

A NATIONAL LABORATORY.

A national laboratory is to be established in Ottawa, under the auspices of the Health Committee of the Conservation Commission. The proposal, which was made by the commission, has been approved by a sub-committee of the Cabinet Council, and it is expected that it will be given effect to very shortly.

The plan was evolved by the Health Committee, the idea being the creation of a permanent national council of health under the Conservation Commission acting in an advisory capacity to federal and provincial governments on questions affecting public health and hygiene.

A national laboratory was part of the plan, and it is proposed that it shall manufacture toxins, anti-toxins, sera, etc., while conducting analyses. These products, it is believed, will be purer than the common run and cost less.

THE APOLLINARIS WATER.

This is one of the finest natural waters in the world. Professor Kionka, who has made a careful examination of it, speaks thus: "Therefore, the Apollinaris spring, as a table water, and also in therapeutic respect as a healing water, is one of the valuable mineral springs in Germany." The methods of collecting and bottling the water are the best that can be devised.

THE DOMINION SCHOOL OF NURSING, 263 COLLEGE STREET, TORONTO.

It has long been felt that some arrangement should be made whereby well-trained nurses at moderate charges could be furnished for families who could not afford the fees usually charged by the regular professional nurses. It has also been felt that the visiting nurse is far from satisfactory in many ways, the patient requiring the constant attendance of a nurse.

The school of nurses which Mrs. Rachel Smythe has founded meets these two conditions perfectly. She gives a thorough training and supplies well-qualified nurses at fees ranging from \$7 to \$15 per week. This plan fulfills the three conditions of efficiency, moderate charges, and continuous attendance on the patient. Mrs. Smythe admits only those to her school that are likely to make good nurses and that are of the best character.

Mrs. Smythe is a thoroughly trained nurse, receiving her own training in the famous school in connection with St. Thomas' Hospital, London, England. In her school she uses the most approved text-books. She is also an authoress on nursing and massage subjects.