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COMMENT FROM MONTH TO MONTH

Typhoid Inoculation was carried out with marked success in the first Canadian Expeditionary Force while in camp at Valcartier.

The serum employed was prepared in the laboratory of the Ontario Board of Health, was donated by the province, and was so made up that one cubic centimeter equalled five hundred million bacteria. A second dose of a million bacteria was administered in ten days.

To do this required about forty-five thousand injections, and it speaks volumes for inoculation and the technique employed that no cases of severe constitutional reactions were reported and no infected arms, although during wet and cold weather the reactions were more pronounced than in dry and warm weather.

The technic was simple. First, an application of tincture of iodine was made, and then the injection.

Skilled men were employed in this work: Dr. Chas. A. Hodgetts, Medical Adviser to the Canadian Conservation Commission;