

tions. We believe there should be some common examination that would carry with it the degree from the university and the license from the College of Physicians and Surgeons. There does not seem to be much object in examining a student twice on the same subject within a few weeks.

6. A Medical Director. While taking evidence, the commissioner manifested a sincere desire to obtain information on the feasibility of appointing one who would act as a sort of arbitrator or referee in medical affairs. The public could appeal to this person. The report states that "The profession requires to be protected against itself; against sloth and inefficiency in the conduct of its preparations, as well as its practice."

The value of this office will largely depend upon the tact and good sense of the person who fills it. It might turn out to be only another officer whose duty would be mainly to watch other bodies. Notwithstanding all the objections that can be advanced against such an appointment, we are inclined to approve of this part of the commissioner's report.

7. Homoeopathy. Justice Hodgins recognizes the fact that this body is dying out. He suggests that as the whole Medical Council is responsible for what is done by it, the entire Medical Council should decide upon the education of the homoeopaths, and that this should not be done by the few homoeopaths on the Council. This would tend very much to unify medical matters, and we believe it to be an excellent suggestion.

8. Nurses. It is recommended that the provincial registration of nurses to be established with local branches where nurses may be registered according to their qualifications.

Only those graduating from schools conducted by public hospitals or by a school designated by the Provincial Secretary, if outside the Province, are to be known as a graduate, trained or certified nurse.

Home nursing associations are to be incorporated, and provision is to be made for the training of nurses to serve under practising physicians or a graduate nurse in caring for the sick in their homes and their families.

The establishment of further training centres and the training of nurses are to be dealt with immediately.

We must warn the members of the medical profession that if they wish the many excellent features of Mr. Justice Hodgins' report to become law, they must use their influence in support of this. Already the lay press is filled with letters from the osteopaths and the chiropractors trying to convince the people of what wonderful systems for the cure of disease they follow. It will not do to treat this with silent contempt.