

and efficient provision for the carrying out of such legislation; in the first place knowledge on the part of those in office, or their advisers, and in the second place a demand from the public, that they be given the protection which the Government owes them.

That the laws of the Dominion, Province and City do not make sufficient provision for the eradication or control of the disease, is not due to lack of knowledge on the part of those who have made this problem their special study, but to the ignorance and apathy of many of those in office. Such apathy is certain to persist so long as the public generally do not insist upon effective measures being adopted.

It is in order that every individual may better learn the fundamental rules which will render the healthy sufficiently strong to resist the disease, and that the sick and their helpers may gain such knowledge as will give the patient the greatest chance for a return to health and usefulness, and at the same time render him as little dangerous to those about him as possible, that the educational measures have been given such an important place in the consideration of the most valuable and lasting means of bringing about the control of the so-called White Plague. In such educational measures, the placing before the public of the actual statistics of the disease, the mortality directly caused by Tuberculosis, and of exhibits showing the conditions under which the disease is engendered and developed most rapidly, and contrariwise, the conditions under which prevention and cure can most effectually be carried out, must be given a prominent part. It is the hope of the committee, however, that the interest which may be aroused by this exhibit, inadequate as it certainly is, should be the nucleus from which will grow a more comprehensive idea of this, the greatest sanitary and economic problem of the new century.

It is the intention of the committee that the greater part of the present exhibit should be shown in various sections of Montreal, and throughout the Province within the next year. If, as a result of this movement, such interest on the part of the public be aroused, as may be instrumental in bringing about more hygienic home conditions, more efficient hospital service, together with such legislation as will simplify and render more complete the work of both official and voluntary anti-tuberculosis associations, those who have endeavoured to collect and organize the material here shown, will feel that their labor has been fully justified.