

a fear that later on I may be unwilling to do so, and may have unrecorded experiences which, if not fortunate in my hands, might still be helpful to others.<sup>2</sup>

For the benefit of those working along similar lines, I may mention that in beginning work of this kind, one must secure beforehand the cooperation of teaching, licensing, and sanitary bodies to prevent a clashing; one must be prepared to give personally any part of the whole course if necessary; and one must find before beginning some means by which those attending will derive a material advantage from it.

A cooperation of sanitarians, teachers, and legislators, effected through some central sanitary body like the American Public Health Association, might afford a valuable means of securing uniformity in the matter of qualifications and diploma. I think that a diploma should imply at least several months of instruction; for shorter courses certificates might be given.

I think it important that in connection with medical schools facilities should be provided for advanced and practical teaching in State medicine, and that the State authorities should aid in the matter. Elaborate laboratories are less needed than practical and systematic utilization of the ordinary sanitary material on the same basis as clinical teaching. I have tried to show how facilities such as exist in every city in America may be readily made use of to place the teaching of State medicine upon the basis which it occupies in Europe.

Another direction in which teaching bodies might render more assistance to the health boards is in the systematic training and certification of sanitary inspectors and the lay officials of health departments. Universities proper having the teaching-staff equipment are in a better position to do this than health boards. I am at present giving a course of systematic instruction to the sanitary inspectors in connection with the Montreal Health Department at the request of Mr. H. B. Ames, chairman of the Health Committee, as a return for the opportunities afforded for teaching my own classes.

<sup>2</sup> Since writing the above we have completed the course and 5 candidates, 3 of whom are health officials, have earned diplomas; 8 others, including 3 health officials, have partially filled the requirements and will complete them later on.