

Officer, Dr. Ls. Laberge, who has been in charge for the past 15 years and who now receives a salary of \$3,000 a year, plus an allowance of \$250 for horse keep. Immediately responsible to the Medical Health Officer are the secretary, accountant and messenger of the department. All orders of the Committee are transmitted by the secretary to the Medical Health Officer, and are by him issued to his various subordinates. So much for the staff at our disposal. Let us return now to further consideration of the work of the department under the headings herein before mentioned.

THE ENFORCEMENT OF MEASURES RELATING TO THE CLEANLINESS OF THE CITY.

It is the duty of the Board of Health to see to it that all sanitary measures relating to the cleanliness of the city are put in force. A considerable code of such regulations exists in the form of by-laws passed from time to time by the Council. As previously explained, the Board of Health no longer undertakes to clean the streets and the lanes, but is, (or should be at least) the watchful inspector to overlook such work, now in the hands of another department, and to see that it be properly done. To this end there is a municipal force known as the Sanitary Police. It consists of a captain, one lieutenant and 19 inspectors. The officers and men wear a blue serge uniform with a forage cap and a metal badge, so as to be readily distinguished by the citizens. Each badge worn by an inspector has thereon a distinctive letter of the alphabet, so that, should any citizen desire to make complaint regarding a given sanitary official, identification presents no difficulty. For the purpose of visitation the city is divided into 12 districts. To each district is assigned one sanitary inspector. It is his duty to make a careful house-to-house inspection and to cover his entire district twice a year. As, however, these inspectors are frequently taken from their regular work for special duties such as, at present time, the inspection of lanes, yards, and privy pits, I must admit that the city is not covered as required.

Each inspector reports at the City Hall before starting out on his day's work and again immediately after lunch and finally at 5 p.m. In a book, devoted exclusively to his work, a detailed report of what he has done or seen during the day is entered.

The majority of recorded complaints are upon such items as the following:—Repairs needed on given premises to put the plumbing or drainage into proper order; unhealthy house, dilapidated, overcrowded, damp or dirty; privy full, in need of cleaning, or in bad repair; manure box unemptied; filth or water in the cellar; dirty yard, lane or vacant lot in need of cleaning, etc. The following morning the office staff examines the several books, collects and classifies the various complaints and the work of taking the necessary steps to abate each separate nuis-