

and there is no word of criticism, no cry of infringement of the code of medical ethics.

There have been biographical studies of the lives of the time-honored founders of medicine; biographical articles on the discoverers of causes of different diseases; biographical sketches of the institutors of new treatments of disease—and medical journals either publishing the same synchronously, or making comment thereupon, without even the slightest trace of criticism.

Truly, we live in a new day and generation. New customs spring up overnight. Old ones cease between the rising of the sun and the going down thereof. We are entering upon a new era—the era of the prevention of disease, long years ago predicted by Sir Lauder Brunton in these words: "Preventive medicine, or prophylaxis, is daily becoming more important, and possibly before the end of this (nineteenth) century, medical men will be employed more to prevent people from becoming ill than to cure them when disease has become fairly established."

The prescience of this scientist cannot now be questioned. As the medical supervision of schools develops and expands, as the benefits to the human race are seen in future generations, through the careful training and up-bringing of the child by the school doctor, so will society demand for itself medical supervision, and the community will be divided into districts under the direct supervision of the public doctor. It is a practical, not an Utopian, project. It is utilitarian to a supreme degree.

What a powerful influence, then, can the newspaper wield for the good of the community; and what a baleful influence, if misdirected!

The Ontario Medical Association's Preliminary programme is published on another page. The annual meeting this year is to be held in Niagara Falls, Ont., on the 30th and 31st of May, and June 1st—Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of that week. It will be seen that the Programme Committee has already been able to get together an unusually fine lot of papers. An enjoyable time is assured, and much profit to all. We urge a large attendance at this meeting. It is due the Association on account of its last year's meeting being incorporated with the meeting of the Canadian Medical Association in Toronto. Dr. H. R. Casgrain, Windsor, will deliver his presidential address at 2 p.m. the first day. Dr. F. A. Clarkson, College and Markham Sts., Toronto, is the General Secretary. He will be glad to furnish any information of the meeting required.