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*We have to thank many of our subscribers for a prompt remittance. There are still some to hear from.*

THE Nova Scotia Board of Health organized last July, has been doing valuable work.

The profession has a large representation on the Board, and an excellent selection has been made by the government. Dr. A. P. Reid, the secretary, is well qualified for the position he has been chosen to fill. The first report contains a summary of the work done during the first six months.

Several local epidemics of diphtheria and typhoid have been closely inquired into, and valuable suggestions made to local boards of health for future guidance. The water supply of several mining towns in Cape Breton have been examined with a view to improvement. A number of circulars have been printed and distributed throughout the province.

The circulars distributed supply information in a popular form relating to water supply and the prevention of cholera—contagious diseases and contagion—characteristics of the infectious diseases—on isolation of the infectious sick—diphtheria, its prevention and restriction—is diphtheria contagious—scarlet fever, its prevention and restriction—on the prevention of consumption.

The subject of miner's residences has been dealt with by a special report containing some excellent recommendations which should be enforced.

The Board has already furnished abundant evidence of its usefulness.

WE have heard the opinion very generally expressed that September is too late a date for a successful meeting of the Dominion Medical Association in the Maritime Provinces. A preference has been very generally expressed in favour of August, as not interfering with local gatherings, and as affording our western brother the best opportunity for visiting the various points of interest in the provinces by the sea.

THE USE OF RESORCIN IN THE TREATMENT OF RODENT ULCER.—I have for some time employed resorcin, in the form of ointment and powder, as a remedy for condylomata acuminata and verruca, with the most satisfactory results, cases that have defied other treatment yielding rapidly to its agency, and I have been induced to make a further trial of it in other skin diseases. In 1888, in one case of rodent ulcer of the nose in an old patient, I obtained a complete cure with resorcin (25 per cent.) I used externally an ointment composed of 15 grains of resorcin to 1 drachm of vaseline; the ulcer soon began to heal, the surface lost its unhealthy appearance, the cicatrices became soft, and the skin of the nose is now almost sound.—*Ex.*