

of Quebec until 1894, when he was made general superintendent of quarantine services. In 1899 he was made Director-General of Public Health with headquarters at Ottawa and installed as sanitary adviser to the Dominion Government. Under his management and control the service has grown and developed from a few crude sheds to four thoroughly equipped sanitary stations with laboratory workers and complete sterilizing outfits for human beings and their clothing, and for the disinfection of all ships, each station fitted for its work and officered competently, including skilled trained nurses. This work, together with supervision of the international boundary from Manitoba westward is being thoroughly inspected annually.

Together with this activity is the charge of the Lazarettos in New Brunswick and in British Columbia, all combining to constitute the entire work as one of absorbing importance.

As he so often has said to me "the more efficient such work is the less the public knows of it."

I have singled out this case owing to the position our friend has attained and because I know of many of the facts, but I realize that there are countless other men doing splendid work in like channels in cities and towns unheard of by their fellow workers in hospitals and at the bedside.

Then, in military life and all that goes to make efficiency in the field. A vista no doubt on some occasion spread itself before our friend, Surgeon-General Carleton Jones, many a year ago, and he took up that department with faithful patience and assiduity and he finally gained the top rung of the ladder. And so it goes on, and your minds will conjure up many an avenue of usefulness in public life open to the same energy and application as is called forth in the famous surgeon or internist.

Being active in the meetings of the Canada Medical Association all my life it was natural that I voiced what I believed was the opinion of the profession on the subject of the creation of a Department of Public Health under the Dominion Government.

Most of you know as well as I do the steps that were taken and the pressure used through the Canada Medical Association, but the truth is we did not speak loud enough. We could not have been united enough. Our strength waned at the wrong time. We did not drive home our arguments with the only ammunition that will move governments, viz., votes, and so up to date we have failed. The proposition was made clear enough. We asked only