

a vessel with such a freight of human lives should be going at full speed, at mid-night, and among icebergs. To the ordinary man such things sound as if they should not be!

History has shown that the sacrifice of some is necessary for the safety of the many. This disaster may cause the various countries to agree upon rules for ocean traffic that will make for safety. These rules are apparent to all and consist in taking the safest routes, going at a safe rate of speed, carrying sufficient life-saving devices, having on board skilled persons to man important positions, training the crew on every detail of duty in the event of an emergency, etc.

The one thing that is left out of this sad event is that men and women were brave in the face of death, and lived up to the noblest traditions of the past.

Life every man holds dear, but the brave man
Holds honor for more precious dear than life.

VACCINATION IN ONTARIO.

The recent Act governing the practice of vaccination may accomplish some good. It places the control of vaccination under the Boards of Health. This is much safer than to leave it in the hands of Boards of Education. If any district is threatened with smallpox there is every reason to believe that more vigorous steps will be resorted to in the future for the suppression of the disease than has been the case in the past. The Act is not perfect, but it is a vast improvement on the former one.

THE HEALTH OF ONTARIO.

Taking the whole list of cases reported and deaths occurring, there have been 461 fewer cases and 55 fewer deaths in March than in March a year ago. The total of cases for March, 1911, was 1,772, and the deaths 203, while for March, 1912, there were 1,311 cases and 148 deaths. In March, this year, there were 87 cases, and 10 deaths from typhoid, against 300 cases and 41 deaths last year. From measles there were 264 cases and 4 deaths this March, against 368 cases and 8 deaths last year. Scarlet fever shows a decrease of 421 cases for this March when there were 290 cases and 16 deaths, compared with 711 cases and 25 deaths a year ago.

On the other hand, there were 183 cases and 12 deaths from whooping cough this March, and only 22 cases and 4 deaths in the same month last year. Smallpox cases totalled 103, with 1 death this March, as against