

fully solved, but we have not spent the time and the money for the solution of many of the medical problems connected with the work. This is what we should do, this is what we must do, if we are to take in psychiatry the same broad attitude toward disease that we have taken in such diseases as tuberculosis, scarlet fever, and smallpox. We have to deal with the mental health of the community just as we deal with the physical health, and it is just as essential, from a medical point of view, that we shall investigate the mind, how it works and how it is affected for well or ill, as it is that we shall investigate the water supply or the purity of milk, or the diseases of cattle. In both kinds of investigation we have to deal with matters vital to the State; in the one we deal with the conditions that produce bodily disease and death, and in the other we deal with conditions of mental health and death. In both cases the State is intensely concerned that a healthy condition of the community shall prevail; by the investigation of both the State will prevent an unnecessary loss of life and preserve for use many of its citizens. This matter must be seriously considered by the State, and the State must supply the funds for the prosecution of the work if its object is the greatest good for the greatest number.

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