

THE ANXIOUS DEAD.

The following poem, marked strongly by the peculiar genius of the late Dr. John McCrae, was given by him to the Rev. Dr. Chown, at Boulogne, last August, and is published in *The Christian Guardian*. At that time Lt.-Col. McCrae was second in command at No. 3 McGill University Hospital, France:

O guns, fall silent till the dead men hear
 Above their heads the legions pressing on;
 (These fought their fight in time of bitter fear,
 And died, not knowing how the day had gone).

O flashing muzzles pause, and let them see
 The coming dawn that streaks the sky afar;
 Then let your mighty chorus witness be
 To them, and Caesar, that we still make war.

Tell them, O guns, that we have heard their call,
 That we have sworn, and will not turn aside;
 That we will onward till we win or fall,
 That we will keep the faith for which they died.

Bid them be patient, and some day anon
 They shall feel earth enwrapt in silence deep,
 Shall greet, in wonderment, the quiet dawn,
 And, in content, may turn them to their sleep.

MEETING OF MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICERS.

A combined meeting of the Canadian Public Health Association and the Ontario Health Officers' Association will be held in Hamilton on 27th May to 1st June, 1918.

Presidential Address, Canadian Public Health Association—"A Plea and a Plan," W. H. Hattie, Halifax, N.S.

Presidential Address, Ontario Health Officers' Association—H. W. Hill, London, Ont.

"The Public Health Nurse"—J. A. Bandouin, Lachine, Que.

Paper (title not received)—M. M. Seymour, Regina, Sask.

"Good Public Health Service in Small Towns and Rural Municipalities"—J. J. Harper, Alliston.

"Hints on Rural Health Administration"—J. W. S. McCullough, Toronto.

"The Control of an Outbreak of Diphtheria"—W. C. Allison, Toronto.