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EDITORIAL

THE CANCER CURE

THE CANADA LANCET expresses the sincere hope that the serum discovered by Dr. Glover shall prove to be a genuine cure for cancer. We have no intention, at this moment, of going into the theories as to the origin of the disease. If a microbe is the cause, the serum may destroy it; or, if some abnormally growing cell, then this may be arrested in its method of proliferation.

The point we wish emphasized is that no time should be lost in making the methods of preparing the serum known. All the world over there are cancer victims, all of whom are entitled to the benefit of such a discovery. Steps should be taken to produce the serum in such quantity as would be able to meet the demand. The method of preparation should not remain a secret, nor should it be held in the interest of any person or institution.

If the discovery should prove to be a genuine cure, we hold that Dr. Glover should be well rewarded. The country should recognize its obligation for such a boon to suffering humanity. This reward should be generous; and, this done, the remedy should be made public with the least delay consistent with safety and sound observation of cases.

FAITH HEALING

A short time ago the public ear was to the ground listening to the many statements about the cures that were being wrought by Mr. James Moore Hickson. He visited Toronto, and many grievously afflicted persons sought relief at his hands. For two days he met such persons in St. James Cathedral, Toronto.

Time enough has now gone by to enable conclusions to be drawn from the results of his visit. In the interest of truth there should be no delay in the making of a thorough investigation into these cases. For this