

Montreal, Sept. 13th, 1907.

On motion by Dr. R. W. Powell, Ottawa, seconded by Mr. I. H. Cameron, Toronto, the Association reaffirmed its opinions in the various resolutions upon the minute book as to the creation of a Department of Public Health for the Dominion of Canada; also re-appointing the Halifax Committee and adding thereto those members of the Canadian Medical Association, who were members of Parliament.

*Special Committee on Public Health Department:*—Dr. E. P. Lachapelle, Montreal (convener); Dr. R. W. Powell, Ottawa; Dr. J. W. Daniel, M.P., St. John; Lieut.-Col. Carleton Jones, Ottawa; Dr. H. A. Bruce, Toronto; Dr. H. H. Chown, Winnipeg, Man.; Dr. J. B. Black, M.P., Windsor, N.S.; Dr. Wilbert McIntyre, M.P., Stratheona, Alta.; the Hon. M. Sullivan, M.D., Kingston; the Hon. J. H. Wilson, M.D., St. Thomas; the Hon. L. George DeVeber, M.D., Lethbridge, Alta.

Ottawa, March 3rd, 1908.

A deputation comprising members of the Special Committee on Public Health of the Canadian Medical Association was introduced to the Prime Minister and the Honorable the Minister of Agriculture by Dr. Black, M.P. Dr. Lachapelle, the Convener of the Committee, then presented the following memorandum:

MEMORANDUM ON THE DESIRABILITY OF ESTABLISHING A  
"NATIONAL BUREAU OF PUBLIC HEALTH," PRESENTED  
TO THE DOMINION GOVERNMENT ON BEHALF OF  
THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The progress of hygiene and preventive medicine, known under the name of "Public Health," has been so rapid and marked in the last decade that there is now an ever-increasing demand for governmental recognition of its importance. In England they are moving for a Minister of Public Health. In the United States, the Marine Hospital Service has been, by Act of Congress, enlarged into a Public Health Service. There are already Departments of Public Health in some of our sister colonies, and the medical profession of Canada, speaking through the Canadian Medical Association, has called upon the Government to create a Department or Bureau of Public Health under one of the existing Ministers. The importance of the subject will thus be recognized; and the reiterated demand comes from the representatives of the 6,000 medi-