

## HOW TO DEAL WITH THE CONSUMPTIVE POOR.\*

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I BEG to submit the following as among the more important means of dealing with the consumptive poor, including the providing of the necessary funds therefor:

1. The establishment and maintenance of a rural sanatorium in connection with each municipality or group of municipalities for the reception of such cases as admit of a reasonable hope of cure or improvement.

2. The erection and maintenance in connection with the above sanatorium of a suitable isolated building for the reception and treatment of such advanced cases of the disease as are unsuitable for sanatoria treatment, and until such provision is adequate to utilize so far as practicable the various existing hospitals for that purpose, and would urge upon the authorities of such institutions the absolute necessity of adopting such means of isolation as may be approved of by the Provincial and Local Boards of Health.

3. The co-operation of the Dominion Parliament, Local Legislatures, municipalities, philanthropic and charitable organizations and individuals in providing the necessary funds therefor.

4. And further, that the following plan of co-operation is worthy of careful consideration:

- (a) The adoption of regulations by the Dominion Parliament and Local Legislatures for supplementing grants approved of by by-law submitted to the qualified ratepayers for the purchase of land and erection of buildings.

- (b) A per diem allowance by the Dominion Parliament, Provincial Legislature, and Municipal Council, supplemented by philanthropy and charity by subscriptions, donations, bequests, legacies, etc., for the maintenance thereof, and that such rural sanatoria should be under the control and management of a large committee of citizens, acting in conjunction with the Local Board of Health.

The subject of tuberculosis at the present time is undoubtedly one of the most important questions that can engage the attention of any government, legislature, municipal council, association or individual; and to whom are the eyes of the world turning to-day for light and guidance, but to the medical practitioners, who in

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