

there are only about forty in the Province, so it is out of all reason that their representation should be so great. An enlargement of the electoral districts will meet with the approval of the profession as an economical reform.

The Ottawa Typhoid Fever Epidemic, occurring from January 1st to March 19th has been thoroughly investigated, and the result is an extensive report on the subject.

Dr. Chas. A. Hodgetts, medical adviser to the public health branch of the Canadian Conservation Committee, was at the head of the committee which investigated the outbreak, and with him was associated Dr. R. W. Bell, of the Ontario Board of Health, Colonel Carleton Jones and Major Lorne Drum.

The immediate cause of the epidemic was the infection of the water supply—infected milk, food, supplies of all kinds, including ice, unsanitary conditions and sewage from sewerage system and sewer gas being excluded.

The report states: The outbreak would have been obviated had the hypochlorite treatment been installed forthwith after its recommendation by Mr. Hazen, on October 5th, 1910.

There was nothing abnormal in the last month of 1910, there having only been reported to the Medical Health Officer five cases, but the inquiry elicited the fact that there were five other unreported cases.

Up to the middle of March, there had occurred in 1911, 901 cases, of whom 422 were males and 479 females—the ages ranging from 3 to 75 years.

Fifty-two cases died before March 18th, a death rate of 5.7 per 100. Others died after that date so that the mortality was even higher.

The report is well illustrated with numerous charts and maps.

The horrible conditions depicted are a sad commentary upon the modern sanitary requirements in the slums of a great city.

The Canadian Medical Protective Association held its annual meeting in Montreal, June 8th, 1911. In the absence of the President, Dr. R. W. Powell, Ottawa, Dr. John Stewart, Halifax, presided. All the old officers and the executive were re-elected.

The report of the President was a very brief one. It referred to the fact that there was only one case before the courts during the past year. This was the first case lost by the Association since