

You will therefore see that your Committee can only report progress.

J. MITTON COTTON, Chairman.

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE REGISTRY FOR NURSES.

The Special Committee Re Registry for Nurses has met four times and presented a report to the Academy of Medicine in the month of February. The report, which was adopted by the Academy, granted the Council power to establish a Registry for Nurses. Since that date the Committee have met and endeavored to make a draft of constitution and by-laws for the proposed Registry. At the meeting held April 14th, the Chairman of this Committee was authorized to interview the House Committee as to arranging for room for office and sleeping apartment, which would be required for a resident official or Registrar of the Registry. This has been done, but up to the present time the Chairman of the House Committee has not found it possible to secure for the Registry accommodation within the building, feeling that we need all the room at our disposal for conducting the business of the Academy.

Your Committee, therefore, beg to report progress as above, and ask to be re-appointed that they may complete their work during the coming year.

H. J. HAMILTON, Chairman.

VITAL STATISTICS FOR ONTARIO.

The measles epidemic that ravaged the province during the first three months of the year appears to be dying out. During April the number of cases reported dropped from over 5,000 to 3,206. Grey, Simcoe, Wellington and Waterloo Counties have suffered the most.

The general health returns show a decided improvement compared with March, there being a reduction in the cases of scarlet fever, diphtheria, smallpox, typhoid and whooping cough.

The detailed returns show:

Diseases.	April, 1916.		March, 1916.	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Smallpox. . . . .	8	0	32	0
Scarlet Fever . . . . .	185	1	252	11
Diphtheria. . . . .	197	17	265	23
Measles. . . . .	3,206	44	5,158	47
Whooping Cough . . . . .	140	14	283	13
Typhoid Fever . . . . .	36	11	74	24
Tuberculosis. . . . .	178	124	182	120
Infantile Paralysis. . . . .	0	0	0	0
Cerebro-spinal Meningitis. . . . .	23	14	34	20
	<u>3,973</u>	<u>225</u>	<u>6,280</u>	<u>258</u>