

sky, an operation or radium treatment has been available, to determine their ultimate effect and also to compare the findings of such an investigation with the pathological report made at the time of the operation. Let me give an illustration. A patient is operated on for cancer of the lip. A cancer is removed by surgical operation and the patient discharged. No further record of the case has been kept, and it is often true that if follow-up methods were employed and the patient returned from time to time for examination any recurrence of the disease would be detected earlier and the patient's life probably saved. Or, take the case of a lump appearing in the breast of a woman. The pathologist might advise that the safest thing to do was to remove the whole breast. It is Dr. Archibald's opinion that such advice is not always wise, and that he and the other surgeons would be in a much better position to cope with this branch of the disease if they had at their disposal the records of all cases of this nature that have been dealt with.

I may say that my investigation shows that great stress is now being laid upon the value of these Cancer Clinics.

The other side of the investigational work, of course, lies in the laboratory, but this involves the expenditure of a tremendous amount of money. I believe that the cause of cancer and its cure is more likely to be found if records of cancer cases are carefully noted and follow-up investigations proceeded with. This can best be done through a clinic. It would be of great advantage to know whether the conclusions of the pathologist at the time of the operation were justified, in the light of what happens afterwards. By this method of careful study it is most likely someone will get the idea which, properly followed up, may lead to a discovery of the cause of this dread disease. In this work the surgeon, the pathologist, the physicist and the bio-chemist will all have a share.

It is the advice of Doctors Archibald and Fraser - and in this I concur - that for the next year we apply to this work only the income on the capital, and that we divide this income equally between these two departments (the Department of Surgery and the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology) - part of it, as I say, to enable Dr. Archibald to establish his Out-Door Clinic, and the other to enable Dr. Fraser to enlarge the scope and usefulness of the Clinic already established in the Maternity Department.

I cannot tell you how much these men and the other members of the Medical Faculty are encouraged and stimulated by this help you have offered. They believe, and I believe, that this encouragement will influence others