

had given his decision, I was enabled to make a few remarks as referee.

The study of the cases in this way appeared to be more thorough and real than when the cases were simply demonstrated, and the students appeared to digest and apply their information very well.

A set of syllabus forms for medicolegal investigation, some of which were adapted from those of Professor Lacassagne, proved an invaluable practical guide in studying and reporting cases.

The course was followed by 20 students, of whom 12 obtained certificates.

2. *Hygiene*.—The class in this subject was a post-graduate one and the standard adopted that of the English *Diploma in Public Health*. This calls for six months of practical outdoor sanitary work and six months of bacteriological and chemical laboratory work.¹ What I wish to say concerns chiefly the plan of instruction in outdoor sanitary work, which is as follows :

A practical course in sanitation was given in connection with the Montreal Health Department jointly with Dr. L. Laberge, medical officer of health for Montreal, without whose kind cooperation the work would have been impossible.

Each member of the class was given a syllabus or prepared one for himself, detailing the points to be observed in making some special sanitary inspection, for instance, of a dairy, a vaccine institute, a water-supply, a factory, etc. Each one had thus personally to study the objects most important from a sanitary standpoint, doing also any necessary laboratory work and preparing (1) a full report; (2) a summary of the objectionable features found, and (3) recommendations for improvement. The reports made during the week were discussed at the weekly conferences of the class and criticised by the members. In their spare time, the members also accompanied the inspectors and officials in the discharge of their routine duties, though this was less insisted upon. The candidates were given opportunities of clinical study at the civic infectious hospital, though this part of the work was not organized.

¹ This standard was adopted officially by McGill University and a diploma provided for, this being arranged by Dr. F. R. Ruttan, Registrar of the McGill Medical Faculty, to whose prompt action in the matter the successful issue of the course is largely due.