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TUBERCULOSIS

Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis is able to report a year of work, though handicapped in many ways and especially by the failure of the municipal council to provide a sanatorium for incurable or advanced cases. At the next meeting of the board provision will be made for an institution, as the initial steps have been taken and a site for the institution is available at low cost. The society also has been handicapped by lack of funds, and it is surprising that so small a proportion of the citizens have been willing to pay the small subscription for membership, and would be of so much benefit in the work of the dispensary. Next year should see the dispensary opened and a sanatorium and day hospital. The number of deaths from tuberculosis has shown a slight decrease 1910, but the city's record is very unfavorable one, and if we are to be in a position to advertise St. John as one of the healthiest cities in the world it will be necessary further to decrease the death rate from this source, more to remove the cause of disease. The Society for the Prevention of Tuberculosis has the hearty support of the citizens in the great work.

TAX REFORM

Coming of Mr. A. B. Farmer to St. John on an address on tax will arouse an additional interest in the progress of this reform in the province of Ontario. The Tax Reform bill, of which Mr. Farmer has been a member for a number of years, is one of about fifty organizations in all of Ontario. It was formed for the purpose of securing an amendment to the assessment act, which would allow municipalities on a vote of the ratepayers to lower rates on buildings, businesses and on incomes than the values. At the outset the Ontario government was decidedly opposed to change, and especially to the principle of local option, which would give over to the municipalities. However, the agitation has been so vigorous and widespread, and has received the support of so many influential newspapers, that the government agreed to have a special committee of inquiry, bearing on the whole subject. This committee has just met, and is considering bills proposed by Mr. W. and Mr. Ellis of Ottawa, and has heard a very strong case was made for a lower assessment on improvements on land. It was so strong that Mr. H. H. Hanna, speaking as a member of the government, intimated that they still opposed the local option, but they would be prepared to concede a portion of taxes on improvements. The committee of the government in the matter will not be finally determined until Mr. Whitney returns, but it is reasonable to expect that the local option will be made to the advocates of reform. Mr. Farmer has taken a very part in the general discussion of the question, and is therefore able to make a clear statement of the progress of the proposed change.

THE DEFENCE POLICY

Mr. Longhead, government leader in debate, has declared himself in favor of a fleet, one army, one exchequer, and one imperial parliament. It is also the view of Mr. Borden, who is likely to be a very clear line of demarcation between the two parties. Such a policy as the senator suggests will not only itself at the present time to the majority of the people of Canada, but it is a policy which is not only a policy of the future of the Empire, and mere words will not satisfy the popular demand for full information and a dignified policy for the country.

ME INTERESTING CONCLUSIONS

Very interesting book entitled "Immigration and Labor," by Dr. Isaac A. Horn, has just been issued in New York. Dr. Horn's conclusions are that immigration into the United States does not affect the employment of labor. He points out that the immigration comes in times of industrial depression, and falls off in times of industrial expansion, and declares that the number of days of employment of wage-earners declines as immigration increases and increases as immigration declines. He states the law of relationship between economic forces which produce

business expansion reduce unemployment and attract immigration; those which produce business depression increase unemployment and reduce immigration.

Dr. Horn points out the difference in the effect the introduction of machinery has in the factory and on the farm. Its introduction in the factory tends to displace the small proprietor and substitute the wage-earner, but on the farm it has the opposite effect. Hence the introduction of machinery on the farm tends to drive people from the country to the city, and also to send the immigrant to the city rather than to the country. It has been contended that immigration is driving native born women from the mills and factories. Dr. Horn replies that for every woman of American parentage who left the mill or clothing factory forty of such women have found new openings in other directions, and that the increase in the number of native American women in professions is nearly five times as great as the decrease in the number of native American factory girls. It has also been alleged that immigration tends to prevent the natural increase of population. Dr. Horn denies that there is any relationship between immigration and birth rate, and points out that in Australia, which has very little immigration, the birth rate has declined as rapidly as among native Americans, and that in fact the birth rate in all civilized lands has been showing a steady decline. Dr. Horn quotes the Immigration Commission to prove that immigration has not lowered the rate of wages, nor tended to retard an advance in wages are highest in those cities which have the largest immigrant population; and, moreover, where there is less foreign competition there is the highest rate of child labor. The Commission also shows that labor organizations exist under the best conditions where immigrants are most numerous. Summing up his conclusions Dr. Horn states them thus:

- (1) Immigration does not displace native American labor.
- (2) Immigration varies inversely with unemployment; it does not increase the rate of unemployment.
- (3) Immigration does not lower the standard of living.
- (4) It does not reduce the rate of wages, but it has pushed native American laborers into the more skilled and more remunerative occupations.
- (5) The hours of labor have been reduced in the communities in which immigration has been great.
- (6) Immigrants join labor organizations as freely as natives.

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"What is it?" "A lock and key,"—Washington Star.

SAID SHE, YAWNING. Mr. Stanyon—My watch has stopped. I wonder how long I've been talking?

MISS BORED—You'll find a calendar in the hall.—Exchange.

COMPARATIVE. "I think it must be awful to have a wife that goes through your pockets every time she gets a chance in search of loose change," said Willoughby.

"Oh, that's only a minor affliction," said Barrow. "It's the wife that goes through your whole bank account that gets on my nerves."—Harper's Weekly.

THOROUGHNESS. Mistress (to new butler)—"Oh, James, I found this bowl, chipped and cracked in the pantry this afternoon."

James—"I am not the culprit, Madam; I never chips nor cracks. When I breaks I smashes utterly."—London Punch.

MUFFLED KNOCKS. "No, you're not at all in the way. Bored, I'll stop right over you when I want to go out."

"It's so kind of you to ask me to your house, Mrs. Tingley! I'll call to go."

"Bobby, I've warned you not to watch people when they eat; you're embarrassing Cousin Cyrus so much that he's spilling gravy all over the tablecloth."

"It's a pleasure to see you this morning, old chap; I'll not see you again, probably for a year."

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