

doing and not merely spending money in obtaining opinions. We will commence with Dr. Sheard's testimony and will be glad to get that of others. He says :

"There are many conditions within the municipality which require consideration, and which demand an improvement of the general sanitary state. Prominent among these is the adoption of some process for the ultimate disposal of the sewage of the city. Numerous complaints have been made to the Health Department regarding various localities along the water front, and I have during the past year furnished to the Local Board of Health a special report dealing with the entire question, and urging upon the Council the wisdom of deciding upon some definite plan for dealing with the city sewage."

On the necessity, from a financial standpoint, of doing *now* what has to be done, he says :

"It is a matter which cannot be very long delayed. With the improvements shortly to be made in the city's harbor it becomes imperative that some definite plan should be agreed upon. The main obstacle to the carrying out of the work appears to be the expense of it. In a few years the water front will probably be rearranged in accordance with the extension and enlargement of the wharves to the Windmill line. Some of the sewers will be carried southward, and the ground prepared by filling, piling, etc., and great loss will be incurred to the municipality unless it is settled what method is to be adopted to ultimately deal with the sewage of the city of Toronto, and to proceed with the subsequent work relating to the improvement of the water front with due regard thereto."

When we give the history of municipal action in the past it will be seen that our city fathers have not been so negligent of the question as we might think, and that our city officials have long been battling for the right. Tall city towers and ambitious commercial schemes have, however, drained away the sinews of war. Let us now convince the people that the sewage question is next—a very patient but important "next."

---

CONDITION OF SUMMER RESORTS.—We are very glad, indeed, to find that the general public are commencing to attach some importance to the sanitary condition of the summer resorts