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## THE TREATMENT OF TUBERCULOSIS IN ONTARIO.

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WHEN requested by the editor of the JOURNAL to prepare an article upon what is being done in caring for the consumptive patients of the Dominion by the National Sanitarium Association, I felt that a short note with illustrative diagrams might prove more interesting to the busy practitioner than a longer paper, which might require more time in reading.

First, a word as to the Association itself. Organized in 1896, with the express object of founding sanatoria for the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis, it has thus far erected two at Gravenhurst, with beds for 145 patients: The Muskoka Free Hospital for Consumptives, with seventy-five beds, and the Muskoka Cottage Sanatorium, with seventy beds, the latter for paying patients.

More than \$400,000 has been expended by the Association in the establishment and maintenance of these institutions and in the distribution of literature to aid in the fight against this disease. The money expended has been received from various sources, individual subscriptions and bequests, municipal and government grants, patients and others. The Free Hospital is maintained by voluntary contributions. No patient has ever been refused admission to the Free Hospital because of his poverty.

Over 1,500 patients have been cared for by the Association. The instruction of so many in the principles of hygienic living