

lars. By inducing the Government to take care of women of this class it will be a great saving to the community. We have in this province about 3,500 idiots, this number is rather below than above the mark, about one-half of whom are females, or say 1,750. Two-thirds of this number would be between the age of fifteen and forty-five—the child-bearing age—which would make in round numbers 1,200, the one-half of whom would be low grade, paralytic, etc.,—from whom no danger need be apprehended. The other 600, however, remain a menace to society and if not cared for will go on reproducing their kind and thereby swelling the ranks of pauperism and crime. If that was allowed to go on, pauperism and crime would be increased. The Government should be induced to take this matter up. Dr. Beaton after referring to several American institutions where weak minded women were kept, closed his address by speaking of the system of training in vogue at his own institution at Orillia.

The third resolution was put to the meeting by the Chairman and unanimously adopted.

RESOLVED, That the following gentlemen, in association with the Board of Managers of the Prisoners' Aid Association of Canada, be appointed an Advisory Committee by this meeting, to take such steps as they deem proper with a view of giving practical effect to the foregoing resolutions, viz.:

Hon. S. C. Biggs, O. A. Howland, Esq., Dr. Wm. Oldright, Dr. W. W. Ogden, J. S. Willison, Esq., J. K. Macdonald, Esq., Rev. Dr. Parsons, Rev. Dr. Potts, Rev. Dr. Thomas, Rev. Dr. Blackstock, Rev. Wm. Frizzell, and J. W. Langmuir, Esq., with power to add to their number.

Mr. Hoyles, Q.C., briefly moved the adoption of the resolution. He said he was deeply impressed with the remarks of Dr. Gilmour, and he was sorry that the Warden had not spoken longer.

Dr. Chamberlain said he wished to correct some of the misrepresentations or rather over-zealous ideas that had been made, and secondly explain some things that the Association did not seem to understand fully. He was in entire sympathy with the object of the Association, but if he were asked if he approved of the course pursued entirely by the Association, from his knowledge of prison work in Canada and in other countries, he would say he did not. He wishes to state that these questions brought by before them