

The Board is arranging to establish special treatment clinics in the larger cities throughout the Province for the free treatment of Venereal Diseases. These clinics are being very generously dealt with and it is hoped that the treatment they will be able to give those infected and in need of free treatment will be of help in preventing the spread of these diseases.

The following proposition is being presented to the municipalities where, in the opinion of the Board, a clinic is advisable. A schedule of apparatus and furnishing suitable for the adequate treatment of these diseases has been drawn up and will be part of the standard equipment required before Government aid will be given the clinic.

The Board feels that the choice of a site for the special clinic or clinics in the various municipalities should be left to a certain extent in the hands of the local authorities who understand local conditions. The Board would suggest, however, that where facilities already exist as in the case of hospitals, etc., other things being equal, these facilities should be used. The Board will afford the following assistance to each clinic established:

1.—For the purchase of furnishings and apparatus for a special clinic—\$1,000. (It is thought that the cost of the apparatus and furnishings will not exceed this amount). Where a clinic is already in existence and up to the standard the same financial assistance will be given.

2.—To assist in the payment of a social service nurse, \$500.00 yearly.

3.—For each out patient treatment for gonorrhoea, 50c; for each out patient treatment for syphilis, 50c. (No more than one treatment each day will be paid for). For each out patient treatment for syphilis in addition, free 'salvarsan' will be provided—as soon as the Board is in a position to furnish its own product.

4.—In the case of patients treated in the hospitals the sum of 25c in addition to the foregoing grants will be paid to the hospital for each day of indoor treatment up to three months, at the end of which time the indoor grant will cease.

5.—Standard record forms for the use of these special clinics will be supplied by the Board.

*In return for this assistance the Board will require that the clinic will be kept up to a certain standard as follows:*

1.—The special clinic shall be for the treatment of venereal diseases.

2.—The apparatus and furnishings for the clinic shall be as follows: (see Schedule (a)).

3.—The personnel of the clinic shall be:

(a) One specialist in venereal diseases who shall be appointed by the hospital if the clinic is in connection with a hospital and by the local Board of Health in other cases. This officer must also be satisfactory to the Provincial Board.