News Items

British Columbia continues an active campaign against tuberculosis. Two pamphlets have recently been issued to the teachers and school children of that Province.

THE Montreal League for the Prevention of Tuberculosis will receive a donation of \$50,000 from Lt.-Col. Burland of that city, on condition that the League will raise an endowment of \$50,000 to provide for the support of the institution.

Mr. Frank A. Ruf, President and Treasurer of the Antikamnia Chemical Co., St. Louis, has recently been decorated by the Shah of Persia with the Imperial Order of the Lion and the Sun. Mr. Ruf is a collector of Persian textile art treasures.

THE "American Woman," is the title of an article in *The Spectator* by Dr. Andrew MacPhail, editor of the University Magazine and the Montreal Medical Journal, which has attracted considerable attention in England and the United States.

A CLEAN milk supply for Toronto is being agitated for on the part of the Academy of Medicine and those members of the Milk Commission of the Canadian Medical Association. At the meeting of the section on Public Health of the Academy, on the evening of the 20th of October, Dr. J. A. Amyot gave an address which included certified milk, inspected milk and tuberculosis and milk.

Publishers' Department

Anemia and its Relation to Catarrhal Inflammation.—No disease is more common than chronic inflammation of the mucous membranes. Doubtless many causes contribute to the prevalence of this malady which spares neither the young nor the old, the rich nor the poor, the high nor the low. Prominent in its etiology, however, are sudden climatic changes, the breathing of bad or dust-laden air, bad hygiene in personal habits, and bad sanitary surroundings. These factors all singly or collectively tend to lower the vitality of the whole human organism, and as a consequence the cells throughout the body perform their various functions imperfectly, or not at all. The quality of the