

ering haggard over the countryside searching in vain for a beloved family. And some of our ranks have been taken as hostages, others have been shot, and their widows and orphans have been deprived of everything."

This appeal to our sympathies, at once brought about in Britain the foundation of a most representative committee, under the chairmanship of Sir Rickman J. Godlee, who visited this country in 1913, and upon his request, a committee for Canada was shortly afterwards formed, consisting of the leading representatives of the profession in every Province. I am happy to state that the response from our brethren throughout the length and breadth of the Dominion has been most enthusiastic, prompt, and self-sacrificing, and that the cash in hand to date amounts to the handsome sum of \$7,622.00, of which Ontario has contributed \$4,919.00. In addition to this, the sum of \$2,600.00 was forwarded by a French committee in Montreal, so that the total for Canada amounts to \$10,222.00. From the *British Medical Journal* of the 24th April, we learn that the British committee, to whose care the Canadian committee has remitted to date the sum of \$6,916.00, had forwarded £964 10s. to Belgium to meet the urgent needs of Belgian doctors and pharmacists remaining in their own country, while a further sum of £350 had been devoted to the purchase of drugs and clothes, and by way of loans. The total sum received by the British committee, according to the same authority, amounts to £10,012 11s. 2d.

While we are pleased at the results attained, we must remind ourselves that if poor Belgium has passed through the fire already, its furnace of suffering will be heated yet again seven times, in the slow and awful torture which must be inflicted upon its cities and citizens during the process of the expulsion of the ruthless foe.

As Prof. Sarolea has stated in his Toronto addresses, so full of soul anguish, and yet so resolute, Belgium is between the upper and nether millstones, and will be ground to dust. The need for help will outlast the war, and neither must our purse strings be drawn, nor our sympathies dried up until our professional brethren in Belgium are once more reinstated. "When the day comes for the nations to adjust the balance, and right the wrongs which Belgium has suffered, one of the first duties of the medical profession throughout the world will be to see that the practitioners who have played so distinguished and useful a part in the life of their country are reinstated. We cannot at once rebuild the houses of Belgian doctors, or restock the shelves of Belgian pharmacists, but it is clear that the people require prompt medical