

While there is no disease so loathsome in its character as small pox—thanks to the researches of the noble men of former days in our profession—there is no disease in the whole category of ‘the ills that flesh is heir to’ that can be so effectually kept within bounds.

In doing what I did, I have to say that I did what I conceived to be my duty and only my duty—and that when I did it I had no hope or expectation of reward.

Your recognition of the performance of this duty, and the friendly and generous manner in which you have rewarded my efforts shall ever be most gratefully remembered by me.

I have received so many acts of kindness from the people of Sherbrooke that I can hardly find words to express my gratitude to the Providence that guided me here to cast my lot amongst you, and to become a Sherbrooke man.

Over and above any reward for medical services, public or private, are kind expressions of approval, and when they come, as they do to-night, they make an impression that time will never remove.

I thank you for your good wishes to my wife, and trust that we may always have your friendship and approval.

I am, thankfully, Yours,

E. D. WORTHINGTON.

After the close of ‘business’ the company were invited to partake of an excellent supper, to which they did full justice.