

if we mention the Secretary, Dr. F. B. Gurd, as deserving of all commendation for his untiring energy, is that the committee would from the first seem to have realized that tuberculosis is intimately dependent upon lack of attention to the laws governing good health in general, that they did not narrow down their work to the one matter of tuberculosis, its prevention and its cure, but gained the hearty co-operation of all the many agencies existing in our midst which devote themselves to improving the health of our people, French and English. The demonstrations in invalid cooking, in nursing, in the care of the teeth, and in house hygiene, were every whit as much centres of attraction as were the exhibits of lungs and other organs the seat of the tuberculous process, the statistical diagrams of the extent of tuberculosis in the city and province and the excellent series of evening lectures delivered by a succession of capable speakers, both from our midst and from a distance.

It was in short a health exhibition, and as such should do more to arouse the community to our existing deficiencies in public and private hygiene than anything that has gone before. We must not, however, be satisfied and self gratulatory over this one notable advance: we must not be satisfied for once to have aroused the interest of the people in these matters; rather this must be made the starting point for active effort along various lines. And we possess the framework for that advance. It may be said that we possess in the provincial and in the municipal by-laws ample powers to protect the people against themselves and against disease. The pity is that the laws, admirable on paper, are scarce enforced. We believe that it is even within our power to enforce notification of cases of tuberculosis. What is needed is that an enlightened public opinion strengthen the hands of the authorities to carry out the laws and by-laws. And here it is most satisfactory to know that we have the cordial support of the whole of the newspaper press of the city. One of the most striking features of the exhibition was the aid given it by the daily and weekly papers, both before its opening and during its continuance.

A notable crusade is being carried on at the present time by the *Standard* in the promotion of a purer milk supply, and already that is having its effect not only on the consumers but on the farmers supplying the city. Remembering the portentous infantile mortality of Montreal this crusade is only second in importance to the anti-tuberculosis campaign. But, we repeat, these are but integral portions of one great movement.

Perhaps the first specific movement to be actually taken in hand for which we would invoke the aid of the press is the putting into activity