Corporation, on the third Wednesday in January, in each year, to be called the Annual Meeting, at which the following officers shall be elected, viz.: a President, four Vice-Presidents, such number of Trustees as the Corporation shall determine, not exceeding thirty, a Secretary, and a Treasurer; to serve one year and till others shall be chosen and qualified in their stead. The officers shall be or shall become members of the Corporation.

ART. 3. Notice of the Annual Meeting shall be given by the Secretary, in one or more newspapers printed in Boston, at least fourteen days previous to the day of meeting; but said meeting may be continued, from time to time, until the business thereof shall be accomplished; the Secretary giving at least one day's notice of the time and place of said adjournment, in a newspaper printed in Boston.

ART. 4. The President and Vice-Presidents shall be, *ex-officio*, members of the Board of Trustees.

ART. 5. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Corporation, and of the Board of Trustees, if present, and shall have power to order special meetings of the Corporation, or Board of Trustees, whenever, in his opinion, it may be expedient; the Secretary giving at least seven days' notice of such special meetings of the Corporation in one or more of the newspapers printed in Boston; and at least two days' notice of such special meetings of the Board of Trustees, to be sent by mail to each of the members.

In the absence or incapacity of the President, or vacancy of the office, one of the Vice-Presidents shall perform the duties which devolve upon the President.

ART. 6. The Trustees shall constitute a board for the immediate management of all the property and concerns of the institution. They shall meet at such times and places as they shall by vote determine, or as the President may direct, and all questions which come before the board shall be determined by a majority of the Trustees present and voting thereon. They shall have power to take any measures which they may deem expedient for encouraging subscriptions, donations, and bequests to the corporation; to petition the Legislature for

any additional grants or privileges, and for such amendments and alterations of the several Acts relative to the Corporation as they may think advisable; to take charge of, and watch over the general interests and concerns of the institution, to enter into and bind the Corporation by such compacts and engagements as they may deem advantageous; to appoint, annually or otherwise, all proper and necessary physicians, surgeons, officers, assistants, and servants, for the superintendence and management of the respective departments, with such salaries and allowances as they may, from time to time, fix and determine; to make such rules and regulations for the government of the said physicians, surgeons, officers, attendants, and servants, and for the admission of patients, and the well ordering and conducting of the respective departments of the institution as to them may seem proper and expedient. *Provided*, however, that the said rules and regulations shall at all times be subject to be altered or amended by the Corporation at their Annual Meeting, or at any legal meeting, specially called for that purpose.

They shall cause a fair record of all their doings to be kept, which shall be laid before the Corporation at every meeting thereof; and, at every Annual Meeting, they shall make a written report on the Treasurer's accounts and on the general state of the institution, comprising an account of the receipts and expenditures of the Corporation, a statement of the number of patients admitted and discharged during the year in each department, and all such other matters as may be of importance and interest to the Corporation; and for this purpose they shall, at some previous meeting, appoint a committee of the Board.

ART. 7. The Secretary shall notify and attend all meetings of the Corporation and of the Board of Trustees, and shall keep a distinct record of the doings of each. He shall also audit the accounts of the institution, and shall be sworn to the faithful performance of his duties.

ART. 8. The Treasurer shall give bonds, with sureties, to the satisfaction of the Board of Trustees, conditioned for the faithful discharge of his duties. He shall receive and have the custody of all moneys, bonds, notes, deeds, and other securities belonging to the Corporation, which he shall keep and manage, under the direction and control of the Board of Trustees or their Committee of Finance. He shall pay no money but by order of the Board of Trustees or of their committees, duly authorized by the Board to draw on him therefor. He shall render an account of the state of his books and of the funds and property in his custody, when called for by the Trustees or Corporation; and he shall make up the accounts to the last day of September in each year; which accounts shall be laid before the Corporation at their Annual Meeting, together with a report thereon, and upon the general state of the institution, by a committee of the Trustees, to be seasonably chosen by them for that purpose.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

ADMISSION AND DISCHARGE OF PATIENTS.

I. APPLICATIONS of patients for admission may be made to the attending physician or surgeon at the hospital on any day of the week between 11 and 12 o'clock. The patient should apply in person when able to do so; otherwise application may be made by a friend, and the patient will be visited by the admitting physician, or by some physician delegated by him.

II. The patient on admission shall give security, satisfactory to the Executive Committee, for the payment of expenses in the Hospital.

III. Contagious diseases, syphilis, delirium tremens, and also incurable diseases will not be admitted to the Hospital.

IV. No patient will be allowed to remain longer than twelve weeks, except by the special consent of the Medical Board.

V. All patients will be admitted and discharged upon the certificate of the attending physician or surgeon. He shall have discretionary power in the dismissal of patients, or he may refer doubtful cases to the Medical Board.

Patients shall be discharged by the attending physician or surgeon at any time when, in his opinion, the interests of the patient or of the Hospital demand it.

VI. Whenever a patient is removed from the Hospital without the consent of the attending physician or surgeon, he shall require from the person assuming the responsibility of the removal a written statement to that effect.

VII. The attending physician or surgeon shall not deliver the body of any person having died at the Hospital without a written receipt from the parties taking the same.

VIII. In case of the decease of any patient, the friends shall be appraised thereof by the matron, and the attending physician or surgeon shall sign a certificate of death, and shall furnish the City Registrar with a copy of the same. He shall also state the time and cause of death, the disposition made of the body, whether delivered to friends or buried from the Hospital. In the last case, he shall mention the place of interment.

RULES FOR PATIENTS.

I. Patients must be in their proper places in the wards during the daily medical and surgical visits, between 11 and 12 A. M., and always by 8 P. M., unless specially exempted by the attending physician or surgeon.

II. Patients shall not visit other wards without the consent of the Matron.

III. Those free patients who are able, are expected to assist in nursing and in such other services as may be reasonably required of them.

IV. No patient shall purchase, or cause any member of the household to purchase for him, any article of food whatsoever, or any other article, without the consent of the Matron.

V. Profane or obscene language, noisy or loud talking, and incivility are prohibited.

VI. The use of tobacco, wine, and intoxicating liquors is prohibited within the Hospital, unless prescribed by the physician.

VII. Patients may be visited by a clergyman of their own selection, and the wish for the performance of any particular religious rite shall be indulged when practicable.

VIII. The Rules of the Hospital must be implicitly obeyed by the patients. Should any patient wilfully and persistently disregard these rules, the friends will be notified to take him away, or, failing to do so, he will be discharged.

IX. Complaints for whatever cause may be made to the Matron or Executive Committee, and, when reasonable, shall be obviated, or reported by them to the Trustees.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

When the Trustees are not in session the Executive Committee shall have entire charge and control of the Hospital, and execute all the orders and directions of the Trustees in relation to it. They shall regulate all the supplies and purchases of the Hospital, except those pertaining to the pharmacist; determine the necessary number and the wages respectively of all the employés of the Hospital; fix the price per week of the various beds or rooms, and, whenever it is necessary, advise with and assist the Matron in enforcing the Rules and Regulations of the Hospital. They shall meet as often as once a week to examine and consider the affairs of the Hospital committed to them, and report on all important matters at the regular meetings of the Board of Trustees.

MATRON.

I. The Hospital shall be under the care of the Matron, who shall live in the building and shall not leave it except on necessary occasions. She shall not be absent for more than three hours at any one time, nor after ten o'clock, P. M., without the leave of the Executive Committee. She shall have the assistance of such nurses and servants as the Executive Committee may think proper, and shall hire, and, when necessary, discharge the same.

II. The Matron shall have the immediate superintendence of the nurses, servants, and all inmates of the Hospital, and shall enforce personal cleanliness, neatness, and obedience to orders on their part. In case of any refusal to conform to these Rules and Regulations, she shall report the same to the Executive Committee.

III. The Matron shall make the entire round of the Hospital at least once a day, that she may be assured of the neatness and order of each department, and may become acquainted with the patients, their necessities and wants, and see that they have every comfort.

IV. She shall have charge and superintendence of all furniture, bedding, linen, provisions, table and household supplies, and see that none are unnecessarily wasted or destroyed. She shall keep in a book, designed for this purpose, an exact inventory of all goods belonging to and in the Hospital; and also memoranda of breakages or losses, occasioned by the patients or otherwise, and is directed to require payment for any article carelessly injured or broken, and make a report each Saturday to the Executive Committee.

V. It is the duty of the Matron to receive all visitors, exercising discretion in showing to all suitable persons the Hospital and such wards as they may desire to see.

VI. The Matron shall assign rooms or beds to patients on their entrance according to the price of board agreed upon, and shall collect weekly the bills of all those who are not free patients.

VII. The Matron is requested to exclude from conversation at her table, and in every other place in the Hospital, all topics of a personal nature about any patient, such as anecdotes of patients, complaints, etc. Any nurse or servant violating this rule shall be discharged.

VIII. The Matron shall require punctuality at meals on the part of all connected with the Hospital.

The following are the hours for the meals:—

	BREAKFAST.	DINNER.	SUPPER.
For Patients	7 A. M.	1 P. M.	6 P. M.
For Matron, House Physician and Surgeon, and Nurses	7½ “	1½ “	6½ “
For Janitor and Servants	8 “	2 “	7 “

IX. If it be desired to invite any guest to one meal, the consent of the Matron shall be obtained; if to more than one, the consent of the Executive Committee is required.

X. The Matron shall insist upon economy in all departments of the Hospital.

XI. All supplies received by the Hospital, either by gift or purchase, shall be entered in a book called the “supply book,” which shall be regularly laid before the Executive Committee.

XII. A record shall be kept by the Matron of every important occurrence in the Hospital.

XIII. No gift or remuneration shall be received by the Matron, nurses, or servants, for anything done or to be done in virtue of their situation upon pain of peremptory dismissal.

HOUSE PHYSICIAN AND HOUSE SURGEON.

I. The House Physician and House Surgeon shall reside at the Hospital, and shall not absent themselves for more than two hours at any time without the consent of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, and on no account shall both be absent from the Hospital at the same time, unless it be in the attendance upon medical lectures in the adjoining college at such time as their services may not be required in the Hospital.

II. They shall accompany the Attending Physician and Surgeon respectively in their daily visits, make a careful record of the cases, the treatment, and the prescribed diet, prepare the medicines as directed, and deliver the same, together with necessary orders, to the nurses, directly after the morning visit.

III. They shall also have charge of the medical and surgical apparatus, and the library of the Hospital.

IV. They shall attend to patients on their admission, and give the necessary directions for their comfort before they are seen by their regular medical attendant, and, beside the morning visit with the Attending Physician and Surgeon, they shall make a daily evening visit to each patient between the hours of seven and eight P. M., and at such other times only as they may be requested to do so by the Matron or nurse.

V. All communications of a personal nature made to the House Physician or Surgeon by a patient, or by the Attending Physician or Surgeon concerning a patient, shall be considered as strictly confidential.

RULES FOR NURSES.

I. The nurses shall be responsible to the House Physician or Surgeon, as the case may be, for the regular administration of medicines and the care of patients, in accordance with the directions of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, and shall not give, or allow to be given, to the patients any article of food or drink, except such as the Physician or Surgeon may permit.

II. When articles of food are brought by visitors, the nurse will receive and take them to the Matron until permission be given for their being eaten.

III. The linen of medical wards shall be changed twice weekly; and in the surgical wards according to special instructions in each case. In the confinement wards at least one clean sheet shall be given each day; the pillow-cases shall be changed twice weekly; the personal clothing every two days, unless otherwise ordered by the Attending Physician.

IV. The soiled clothes from confinement and surgical wards shall be removed from the room at once; no clothes soiled in washing patients, medical and surgical furniture or apparatus, such as bed-pans, syringes, etc., shall be used twice, or put in a closet after use until thoroughly cleansed.

V. Each morning nurses shall procure from the Matron the required clean bed-linen and towels for their wards, and send the soiled linen to the laundry.

VI. The face and hands of all patients shall be bathed and their bed-linen changed before breakfast, unless in special cases, when instruction will be given by the Attending Physician or Surgeon.

VII. The patients in the medical wards, unless too ill may generally bathe themselves; in the surgical wards, the bathing will be according to special instructions in each case; in confinement wards the nurses shall bathe each patient once daily; when more or less frequently, special instructions will be given.

VIII. Nurses are required to be extremely careful at all times, and especially in bathing the patients, dressing wounds, giving enemas, etc., that there be the least possible exposure of the patient.

IX. Nurses shall follow the visits of the Physician or Surgeon, and shall, in all cases, hold themselves in readiness after the visit to receive orders from the House Physician or Surgeon. Concerning everything which may occur between the visits, the nurse may consult either House Physician or Surgeon, as the case may be.

X. A strict watch of each patient and of every symptom shall be kept by the nurse, and reported to the Physician or Surgeon at the visits, and the nurse should be able to give exact information of the quantity and quality of all discharges, etc.

XI. The nurse shall see that the medicine-glasses of her ward are kept replenished, fresh medicine prepared daily, and the empty glasses thoroughly cleansed.

XII. The bed-pans, syringes, etc., shall be cleansed immediately after use, and kept in a designated place for inspection at the morning visit of the Matron.

XIII. Articles belonging to each ward shall be kept for that ward only.

XIV. The nurses shall frequently wash the utensils as well as their own hands, with a weak solution of some disinfectant.

XV. Nurses will see that all is quiet in their wards during the night, and that the patients are not wakened before six o'clock, A. M. Between

the hours of nine o'clock, P. M., and six A. M., all noise, such as the turning on of water, unnecessary opening and shutting of doors, etc., shall be completely avoided.

XVI. The nurse in the Surgical Department shall see that the patients are kept perfectly quiet twenty-four hours at least after any important surgical operation, and that no person shall see them during this time without the permission of the Surgeon.

XVII. No visitors are allowed to patients in the maternity wards until five days after confinement.

XVIII. The nurses are required to see that visitors do not come into their wards without permission, nor remain longer than the time prescribed.

XIX. Each nurse, while on duty, shall wear a soft cotton dress, white apron, and soft shoes without heels. She shall particularly care for her personal cleanliness, neatness, and simplicity in attire.

XX. Underclothes should be perfectly plain; no elaborately trimmed garments can be sent to the Hospital laundry, and the number each week shall not exceed eighteen pieces for each person.

XXI. The nurses shall take a half-hour's exercise daily, in the open air, at such time as the Matron shall designate. When the nurse requires to be out a longer time, she must obtain special permission from the Matron.

XXII. It is strictly forbidden that nurses spend their time in each other's wards or rooms.

XXIII. All lights are to be put out in the wards at nine o'clock, except in special cases of sickness.

XXIV. The nurses are in a great degree responsible in their wards for the happiness and comfort of their patients, and will, in any difficulty or need, apply to the Attending Physician, House Physician, Surgeon, or Matron, as the case may be, in securing these.

XXV. The nurses shall immediately report to the Matron any infringements of the Rules and Regulations of the Hospital by the patients.

XVI. The nurses are requested not to waste gas or water, and to read over these rules every week.

PHARMACIST.

The Pharmacist shall have charge and make all purchases of the medicines, medical and surgical supplies and instruments, required in the Hospital or directed by the Medical Board.

JANITOR.

The Janitor shall have charge and be responsible for all the fires in the Hospital, and shall keep the wards and halls at a temperature of 70° or as near thereto as possible. He shall also see that the gas and water are properly regulated, and not wasted or unnecessarily used, and that the Hospital grounds are suitable cared for.

He shall assist in the moving and care of the patients and attend to such other matters about the Hospital as the Matron may require. He shall not leave the Hospital grounds without the knowledge and consent of the Matron. He shall see that all the windows and doors are secured and the gas in the halls turned off at ten o'clock, P. M.

SERVANTS.

- I. Servants are to rise at six o'clock, summer and winter.
- II. The servants will receive their orders from the Matron or some one designated by her, and will be held accountable by the Matron for their proper performance.
- III. The work must be done promptly, and as early as possible in the morning.
- IV. All employés must be in their respective places during their hours of duty. The doors of the Hospital will be closed at 10 P. M., at which time all are expected to be quiet, and those not on duty in their own rooms.

VISITORS.

- I. Patients will be permitted to receive visits from their friends on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of each week, from two to four o'clock, P. M., and at no other time without a special permit from the Physician or Matron.
In all cases, however, the Attending Physician or Surgeon may exercise discretionary powers as to excluding or admitting visitors. All visitors must leave at the expiration of the visiting hours.
- II. Visitors will not be permitted to take any meal in the Hospital, or to pass the night therein, without the permission of the Executive Committee.
- III. No visitor will be allowed to give any article of food or drink to a patient, unless by permission of the Attending Physician or Surgeon, and any articles sent to the patient shall be left with the Matron or nurse.

MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATION.

Named in Act of Incorporation.

Otis Clapp.
 John P. Jewett.
 Jacob Sleeper.
 Charles B. Hall.
 George Bancroft.
 * John D. Richardson.
 * Adam W. Thaxter, Jr.
 * Simon G. Cheever.
 * Otis Tufts.
 Robert L. Robbins.
 James Dennie,

Dr. H. C. Ahlborn.
 Mrs. E. B. Allen.
 Frank W. Andrews.
 Dr. H. C. Angell.
 C. A. Bartol.
 D. H. Blaney.
 B. F. Campbell.
 W. W. Churchill.
 William Clafin.
 Mrs. Ed. Codman.
 Mrs. John F. Demeritt.
 Mrs. Oliver Ditson.
 * Joseph Dix.
 Mrs. A. G. Farwell.
 Isaac Fenno.
 Dr. M. J. Flanders.
 Mrs. J. M. Forbes.
 R. S. Frost.
 Mrs. Ellen Frost.
 Joel Goldthwait.
 Chester Guild.
 Dr. E. B. de Gersdorff.
 John R. Hall.
 Alpheus Hardy.
 Mrs. Augustus Hemenway.
 F. A. Howard.
 Liverus Hull.

Mrs. M. P. Kennard.
 Mrs. W. H. Kennard.
 Wm. B. Merrill.
 C. F. McClure.
 John Felt Osgood.
 Dr. J. P. Paine.
 A. C. Perkins.
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 William Pope.
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 Mrs. H. E. Raymond.
 Mrs. B. T. Reed.
 Isaac B. Rich.
 S. B. Rindge.
 Mrs. S. B. Rindge.
 Royal E. Robbins.
 Dr. George Russell.
 Mrs. George R. Russell.
 Henry S. Russell.
 Dr. O. S. Sanders.
 Francis G. Shaw.
 Miss Ellen Stearns.
 Alex. Strong.
 James Sturgis, Jr.
 Dr. I. T. Talbot.
 Mrs. Caroline Tappan.
 Isaac Thatcher.
 Dr. David Thayer.
 Mrs. Fenno Tudor.
 Dr. F. H. Underwood.
 D. B. Washburn.
 Dr. C. Wesselhoeft.
 Dr. W. P. Wesselhoeft.
 Benj. H. White.
 Dr. S. Whitney.
 Charles G. Wood.
 Dr. J. H. Woodbury.
 Dr. D. G. Woodvine.

* Deceased.

REPORT
OF THE
LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION
OF THE
MASSACHUSETTS HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL.

SINCE our last published report, made to Sept. 30, 1871, a year after its organization, this Association has kept steadily on in its work as first instituted. It is the duty of the directors to visit the hospital during their assigned months, and to benefit the patients by the cheer that comes from pleasant outside influences, by sympathizing looks and words, by reading and conversation, and by many personal services which are peculiarly grateful to the sick and dependent. They have furnished, from time to time, fruits and other delicacies, such as a hospital ordinarily cannot supply, but which conduce to the health and happiness of the patients. Flowers, too, given by these ladies, or sent from the Flower Mission, have been a very great aid as inspirers of all that is hopeful to the disheartened and weary invalid, brightening the otherwise long and tedious hours.

The following are its present directors: Mrs. Geo. R. Russell, Mrs. Aug. Hemmenway, Mrs. Oliver Ditson, Mrs. A. G. Farwell, Miss Mary R. Wales, Mrs. Franklin King, Mrs. Wm. Pope, Mrs. David Hunt, Mrs. R. S. Frost, Mrs. Alexr. Strong, Mrs. F. W. Andrews, and Mrs. Edward R. Whitney; Treasurer, Mrs. S. T. Hooper; Secretary, Mrs. M. P. Kennard.

One of its original directors, Mrs. T. C. Wales, died Jan. 2, 1872. At the general meeting of the Board of Officers, held the thirty-first day of the same month, it was voted that a friendly note be sent to Miss Wales, expressive of the tender regard in which her mother, Mrs. T. C. Wales, was held by this Board, and their deep sense of loss on her removal by death.

In the new hospital a memorial room provided by her family stands in Mrs. Wales's name.

The following are the names of other directors who have served: Mrs. Fenno Tudor, Mrs. J. M. Forbes, Mrs. Sampson Reed, Mrs. John Ware, Mrs. William F. Weld, Mrs. Charles H. Dorr, Mrs. Henry B. Stanwood, Mrs. H. E. Raymond, and Mrs. M. P. Kennard, who became secretary in 1873, when at our annual meeting our former secretary, Miss Hannah E. Stevenson, the active co-worker and friend of this institution from its earliest inception, was obliged to resign on account of ill health. She was retained, however, as director till the last annual meeting, when she felt it her duty to vacate that position for one who was better able to serve. Expressions were made of deep regret at the loss of her cheering presence at our meetings, her excellent judgment and valuable services.

Three members of the Association — Mrs. Alexander Strong, Mrs. W. H. Kennard, and Mrs. Frank R. Allen — were appointed on the Supply Committee at the beginning of the hospital, and to the present time they have

remained most painstaking and faithful in their duties. They superintend the domestic arrangements and household economy of the hospital, its supplies and necessities; and to them the matron reports weekly. In addition to these duties, they had the supervision of the Surgical Department, established in 1873 in the Homœopathic College Building, East Concord Street, and their efforts contributed much to the comfort of patients in this department; and, recently, in the furnishing of our new hospital with all its necessities and comforts, theirs have largely been the labor and responsibility. Their zeal and devotion have been untiring, and to them this Association is much indebted for the present inviting and exceedingly well-appointed departments of the fine new hospital, East Concord Street. Their appeals for aid in furnishing were responded to in a most satisfactory manner, as their report will testify.

On January 25, 1874, our hospital met with a great loss, in the death of Miss Abby D. Varney, who had been connected with the hospital from the beginning, and, since April, 1871, had been a devoted and faithful matron. An appreciative and feeling tribute was paid to her memory by the Board officers, at their subsequent meeting, January 28, in the adoption of appropriate resolutions, which were published, and copies of the same sent to her relatives.

In February, 1874, Miss Mary A. Hale was appointed matron, which position she occupied till January, 1876, when she was succeeded for a short time, by Mrs. H. B. Simpson, and finally by Miss I. E. Kelsey, who now occupies the position.

During the past year, at the request of the Board of Officers of the Association, a woman physician, Dr. Mary Safford Blake, has been added to the medical staff of the hospital, and the addition of several of our officers to the Board of Trustees indicates that the hospital will not only claim our sympathies for general reasons, but as specially regarding the wants and claims of women.

The great and unprecedented success of our Hospital Fair in 1872 is well remembered. The sale of goods and coffee-party combined, in April, 1874, proved alike pleasant to the friends and successful to the funds of the hospital. Again, in April, 1875, a delightful evening reunion and coffee-party at the Deacon House gave important pecuniary aid to our Association. Thanks are due the many friends of these enterprises for the hearty support and liberal aid which insured their success.

As the completion of the new hospital drew near, an event ardently desired, and for which this Association had zealously labored betimes during the few years of its existence, it was felt that increased efforts were necessary in its behalf, and for this, and to place the subject more conspicuously before the public, an opening of the hospital with our annual reunion was decided on. This occurred on the evening of April 20, after two meetings of the Association, the homœopathic physicians, and other friends had been held, and the usual arrangements by competent and faithful committees were consummated by what proved a delightful and successful entertainment, where all who met might justly congratulate one another that our fine new hospital was at last erected, with its abundant conveniences and health-restoring arrangements.

This Association takes heartfelt interest in all the workings of the new hospital. With the exception of the two rooms furnished by the First Church and the New Church, results of efforts made by members of this Association, all its one, two, and three bedded rooms were furnished by individual members, as also have been the physicians' and matron's rooms and most of the beds in the two large wards, besides other items of necessity and expense.

By this gathering and the general interest it awakened as an effort of a most beneficent and needed, as well as needy institution, the sum of \$2,498.50 was realized by the Supply Committee ; \$1,518.56 by sale of tickets, from which \$151.64 were deducted for expenses, and a surplus of \$95.00 over the expenses of the refreshments, money for which was given by friends, making in addition to \$1,000 for a free bed (the sum for these has since been raised to \$2,500 by the Board of Trustees), a satisfactory record as the result of the efforts of this Association at this time, thanks to the kind and ready assistance of those who may now witness the standing and fitting memorial. For the Association,

C. A. KENNARD,
Secretary.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I. The object of this Association shall be to aid the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital.

ART. II. Ladies may become members of this Association by the payment of \$2.00 annually.

ART. III. The officers shall consist of twelve Directors, a Secretary, and a Treasurer, who shall have the control of the affairs of the Association, and shall submit a report of their doings at the annual meeting of the Association.

ART. IV. The Secretary and Treasurer shall perform the duties usually pertaining to those offices.

Each Director shall select some person or persons, who, with herself, shall be a Board of Hospital Visitors for the month to which she is assigned. It shall be the duty of the Board of Visitors to provide, as far as possible, for the needs of the patients, each Director arranging with her assistants for a daily visit to the hospital.

ART. V. The annual meeting of the Association for the election of officers and the transaction of other business shall be held on the same day as the annual meeting of the Corporation of the hospital, the last Wednesday of January.

Monthly meetings of the Board of Officers shall be held on the last Wednesday of each month. At each regular meeting, a report shall be made by the Board of Visitors for that month.

Special meetings of the Association and of the Board of Officers shall be held at the call of the Secretary, at the request of three Directors.

ART. VI. Should vacancies occur in the Board of Officers, they may be filled by the Board.

ART. VII. The Constitution of this Association may be altered or amended at its annual meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

OF THE LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION OF THE MASSACHUSETTS HOMOEOPATHIC HOSPITAL, FROM DECEMBER, 1870, TO DECEMBER 31, 1876.

1870.		
Dec. 31.	Received from annual subscriptions and for furnishing rooms,	\$583 00
	Paid for supplies, etc.,	<u>19 30</u>
	Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1870,	\$563 70
1871.		
Dec. 31.	Received from subscriptions, donations, and for furnishing rooms,	<u>1,782 96</u>
	Paid for supplies, furnishing rooms, etc.,	<u>\$2,346 66</u> <u>2,321 85</u>
	Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1871,	\$24 81
1872.		
Dec. 31.	Received from annual subscriptions, donations, etc.,	<u>535 00</u>
	Paid for supplies, etc.,	<u>\$558 81</u> <u>177 32</u>
	Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1873,	\$382 49
1873.		
Dec. 31.	Received from subscriptions and donations,	<u>696 00</u>
	Paid for supplies, etc.,	<u>\$1,078 49</u> <u>379 15</u>
	Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1874,	\$699 34
1874.		
Jan. 1.	Balance cash on hand,	699 34
Dec. 31.	Received from subscriptions, etc.,	<u>733 50</u>
	Paid for supplies, furniture, etc.,	<u>\$1,432 84</u> <u>795 50</u>
	Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1875,	\$637 34
1875.		
Dec. 31.	Received from subscriptions, etc.,	<u>556 00</u>
	“ proceeds coffee-party (Deacon House),	<u>1,508 72</u>
	Paid for supplies,	<u>\$2,702 06</u> <u>258 96</u>
	Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1876,	\$2,443 10
1876.		
Dec. 31.	Received from subscriptions, donations, interest, etc.,	<u>863 33</u>
	“ proceeds coffee-party at hospital,	<u>1,432 36</u>
	Paid for supplies, furniture, etc.,	<u>\$4,738 79</u> <u>1,263 86</u>
	Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1877.	<u>\$3,474 93</u>

BOSTON, Jan. 1, 1877.

E. & O. E.

Examined and approved by

MRS. S. T. HOOPER.

MRS. F. W. ANDREWS.
M. R. WALES.

MEMBERS OF THE LADIES' AID ASSOCIATION.

- Angell, Mrs. H. C.
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 Aphorp, Mrs. R. E.
 Albree, Mrs. John
 Atkinson, Mrs. Edward
 Ayers, Mrs. Olive
 Alderman, Mrs. J. F.
 Adams, Mrs. Thomas
 Abell, Mrs. Dr. Lucy W.
 Allen, Mrs. F. R.
 Allen, Miss M. J.
 Adams, Mr. L. B.
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 Bigelow, Mrs. L. A.
 Blake, Mrs. Charles
 Bigelow, Mrs. Joshua
 Baker, Mrs. Wm. W.
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NOTE. — Any lady may become a member by sending her address and two dollars, or more, to the Treasurer, Mrs. S. T. Hooper, Westminster Avenue, Boston Highlands.

METHODS OF ASSISTING

THE

MASSACHUSETTS HOMŒOPATHIC HOSPITAL.

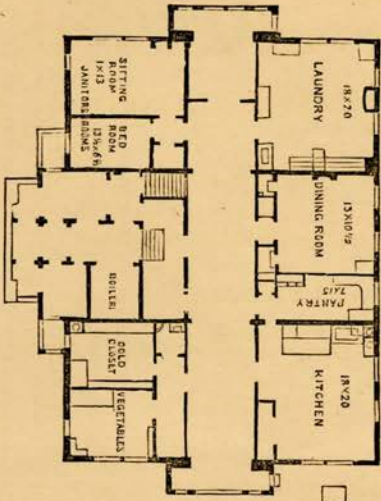
ANY person can aid the hospital by contributing in either of the following ways:—

1. Donations of money in any amount and at any time, as it is always needed; also of fruit, flowers, vegetables, provisions, books, ornaments, clothing, bandages, old linen, and whatever is necessary or useful for the sick.
2. Annual subscriptions, to be paid at any time during the year, and continued at the will of the donor.
3. One hundred dollars for membership.
4. One hundred and fifty dollars annually for a free bed, to be used six months in the year.
5. One thousand dollars for a free bed, to be used three months each year during the donor's life.
6. Twenty-five hundred dollars for a free bed, to be used all the time, if desired, during the donor's life.
7. Five thousand dollars for a permanent free bed, which may be kept always full.
8. Any sum of money given or collected for free beds, for which a certificate is issued which entitles the holder to a free bed within one year, to the full amount of the certificate, at the established hospital rates. By this method almost any person may secure the control of a free bed.

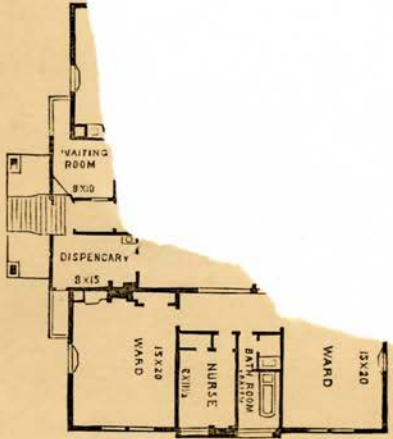
FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital, to be paid by my executors to the person acting as treasurer, the sum of _____ dollars, to be applied to the charitable uses and purposes of said hospital under the direction of its board of officers.

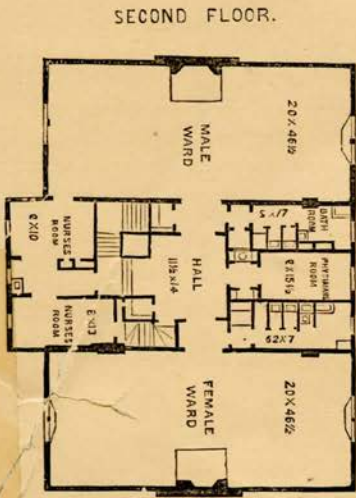
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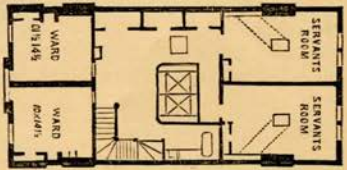
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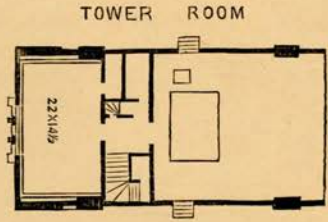
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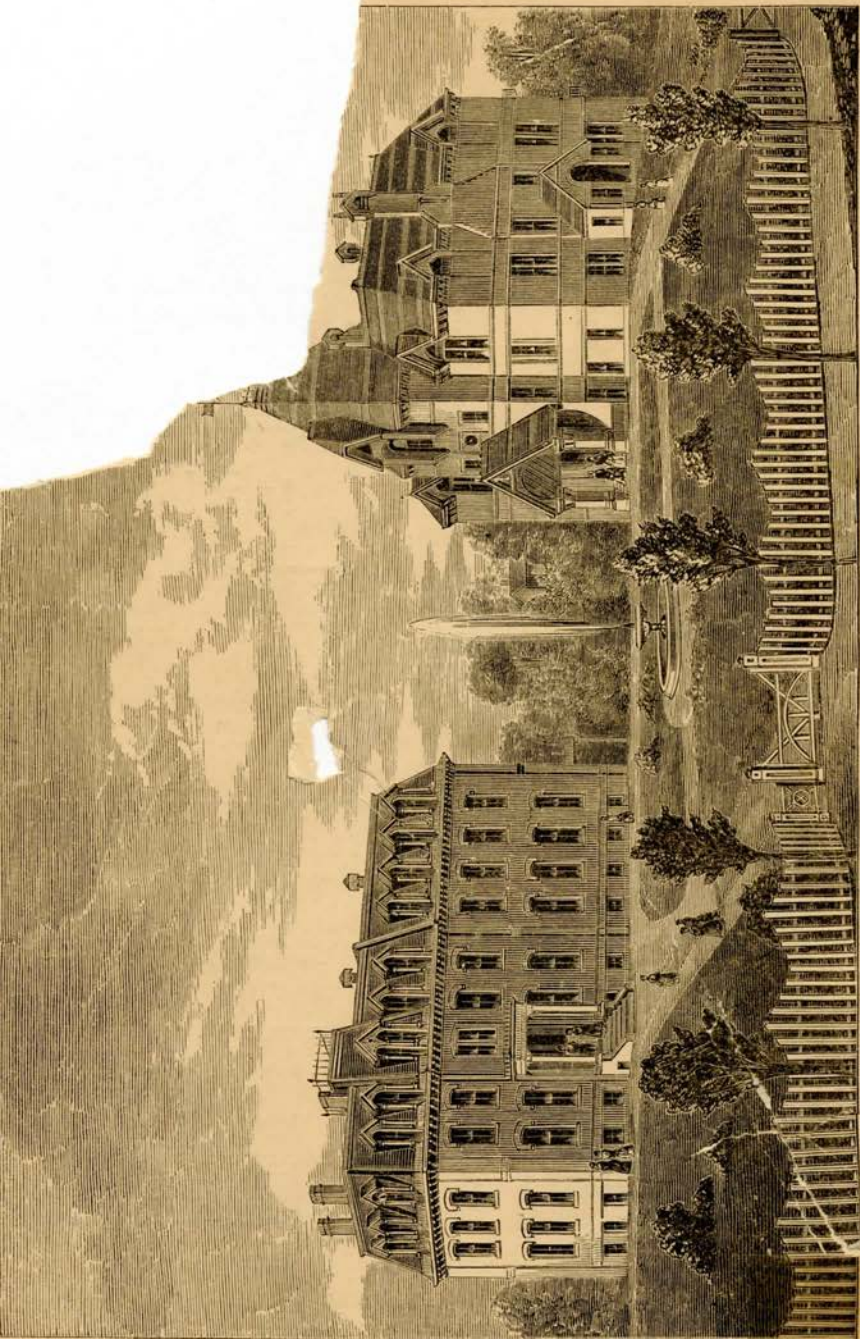
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