

THERE were four deaths during the past year amongst the lepers at the Lazaretto, Tracadie, N.B., and three new admissions. There are now twenty lepers in the institution, thirteen males and seven females. Dr. Smith, the physician in charge, states that he has noted encouraging results from his trials this year of chaulmoogra oil and creolin.

Dr. J. H. ELLIOTT, formerly superintendent of the Gravenhurst Sanatorium, has returned to Canada after an absence in England and continental lands for two years. Amongst other places he visited the West Coast of Africa at the instance of the "Tropical School of Medicine," where he investigated the phenomena of malaria, in connection with two other physicians.

QUEEN'S Medical Faculty will found a new scholarship in medicine in commemoration of Dr. Fife Fowler, Dean of the Faculty, who has given forty-six years of service to the college. It will be known as the Dean Fowler scholarship. For the purpose \$10,000 is required, and the graduates of Queen's throughout the United States and Canada will be asked to contribute this sum, of which a goodly portion has already been made up by the Faculty. Amongst themselves also the Faculty will raise an additional \$10,000 for the purpose of enlarging and improving Queen's medical building.

THE quarterly meeting of the Ontario Board of Health was held in Toronto during the first week in February. Dr. E. H. Vaux, of Hamilton, the chairman, delivered his annual address. In it he referred to the smallpox outbreak during the past year throughout the United States and Canada, and spoke of the prompt action taken by the Ontario Board in stamping out this dread disease in twenty distinct districts where it had appeared in the Province of Ontario. Amongst other matters referred to was that of tuberculosis, which was still on the increase; and diphtheria, which had been very prevalent in Toronto, where 149 deaths had been recorded during the past year. In the entire province the total deaths from this cause had been 486. The Board of Health will co-operate with the railway companies in an endeavor to secure proper and efficient disinfection of Pullman coaches after having been occupied by consumptives.