

pected, and which may call for vigorous action.

The district officers will never be out of touch with headquarters. They are given fairly wide authority, but will be required to report to the Provincial Board daily.

Although the officers for each district have been appointed to work in home territory, with which they are familiar, the final arrangement of central points from which they are to operate makes it necessary for several of them to move. Dr. D. B. Bentley, of Sarnia, will have his headquarters in London. The northern district will be taken care of from Harriston, where Dr. T. J. McNally, of Owen Sound, will move. Dr. George Clinton, of Belleville, will look after the central counties from Peterborough, while the eastern end of the province will have its health centre at Kingston, where Dr. P. J. Maloney, of Cornwall, will have charge. Dr. McClenahan, of Hamilton, will stay where he is, nor will the officers placed in charge of the two Northern Ontario districts—Dr. C. E. George, of North Bay, and Dr. R. E. Wodehouse, of Fort William—have to change their place of residence.

Notice appears in the Canada Gazette of the fixing of standards of quality in a number of products. This step is taken under the Adulteration Act, and among the products defined as to quality are honey, fruits, dried fruit, evaporated fruit, evaporated apples, canned fruit, preserving jam, marmalade, fruit butter, fruit jelly, canned peas and flavoring extracts. In cases where jam and marmalade, etc., contain fruit or fruit juice other than that which gives its special name to the article, the fact is to be stated on the label in letters as large and distinct as those used in naming the fruit principally present. The presence of glucose instead of sugar is to be noted. Canned peas are to be prepared of peas from the harvest of the year in which they are prepared, and are to be prepared as a rule from unripe peas. If ripe peas are used the fact must be plainly stated.

A slight improvement in the general health of the Province of Ontario for October compared with a year previous is shown in the monthly reports of local

boards. Despite the fact that communicable diseases, particularly tuberculosis, are being more thoroughly reported the number of cases for October is fifty-one less than in October, 1911. The most decided improvement was in the reduction of diphtheria cases. The summary of the reports shows:

	1912.		1911.	
	Cases.	Dths.	Cases.	Dths.
Smallpox. . . . .	5	0	20	0
Scarlet fever . . . .	144	1	155	8
Diphtheria. . . . .	200	22	315	26
Measles. . . . .	126	1	65	2
Whoop. cough . . . .	34	4	35	8
Typhoid. . . . .	173	36	182	26
Tuberculosis. . . . .	101	67	68	49
Infantile paralysis	13	1	0	0
Spinal meningitis. .	2	2	9	9
Totals. . . . .	798	134	849	128

The Toronto Housing Company has purchased the Wilson farm of 200 acres, situated two miles north of Danforth Avenue and four miles east of Yonge Street, at a figure slightly under \$100,000. It is to be developed into a model garden suburb, and the idea is, if practicable, to give each tenant a quarter of an acre to be used as a market garden. The soil is well suited for this. This means that on the 200 acres 800 families may be housed in sanitary and comfortable homes, and have their own little garden plots to grow their vegetables by intensive farming. The new site is crossed by the C. N. R., and the company is negotiating for a station both on the upper and lower levels of the railway, and a commuters' service to and from the city. If this be secured, it would mean a thirty-minute trip from the model suburb to the centre of the city. It is also hoped by the promoters that the new civic car line on Danforth Road will be extended to the north to give them accommodation.

Toronto has been selected as the next meeting place of the Canadian Highways' Association, at a date to be fixed later. Regarding the financing of the organization it was proposed that districts and cities should contribute from \$10 to \$200, according to population, and a graded scale of distributions from public bodies was outlined.