

fected by swallowing the sputum from consumptive persons who had charge of them, are numerous.

Much remains to be said on this important subject, and as two more speakers have to follow me I must conclude by expressing a hope that in a matter of such immense public importance full publicity will be given to the views of this Society. Desperate cases require desperate remedies, and I feel that we will but be doing our duty in giving the public our views in the hope that our civic and provincial sanitarians will be induced to follow the example of New York, where a bill was recently passed for the suppression of tuberculosis in milch cows, and Philadelphia, where a Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis has been formed.

"There has been organized in Philadelphia a Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis. Investigation showed that families moving into tenements where the former occupants had been the victims of this disease exhibited symptoms within a short period, and unless removed succumbed. Dr. Flick in his report says:

'Fully one-half of the cases of consumption in the Fifth Ward are believed to be due to living in infected houses. A family unsuspectingly moves into one of the houses which, on the map, are marked with black dots. This house has just been vacated by a family in which death from consumption has occurred. The weakest member of the incoming family succumbs to the disease, the infection spreads to new victims, and death reaps a greater harvest.'

The new Society will do most of its work among the poor, teaching how infection can be avoided. All cases of consumption will be reported to the health board and registered. Consumption is a most fatal disease among the poor, and much can be done by education and by law, if it is enforced, to prevent it."

How many sad bereavments have visited our most happy families through this preventable disease, communicated through milk or flesh? It may be the father, the tender, loving mother; but more frequently the victim is the darling little one who, fed under medical direction, it may be, by the affectionate mother on milk—milk containing the deadly bacillus of tubercle—dies