

system, and felt assured that in three or four years we can get rid of tuberculosis, at any rate aid it by a more extensive slaughter than in the Old Country. We should set the example and lead the world in the matter of this eradication.

#### THE RESULTS ALREADY ACHIEVED AT THE GRAVENHURST SANITARIUM.

Dr. J. H. ELLIOTT (Medical Superintendent of that institution) reported on this subject. He first gave a description of the founding of the sanitarium, the gentlemen who had interested themselves in its establishment, such as Sir Donald Smith; Chief Justice, Sir William Meredith; Mr. W. J. Gage and Dr. N. A. Powell, Toronto, and then proceeded to enlighten the membership of the Association as to its management. In no sense has it been erected for speculative purposes. It is intended to be, in every respect, a public institution and to make at least half of the beds free. Already \$70,000 has been expended on the place. He then described fully the construction of the administration building and several cottages. In his classification of cases when admitted, he had followed the methods of Trudeau: "incipient," "advanced," and "far advanced." On discharge, they are classified as: "apparently cured," "disease arrested," "improved," "stationary," "failed" or "died." "Apparently cured," signifies absolute absence for three months of any expectoration. "Disease arrested," cases in which bacilli are still present, but all constitutional disturbance gone for some time. "Improved," are cases in which there has been some marked improvement in the condition of the lung. The first year's report shows that 116 were admitted during the first year. Of these, 33 remained at the close of the year, 83 having been discharged. There were 13 "apparently cured"; 23 "disease arrested"; 29 marked "improved"; 11 "unimproved"; 5 "failed," and 3 died. The average stay of each patient was 98 days. Making a selection of 30 patients in three months, 6 being "incipient" cases, 10 "advanced" and 8 "far advanced." Of the 30, 22 gained in weight, 4 lost weight, and 4 neither gained nor lost. One patient, in four months, gained 41½ pounds. These results were obtained while the sanitarium was undergoing development. The sanitarium year ends on the 30th of September. Taking the first nine months of the year, ending at the 30th of June, of 17 "incipient" cases, 11 were "apparently cured," 6 "improved" or "disease arrested," none "stationary," none "failed" and none died. There were three cases of doubtful evidence of phthisis, one was "much improved" and two "apparently cured." The average stay was 152 days. Of the 72 cases discharged, 61 had bacilli when admitted and 47 had bacilli when discharged. Of the 72 cases, 60, or 88 per cent., gained in weight. One patient gained 18 pounds in the first month. He drew especial attention to the fact that of 17