

One hundred years ago or a little more one anti-vaccinationist asserted "smallpox as a visitation from God, but the cowpox is produced by presumptuous man; the former was what Heaven ordained, the latter is perhaps a daring violation of our Holy Religion." Of the two v's in that quotation, all I have to say is, neglect the violation, and you will sooner or later get the visitation.

Vallery-Radot says, "One day Pasteur, having wished to collect a little saliva from the jaws of a rabid dog, so as to obtain it directly, two of Bourrel's assistants undertook to drag a mad bull-dog, foaming at the mouth, from its cage. They seized it by means of a lasso and stretched it on a table. These two men, thus associated with Pasteur in the same danger with the same calm heroism, held the struggling ferocious animal down with their powerful hands, whilst the scientist drew, by means of a glass tube held between his lips, a few drops of the deadly saliva."

This was heroism to be sure, but what of Jenner who inoculated his own child of 16 months with swinepox? What of the heroism of Pasteur's second patient, a boy of 14 who was bitten while protecting his comrades? "Armed only with a whip he confronted the infuriated animal, who flew at him and seized his left hand. After a tremendous struggle, during which his hand was badly bitten, the boy succeeded in overpowering the dog, bound its jaws together with the whip, battered in its head with his wooden sabot, and finally dragged it to a stream and held its head under water till it was undoubtedly dead." This boy recovered as did the first. Our profession has given men who in these two diseases have accomplished untold good for the public, but the Jenners and Pasteurs of to-day are working just as faithfully for mankind as even they did.

In tuberculosis the laity are now the faithful allies of the profession, and while much has been accomplished in this disease, it remains for the powers that be to make more universal use of the educational campaign which has been going on now for some years and supplement the efforts of the profession and public. They are doing this as rapidly as seems to them wise. It is expected that the municipalities will take an active hand in this.

I would enlist for our profession the unbounded confidence and sympathy of the laity in our efforts to secure for all pure air, pure food and pure water. During the immediate past we have been making rapid advance in that respect. The Local Legislature is co-operating with our profession with commendable zeal in reference to the milk supply of the Province. As a result of Mr. W. K. McNaught's most excellent resolution passed by the House, a Provincial Milk Commission has been appointed. This subject has occupied Mr. McNaught's attention for