

Review of Happenings in the Medical World.

Cassandra Stops at Sea.

A major operation which necessitated the stopping of the liner for an hour off the Newfoundland banks was performed on board the Anchor-Donaldson Liner *Cassandra*. The patient was a young woman in the steerage coming to Canada as a domestic servant under the auspices of the Salvation Army.

The passenger developed a sudden case of appendicitis on Friday and was in a serious condition when the operation was decided upon. Dr. Stenhouse, the well-known Toronto surgeon, who was travelling as a passenger, performed it.

Major Fred J. Munn, Dies in 40th Year.

Major Frederic J. Munn, one of the best known of the younger medical men of Toronto, died at the Wellesley Hospital, where he was taken suffering from typhoid fever.

Major Munn, was in his 40th year, and since the outbreak of the war did fine work for soldiers, giving a lot of time to the care of the returned men. For a long time he served with Col. Marlow, and became widely known.

He was also well known in connection with work in the schools for the Department of Health.

He held University of Toronto degrees of B. A. and M. B.

Fraternally he was a member of University Masonic Lodge.

Carry "X-Ray" in Hand

A Western University biologist, Frederick W. Classens, claims to have invented and perfected an X-ray machine which is efficient enough for general medical purposes but which is small enough to be carried about in the hand and can be manufactured for \$100 each

Says Concealed Cases Cause of Epidemics

Ottawa, —Delivering an address on "Disinfection" at the session of the annual convention of the Canadian Sanitary Association in the Council chamber of the City Hall, Dr. T. A. Lomer, Medical Health Officer of Ottawa, said the time had arrived for the adoption of new methods for disinfecting houses after disease. "We have given up trying to disinfect a city by making a smoke in the street," he said, "and it is time we gave up trying to disinfect a house by making a smoke with sulphur in a room. It is time that we gave up deluding ourselves that a smell of formalin or an odor of carbolic means disinfection. More and more our disinfectors are becoming detectives on the lookout for concealed cases," he said. "mild cases which have never been seen by a physician, cases not even suspected by the family. These are the spreaders of contagion, the origin of epidemics; not the house or the clothing of the diseased person."