

stated in the assets as "Outstanding debts at this Harbour, \$64,000. Value, *nil*." The credit system, though impossible to get rid of at a moment's notice, was injurious to all who practiced it. The doctor got hopeless of curing folk whom he had to send back to chronic starvation, and of cruel cases of tubercular diseases in so many young children, in a climate where there is no excuse for the *tubercle bacillus*, except the miserable poverty of the people.

Could anything be done to preach the gospel, on economic lines? Or should he be satisfied to work away with his eyes tightly closed, trying to undo what he saw would all be done over again directly he had reached the end of his tether? At least no one could blame him for trying. Should he go on preaching the salvation of the soul in the next world, while he witnessed the damnation of the body in this, without making an effort to mitigate the situation, however feeble it might prove?