

of the country is found by the settler either to be wet and marshy or else covered with thick scrub or woods. The swamps need draining and the bush needs clearing, and for poor people with no capital this is very slow process. Most of the settlers will take ten years or more before they can get their farms into shape to afford them a living without going out to work for others.

Now a word as to results. From the missionary standpoint, the first use of a hospital is to break down prejudice and affords a means of getting in touch with the people. This purpose our institution has abundantly fulfilled. I do not think there is anything better than a Mission Hospital for producing a kindly feeling among all classes in a new and mixed community.

The opportunities of the medical workers for evangelistic work are somewhat limited, because their time is pretty fully occupied by their professional duties and little provision has as yet been made for instructing them in the language of the foreign settlers. Prayers are held regularly in the hospital and a number of children in the Mission are receiving instructions. It is