

There is a tendency, and it must be resisted, to secure aid as soon as they feel ill, or even when only out of employment. There must be a definite plan of organization in all cities so as to prevent overlapping of aid, and the granting of aid where it is not merited. It is almost as bad to pauperize a person as to refuse aid to one who has just claims to assistance. On this point we have very strong views that a great deal of good money and valuable time have been thrown away upon those who should have been made work instead of doling out to them help.

Dr. Bruce Smith deals with the question of sanatoria for tuberculosis. This is very urgent; but there is a solution at hand. In a previous issue we give our readers the circular letter issued by the Canadian Antituberculosis League and signed by the Rev. W. Moore and Prof. J. G. Adami, asking the hospital to arrange some accommodation for tubercular patients. This we think is the solution. There should be some sanatoria for the care of early cases; but for the advanced and dangerous cases we think hospitals should make some provision. We all know that under proper care there is no danger to the nurse or other attendant, but to the ignorant public these advanced cases are very dangerous.

We go further, and contend that the government should compel hospitals to make provision for some cases of tuberculosis.

This would bring a sanatorium within the reach of all. All this can be done with very little cost, as the hospitals have the organization already. There can be such a degree of isolation as will dispell all fear among the other patients. To our mind this is the shortest known route to the goal. Let us quit being foolish and sentimental, and become practical and do something. It is going to take a very long time to secure sufficient sanatoria for the country. In the meantime thousands are dying and infecting tens of thousands. "Let the dead past bury the dead, act, act in the living present." If hospitals would act in this way the wealthy would see something useful being done and would give. So would municipalities and governments. Fear has killed people; yes, and many a good cause.

Outworn ideals are fading fast away,
Beyond its buried past the world has ranged,
New influences shape its trend to-day,
But truth still lives and mankind bides unchanged.

MEDICAL INSPECTION OF TORONTO SCHOOLS.

We have long urged that there should be medical inspection of schools in the larger cities. It is in the large cities that the worst condi-