

There is so much now written upon sexual hygiene that the time has arrived for medical societies to make authoritative pronouncements upon the subject.

With an intimate connection with medical societies for upwards of twenty years, the writer recalls the paucity of papers, reports of cases and discussions upon sexual matters; and even in the teaching of anatomy and physiology to medical students not much particular stress has ever been laid upon purely sexual subjects.

Is this to mean that the medical profession as a body consider that an animal instinct will take care of itself? Is there a danger of man becoming to know too much about himself? For certainly it is dangerous to the young and growing mind to have that mind regularly and systematically fastened upon all matters sexual.

There are many human moth balls in this world whose mission, in their own minds, is to disinfect the balance of mankind. Voluntary societies of all sorts and conditions spring up like mushrooms all over the land; and it may become necessary in future generations to regulate and restrict the formation of societies by governmental action and supervision.

Haphazard methods of attempting to correct social evils and sporadic flights into Utopian realms smack all too much of the visionary.

What every country needs is a Department of Health, so that all matters appertaining to the health welfare of the people may be systematically prosecuted and effectively conducted.

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### THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING

It will be of interest to the profession, generally, to know that the next meeting of the Association is to be held in St. John, N.B.

It will extend over four days, the 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th of July next. St. John has excellent hotel accommodation and ideal weather in the summer time. The thermometer is rarely above 70°, and the nights are refreshingly cool and invigorating. Preparations for the meeting are already well under consideration. The profession of the city is working as a unit to make it one of the most successful ever held by this association.

Medical men throughout Canada and elsewhere contemplating a holiday in which pleasure and profit may be combined cannot do better than arrange to go to St. John next July.