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THE PROPOSED HOSPITALS FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Through the wisdom and energy of a few members of the managing committees and medical boards of the General and Notre Dame hospitals, Montreal is likely to have two hospitals for infectious disease before long. It is in some senses unfortunate that it is necessary to have two distinct places for the treatment of infectious diseases, but any other arrangement would be impracticable in this dual city.

At a recent joint meeting of the Health Committee and representatives of the different hospitals, the former agreed to recommend that the proposition of the hospitals should be accepted. This proposition is that two distinct hospitals be erected, each to consist of several pavillions, and that the separate organizations be managed by one of the general hospitals. The city is asked to contribute the sum of \$7,000 per annum to each hospital for 20 beds and 75 cents daily for each additional bed occupied; the entire management to be under the lay and medical boards of the Montreal General and the Notre Dame hospitals.

There can be no question of the urgent necessity there is for immediate and complete provision for infectious cases. The only special provision for such cases open to the Protestant population in Montreal is the old brick annex of the General Hospital. Owing to its proximity to the new surgical wings, it has been found necessary to have it removed.