

form of history will be gone over and suggestions made as to the information of most importance and methods of obtaining it.

In order that a diagnosis may, in certain cases be made before the patient is sent to the hospital, and more satisfactory information given to the friends regarding the probable outcome of the case, clinical pictures of type cases will be presented; all the features being duly emphasized, the prognosis offered, and the plan of treatment outlined.

Psychiatry is making rapid progress in many foreign lands and an awakening of interest is all that is necessary in Ontario to enable us to be pioneers in a work of the utmost importance from an economic, sociologic, and humanitarian point of view. The most casual observer cannot fail to be impressed by the seriousness of the problems presented, and apathy is much more likely than open opposition to cause retardation, so it is earnestly hoped that the question may be faced fairly and squarely and an endeavour made by all to aid in the solution. The scientific observations of the laboratory worker and the clinical studies of the man on the wards will serve only to partly solve the problem; those already indicated must furnish the rest. The physician must be the high priest, giving advice and counsel based on accurate, careful and painstaking observations of his fellow worker in this special branch, further aided by his own knowledge of the conditions in each case.

It is hoped that this journal may also be of special interest to all engaged in the specialty, for that reason items of scientific and personal interest will find their way into its columns from time to time. Book reviews, ab-