

On the matter of infant mortality the report states that a little over 22 per cent. of all the deaths were of infants under one year of age. One out of every eight born died during the first year of life. The total number of infant deaths under one year to the total number of births, 52,629, gives a death-rate per 1,000 births of 132. This is certainly high for a province such as Ontario. The infant death-rate under five years to the total deaths is 27 per cent. In Quebec the rate was as high as 47 per cent. for infants under five years.

The deaths from typhoid fever were 669, and from tuberculosis 2,380. The total from these diseases was 3,049. This would give about 10,000 ill with typhoid fever, and about a similar number with tuberculosis. This would in the value of lives lost and in the value of time lost through sickness and other expenses give a loss of at least \$12,000,000 on these two diseases.

The deaths from cancer numbered 1,597. There is a tendency to increase in the number of deaths from this disease.

THE ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL.

There are some points in the annual announcement for this year to which we wish to call attention. We hope the members of the profession will give the transactions of the Medical Council close scrutiny.

On page 121 we find that the receipts for the year amounted to \$21,652.17. By turning to page 123 we find that the total disbursements were \$23,752.28. This shows that the expenditures for the year exceeded the income by \$2,100.11. Of this sum only \$700 went to a card system. All the rest was on current expenditures for the year. This is a most unhealthy condition of affairs, and demands retrenchment. In other words, the council began the year with \$16,168.27 in the bank and ended the year with only \$14,068.16.

The assets of the medical profession of Ontario are as follows, according to the announcement of 1910, page 134:

Cash invested	\$25,250 00
Invested in property	18,053 75
Cash on hand (1911)	14,068 16

Total	\$57,371 91
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By turning to page 236 of the announcement for 1907 we find that the cash balance on hand was \$64,841.44. It will be seen that the assets are now \$7,469.53 less than they were four years ago. The only offset to