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You have probably noticed in the newspapers that the Montreal Anti-Tuberculosis and General Health League has ceased to function. The Health League was brought into being to promote interest in health work and to secure action by the municipal authorities.

A considerable part of the work of the League was to prepare the way for the Health Survey. You were kind enough to act, on my invitation, as a member of the Montreal Health Survey Committee, and I am sure you must be gratified by the marked progress in public health which has occurred and which, in my opinion, can be very largely attributed to the Health Survey.

It is most desirable that the Montreal Health Survey Committee remain in existence. The Committee has public and official confidence. Its continuance is a guarantee that interest in the development of an adequate health programme is assured, and that a sympathetic yet critical watch is maintained over the action of the authorities in this important field of public responsibility.

It is suggested that next year the Committee have prepared a report showing what action has been taken on the recommendations made in the Survey Report, in order to inform the public and to keep them interested. It is also generally felt that a second complete survey should be made ~~in two or three~~ <sup>from now,</sup> years to measure progress since the first survey and to draft a further programme of recommendations.

Public Health does not stand still, and, from time to time, we should take stock and consider the development of this work in Montreal in the light of the newer possibilities which will be opened as time goes on.

The General Health League has passed to the Survey Committee the responsibility of furthering the development of the Health Department. I would like to