

The French Scientists in Canada.

Prof. Leon Bernard, of Paris, who, with other distinguished physicians, accompanied Prof. Landouzy to Washington, to attend the meeting of the Tuberculosis Congress last fall, has published a most interesting brochure, giving his impressions of the trip and the Congress, from the French point of view. He expresses himself in a complimentary manner regarding the flying visit to Canada as follows: Before touching the soil of the United States, we made a pilgrimage in Canada, and although this tour was out of our direct course to the Washington Congress, we would reproach ourselves if we had passed it by in silence, and it would mark us as being ungrateful had we done so. It would be idle to repeat once more how our race, our people of the different French provinces, with their local accents, are found on the splendid banks of the St Lawrence, but we doctors must proclaim that on British ground we met at Montreal, as well as Quebec, fraternal colleagues educated in French medicines who have founded—thanks to the initiative and tenacity of Dr. Brochu—an association of physicians who speak the French language in North America. That in Toronto, associated with all the grace of English hospitality, we were shown a university admirably arranged and equipped, which cannot help being influenced by its courteous rivalry with the French universities of the two neighboring cities. Everywhere we were received with the same assiduous attention, the same overflowing sympathy, which went beyond us personally, to the nation we represented. This was the purest joy of the trip, to have sometimes felt floating around us the spirit of France.

Dr. Charles D. Parfitt, who recently severed his connection with the National Sanitarium Association, has entered on private practice in Gravenhurst, and has made arrangements by which his patients will reside at the Minnewaska, under the charge of Mrs. Fournier, who has been for the last ten years Superintendent of Hope Hospital, Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Principal of the Training School for Nurses in the same hospital. Mrs. Fournier is a graduate of Harper Hospital, Detroit, but is a Canadian by birth. Her home is in St. Thomas. Dr. Parfitt is to be congratulated on this excellent arrangement, and the profession will be glad to know of it.