

Public Health. The question of Infant Mortality and a pure milk supply, etc., can only by strong combined effort receive the attention it ought. The municipal authorities need the voice of a strong force to make them realize their duties in this respect, as too many interests are opposed to the carrying out of real reform for the public health. These matters call for our attention or as a profession we lose in reputation, for the health of the public speaks for the success or failure of our work. We shall also lose as individuals by such neglect and lead a life of constant dissatisfaction. But we have a new country and all before us—only hindrances, apathy and the antipathy of the few. If we prove ourselves open and fair-minded with definite opinions of our own, then only can we be of any account and have influence professionally, politically and individually. For this we need publicity. That was another reason for the publication of this journal. To ventilate freely all conditions detrimental to the best interests of our western profession and try to find a remedy.

More is needed—an organization which shall voice the opinions and needs of the West fearlessly. The cause of much apathy is that active-minded and interested men refuse absolutely to submit to the control of an authority in the selection of which they had no voice.

To gain these points cited—points so vital to our individual as well as professional welfare—it is imperative we form a union—a **Western Canada Association**—for if we do not assert our western individuality, little wonder the East considers us of no importance when considering matters affecting the whole profession. Little wonder the general public follow suit and go East or to the States when they want anything good, as they think, medically. Now is our opportunity to unite and assert ourselves, and the sooner we do it, the better.