
REPORT OF SELECT COMMITTEE.

AID TO HOSPITALS.

MR. SPEAKER,—

Your Select Committee “appointed to enquire into and report to this House as to “the most equitable basis upon which aid should be granted to the Hospitals throughout “the Province,” have the honour to report:—

That they find that returns of income and expenditure and of the number of patients admitted and discharged have not been made to the Government by the Directors of the several Hospitals of the Province sustained by grants of public money.

That it is impossible now to obtain this information from the more distant Hospitals in time to submit during the present Session recommendations framed to apply generally to such institutions in accordance with existing conditions and necessities varying so greatly in different localities.

Your Committee, nevertheless, consider themselves warranted in recommending that accurate and comprehensive returns of all matters concerning patients and expenditure, with the views of the respective Boards of Directors as to the best mode of economical administration consistent with the best possible care of the sick, should be obtained by the Government during the recess and presented to the House at an early period of the next Session; and that the Boards of Management of Hospitals should be notified that after the coming year it is probable that measures will be taken to more fairly regulate the relations between the voluntary and the public aid contributed to the invaluable institutions under their charge.

J. A. MARA,
Chairman.

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