

RED CROSS' NEW WORK.

The Canadian Red Cross Society will inaugurate its crusade for good health by public meeting in Toronto on March 3, at which His Excellency the Governor-General will deliver an address upon the reasons and objects of this work.

In becoming a member of the League of Nations Canada subscribed to Article XXV, the Covenant, which reads as follows:

"The members of the League agree to encourage and promote the establishment and co-operation of duly authorized voluntary National Red Cross organizations, having as purposes the improvement of health, the prevention of disease and the mitigation of suffering throughout the world."

For this reason the Red Cross did not suspend its work after the war as it did after the South African war, but secured from Parliament in 1919 an amendment to its charter to enable it to carry out its new and additional duties. One revelation of the war was the shockingly poor condition of the men of the British Empire. In Canada medical examinations found 181,229 out of 1,605 draftees under the Military Service Act, or about one-half of them, to be physically unfit for full service in the field. The disabilities were not the result of active disease, but evidently in most cases the consequence of poor nutrition, neglect of personal hygiene and insanitary conditions of working and living.

The Red Cross has undertaken as part of its duty to stimulate and maintain the interest of the public in health reform, to educate the public, and thereby create public opinion in favor of supporting even better public health service. It does not desire to undertake or to compete with work already being carried on by official authorities or to assume work which is being done by other existing voluntary organizations. Its function is to strengthen and assist them financially and otherwise in the new work to which it has been called by the League of Nations.

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dealing with its own questions of health and sanitation. Each Provincial Division of the Red Cross is practically autonomous and, within the limits of the policy of the Society, may arrange the form or forms of its co-operation with the Provincial Government as seems to it necessary or expedient.

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