

the sick and wounded in buildings that were exposed to shell fire, making heroic efforts to have their patients removed to points of safety. For such acts a number have already won national recognition, and have been honored with various titles.

While war brings out some of these high and noble qualities, it has also revealed some of the basest that can be found in human nature. There are many well-authenticated instances where Red Cross nurses have been fired upon, mutilated and imprisoned because they aided the wounded of the opposing army.

THE ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL.

The elections for the Council will be held at an early date. It is to be hoped that the medical practitioners in the various districts will impress upon the candidates the necessity of taking up the question of reciprocity with Great Britain, and having the matter disposed of in a satisfactory manner. There should be reciprocity between Ontario and Great Britain. This has been well brought out during the present war. Many worthy Ontario physicians and surgeons found themselves seriously handicapped.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF SCHOOLS.

According to recent Ontario legislation and the regulations issued from the Department of Education, public and separate school boards may now institute medical inspection of the children in attendance upon these schools.

The regulations declare that where provision has been made for free medical treatment of pupils whose parents or guardians are unable to pay therefor, the boards may combine with local organizations approved for the purpose. This work is to be entrusted to a School Medical Inspection Committee, who shall appoint qualified medical inspectors. Where it is not practicable to secure a competent person with the approval of the Minister of Education and Provincial Secretary, the local Medical Officer of Health shall perform the duties of medical inspector, or failing that one or two graduate nurses of not less than two years' experience. In addition to the medical inspector, school nurses are also to be appointed. The cost of this work is to be borne by the board as part of the school maintenance.