

There is no intention to criticize anyone in these remarks, but the desire to impress on those in authority the vital importance of a subject fraught with such possibilities for evil to Canada. A cursory glance by those familiar with mental disease at the immigrants received at Toronto Hospital during the past two years makes plain the fact that numbers of defectives and diseased persons who should have been easily detected, have slipped through the doors of entry. I do not suppose any system of inspection will succeed in detecting anything like all of the defectives, but no expense should be spared to make the system as thorough as possible, money spent in this way will be well invested.

#### SCIENTIFIC WORK.

A great deal of attention has been given to the scientific part of the work, and as the equipment of the Hospital is improved even better results are looked for. The enthusiasm shown by all of the assistants has been very gratifying, and the conferences held three times a week, have demonstrated the fact that the emancipation of assistants from all clerical work has had a most stimulating effect. During the summer Dr. M. Cameron, of Toronto University, kindly gave us the benefit of his experience in laboratory work, and with Dr. Fitzgerald began a series of exhaustive investigations into blood conditions in Dementia Praecox. These studies have been full of interest and when correlated with carefully gathered clinical notes will be of great value.

Pathological and bacteriological work is being carried on systematically, and everything possible done to advance our knowledge of psychiatry.

#### RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

As has been the case in past years the clergy of all denominations have been most active in ministering to the spiritual needs of our patients.

The services have been greatly improved by the orchestral music supplied by some fifteen musicians from the City, who at great personal inconvenience come here every Sunday. We feel under obligation to them.

#### ENTERTAINMENTS.

The entertainments furnished by City friends have been numerous and often of high class. The patients have looked forward to these and have thoroughly enjoyed them.

#### STAFF, ETC.

Again I have to thank the whole staff for the hearty efforts made by them to carry on the work of the Hospital in the best manner possible. It was indeed gratifying to come home from an extended trip in Europe, to find that the affairs of the Hospital had been carried on with as much attention to detail as if I had been here.

My thanks are also due to the Inspectors for their prompt and efficient help whenever required.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

C. K. CLARKE,  
*Medical Superintendent.*