

In addition to this the neurasthenic patients are given employment as early as possible in the shape of embroidery, insertion, needlework, etc.

I would not advise the Hospitals Commission undertaking this work in England, as it is being carried out by the Canadian Army Medical Corps in conjunction with the existing local Societies, as outlined in Mr. Dobell's report.

The Blind: As the number of blind Canadian soldiers has not been very large up to the present, and the calculated proportion would not amount to a very large number, I consider it advisable that as much use should be made of St. Dunstan's Home as possible, and therefore arrangements have been made for all blind Canadian soldiers to go there. There is no reason, therefore, why arrangements could not be made in Canada for the subsequent education of blind soldiers. I would refer more particularly to the school for the blind at Halifax, under Sir Frederick Fraser.

The same would apply to deaf and dumb, of which there will be a few cases.

Tubercular patients: It was long ago laid down in the Canadian Permanent Forces that all tubercular soldiers should be sent to a Sanatorium for six months in order that they may learn how to look after themselves, and not be a menace to the community. This procedure has been carried out in England, and all cases are sent to a Sanatorium in England, unless the circumstances warrant the man being sent back to Canada, in which case the same procedure will be adopted. At the end of six months, each case will be considered on its own merits, as to whether it is desirable to have further treatment, or to have the man discharged and sent to his own home.

With reference to the suggestion about patients being sent for treatment to the baths at Bath, this has been carried out, but we have made arrangements, through the generosity of the Canadian Red Cross Society, for opening a Hospital at Buxton. This we expect to have open very soon, and it will accommodate 300 patients. It will be used for rheumatic cases.

Artificial limbs: My opinion is that the Canadian soldiers should have the best limb obtainable. Arrangements have now been made that all amputated cases will go to the Granville Canadian Special Hospital. The firms concerned at Roehampton will send a representative to this Hospital to take the necessary measurements. When the leg is ready for fitting, the man will be transferred to the King's Canadian Red Cross Convalescent Hospital, Bushey Park, and will attend at Roehampton, which is near by, as an outpatient. When the limb is thoroughly well fitted and the man can move about, he will then be returned to the Granville Special Hospital at Ramsgate, so that we may be certain that our Specialists are satisfied with the limb.