

I am sure, gentlemen, that we have all watched with keenest interest the movements of the armies of our Empire, which in South Africa have been making history. We have felt an honest pride in the bravery and fighting skill of the thousands who have gone from Canada to aid the Mother Land. Only a few days ago we were thrilled with the story of how Canadian surgeons at Hart's River for a whole day long and under a withering fire of shot and shell went on with the work of caring for the wounded. While we unite in profoundest thankfulness to Almighty God that the end of this bitter struggle has come, we exult in the part taken by our own country in a conquering peace. We have fought a good fight! we have kept the faith! What has been gained?—

“ Do you not see your Greater Britain's soul
Has come to birth?
Do you not hear above the sighs, the song
From all those outland hearts which peace kept dumb?—
‘ There is no fight too fierce, no trail too long,
When love cries ‘ Come ! ’ ”

TUBERCULOSIS AND THE HOME.

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It is in the home that the great majority become infected with tuberculosis and it is in the home that they have to be cared for; therefore, the relation of the home to tuberculosis becomes the most important of all the practical aspects of the question of the prevention and cure of tuberculosis. Careful examination shows that the death rate from this disease is steadily decreasing, so that the risk of dying from it is probably not more than half as great as it was in the time of our grandparents. This improvement is due chiefly to the better sanitary state of the home and its surroundings; but partly also, without doubt, to the improved conditions of living, especially in regard to food. In the prevention and treatment of all diseases it is as essential to have an intelligent public as an educated profession. This is true, for example, of diphtheria, smallpox, scarlet fever, and typhoid fever, for without an intelligent observance of the requirements discovered by the science of medicine as necessary to prevent and treat these diseases, physicians can do little towards gaining the object aimed at. This is well illustrated