

An appeal was made to the Hon. Stratton, the Provincial Secretary, who very kindly made the committee a grant of \$80 to cover some of the expenses of the investigation.

It is to be hoped that the committee will be able to arrive at some knowledge of the causes of the failure of so much of the vaccine on the market, and thus be enabled to direct attention toward the securing of remedies to overcome the defects.

The Ontario Association are not alone in pointing out the importance of this subject. We note that at the September meeting of the American Public Health Association in Buffalo, a strong committee headed by our own energetic Secretary of the Provincial Board of Health has been appointed. Then, too, the best American Medical Journals are asking the American Medical Association to take up the matter and to memorialize Congress on the subject. To an onlooker it seems as if the entire matter of testing vaccines, and perhaps also anti-toxines and toxines will yet drift under Government control, with the formation of what is very desirable, a Public Health Department.

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### BOOK REVIEWS.

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An American Text-Book of Pathology, edited by Drs. Ludvig Hektoen and David Riesman, 1245 pages, 443 illustrations, of which 66 are in colors. Cloth, \$7.50. Sheep or half Morocco, \$8.50. W. B. Saunders & Co., Philadelphia. J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto, Canadian Agents.

This work is on the same lines as the others of the excellent series of text-books issued by Saunders & Co. Each department of the subject is treated in a very clear and comprehensive manner by specialists. For pathology and pathological anatomy are now growing so limitless that the