

ease to any person, shall be guilty of a criminal offence. Provided that (a) a person shall not be convicted under this section if that person proves that he or she had reasonable grounds to believe that he or she was free from venereal disease in a communicable form at the time the alleged offence was committed, and (b) no person shall be convicted of any offence under this section upon the evidence of one witness unless such witness be corroborated in some material particular by evidence implicating the accused.

4. In view of the fact that the Government of Great Britain supports the treatment of venereal disease in the proportion of 75 per cent. to that of 25 per cent. paid by the local authorities, this conference respectfully urges upon the Government of Canada to provide financial assistance to the provinces on a scale similar to that in Great Britain, for the treatment of these affections.

5. That this conference suggests that all seamen coming within the jurview of the Immigration Act, be examined for freedom from venereal diseases before being allowed ashore at Canadian seaports.

6. Whereas the successful control of venereal diseases depends, among other factors, upon facilities for the free or readily available and adequate treatment of these diseases, and

Whereas the cost of one of the remedies for the cure of syphilis, viz., Salvarsan, and remedies of that character, is excessive, and

Whereas the production of this remedy in Canada is monopolized by two persons or firms, who have been licensed to carry on such production,

Therefore, be it resolved, that this conference do respectfully recommend that the Government of Canada shall give the right of production of Salvarsan or other remedies of this nature to any person or firm or corporation satisfying the head of the Health Department of any province, or, in the event of the establishment of a Federal Department of Health of the head of that Department, of his or their ability to successfully produce a satisfactory product of this kind.

7. That it is the feeling of this conference that a further meeting representative of social agencies should be called to discuss the constructive social measures which may be undertaken to combat the existence of venereal diseases in the Dominion.

8. That legislation be made to prevent the advertising, selling or giving of quack medicines to cure venereal disease.

While no formal resolution was passed, it was the strong feeling of the conference that legislation dealing with venereal disease, to be effective, should be supplemented by the further development of the machinery necessary to enforce it.