

PROVINCIAL LABORATORY'S GOOD WORK

Wisdom of Appointment of Dr. Abramson Shown by Work Which Has Been Done.

NEARLY THREE THOUSAND TESTS

During the Year—Chief of Laboratories Recommends Changes and Extension to Enhance Usefulness of Laboratory.

The report of Dr. H. L. Abramson, chief of laboratories, for the year 1919-20, is a most interesting document and reveals the wonderful work which has been accomplished by him since his appointment to the position, and shows the health department made no mistake when they secured his services. Dr. Abramson makes a number of recommendations for the increasing of the usefulness of the laboratory and these would receive sympathetic consideration by the government.

The report is as follows: Dr. George G. Meiville, Chief Medical Officer, Fredericton, N. B. I beg to submit the following report, for transmission to the Honorable, the Minister of Health.

H. L. ABRAMSON, Chief of Laboratories. The matter for this report has been compiled largely in tables which accompany this note. Table I shows that 2200 examinations have been performed. Of these, 569 have been done for the General Public Hospital of St. John under a grant to the Laboratory from the Commissioners of the General Public Hospital. This grant is \$500.00 per annum. This grant is to be increased to \$1000.00 per year beginning with August, 1919.

Considerable of the outside work has been done for the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment. This has been largely Wassermann Tests. Table II shows the work done for the city of St. John under a special grant for this purpose. It will be noted that 410 examinations for fat content and 163 examinations for bacterial count have been done, making a total of 569 examinations. Next year, it is expected that the number of examinations will be considerably increased.

Table III presents the distribution of Vaccine Virus (Smallpox) throughout the province. It will be noted that 23,600 capillaries have been distributed. A number of the Sub-District Boards of Health have not, at this writing, reimbursed the Department for vaccine sent them. This is due, in all probability to the fact that the boards have not met for the passing of bills.

Table IV presents the cash receipts distributed according to the character of the work performed. It is to be noted that the total is \$3995.64. Except for one item of \$227.50 which was in payment of Vaccine Virus, all of this money was received for laboratory work done. This total does not include the \$1000.00 grant from the city of St. John, which is being sent to the laboratory, nor does it include the following table shows the work done at the laboratory during the year ending October 31, 1919:

Table with 4 columns: Examinations, Gen. Pub. Hospital, Outside, Total. Rows include Urine, Sputum, Water, Stomach Contents, For Treponema Pallidum, For Gonococcus, Feces, Milk, Human, Wild, Throat Cultures, Wassermann Tests, Blood Counts, Antigenic Vaccines, Spinal Fluid, Blood Cultures, Section of Tissue, Other Bacteriological, Animal Inoculations.

Total 655. N. B.—The above is exclusive of bacteriological and chemical control of the milk supply of the City of St. John, done under a special grant from the city of St. John, N. B. which numbered 669.

From A Child Was Constipated

According to the best medical authorities, fully three-fourths of the people of the civilized world suffer in some form from constiveness or irregular action of the bowels. There is no doubt that many distressing diseases are caused by constipation. It gives rise to sick and bilious headaches, jaundice, heartburn, floating specks before the eyes, catarrh of the stomach, biliousness and the painful, troublesome piles. Therefore, it is of supreme importance to health that the bowels be kept regular. Simple food, fruit, etc., should be used, and rich food and stimulants of all kinds avoided. This, with the use of Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills to regulate and establish healthy action of the bowels cannot fail to give permanent relief in the most obstinate cases. Mrs. Letitia Walman, Orillia, Ont., writes:—"From a child I was always very badly constipated, and I can well remember when quite young, my mother giving me senna tea nearly every morning, and I got to dread it. After taking Milburn's Laxa-Liver Pills for a while I am not troubled with constipation any more."

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HEAD ACHES, NEURALGIA, FLU, MIGRAINE

BE PRETTY! TURN GRAY HAIR DARK

Try Grandmother's Old Favorite Recipe of Sage Tea and Sulphur.

Almost everyone knows that Sage Tea and Sulphur, properly compounded, brings back the natural color and lustre to the hair when faded, streaked or gray. Years ago the only way to get this mixture was to make it at home, which is messy and troublesome. Nowadays, by asking at any drug store for "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," you will get a large bottle of this famous old recipe, improved by the addition of other ingredients, at a small cost.

Don't say "I wish I had" any more. You can possibly tell that you darkened your hair, as it does it so naturally and evenly. You dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and color and shine through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning the gray hair disappears, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy and attractive.

\$250.00 which is owing to the laboratory from the General Hospital. If these two items are included, the total cash receipts would be above \$600.00.

The most important need of the laboratory at this present time is more room. Our little space allotted to us by the General Public Hospital is more than crowded. It makes accurate work difficult. To be efficient, laboratory work must be accurate. Further, the lack of space limits our usefulness. The laboratory cannot do all the work that its personnel can perform for lack of room. It cannot make efforts to get more work because of the cramped condition of the working space.

A crying need is a private consulting room where persons desirous of consulting the laboratory about very private matters, such as Wassermann tests, Treponema examinations, gonococcus examinations, can come without the fear of persons knowing or surmising the business that brings the person to the laboratory. A number of persons to my knowledge have refused to consult the laboratory because of this state of affairs. The St. John physicians are chary of sending their patients to the laboratory because of the possibility of undesirable publicity.

We need more room for expansion of our work. It is the intention of the laboratory to engage in some of the latest refinements in micro-chemistry of the blood, but this is impossible until we get more room. We have only one centrifuge in our laboratory. This is the most useful appliance in our laboratory. If this mechanism should get out of order, we would have to stop during Wassermann tests and milk examinations. We have no room for a reserve centrifuge. These are a few of the strong arguments for more room. Aside from this we should have a building to house the laboratory which can be used as headquarters for the St. John Sub-District Board of Health. If Nova Scotia can afford to have a laboratory building, New Brunswick is not so poor but that she can make the necessary expenditure.

I trust that the matter of more room will receive the serious consideration that it deserves.

H. L. ABRAMSON, Director.

done at the laboratory during the year ending October 31, 1919:

POLICE COURT CASES YESTERDAY

Gladstone Johnson Sent up for Trial for Threatening His Sister With a Knife—Stowaway and Two Alleged Thieves Remanded.

In the police court yesterday morning Gladstone Johnson was charged with assault. His sister, Mrs. Evelyn Skimner, testified that the accused threatened her with a knife last Friday in her home in Union Alley. Her little girl corroborated the mother's evidence. The prisoner was sent up for trial.

Vincent Omario, a stowaway, taken from the steamer Millbrook was remanded until the ship was ready to sail.

Two drunks pleaded guilty and were remanded.

Further evidence was taken in the case of Cornelius Flynn and Kenneth Morris charged with the theft of several bags of oats the property of Marie Zeig and the case was postponed until Wednesday next.

Two fifteen year old girls were charged with street walking and after some evidence was heard they were remanded until Saturday morning.

A by-law case against Miss Taxer charged with trespassing on the C. N. R. property was taken up and further adjourned until next Tuesday morning.

Thin, Nervous People Need Bitro-Phosphate

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Eminent specialists state that one of the best things for the nerves is an organic phosphate known among druggists as Bitro-Phosphate, a five-grain tablet of which should be taken with each meal. Being a genuine nerve builder and not a stimulant or habit-forming drug, Bitro-Phosphate can be safely taken by the weakest and most delicate sufferer, and the results following its use are often simply astonishing!

By strengthening the nerves, weak tired people regain energy and vigor, thinness and irregularity give way to plumpness and curves; sleep returns to the sleepless; confidence and cheerfulness replace debility and gloom; dull eyes become bright, and pale, sunken cheeks regain the pink glow of health.

CAUTION—Bitro-Phosphate, the use of which is inexpensive, also wonderfully promotes the assimilation of food, so much so, that many people report marked gains of weight in a few weeks. Those taking it who do not desire to put on flesh, should use extra care in avoiding fat-producing foods.

IS PROHIBITION GERMAN DESIGN?

Liberty League Speaker Puts This Question to Meeting.

SAYS HE IS SUSPICIOUS

Wonders if Attempt Made to Cause Division in Canada.

Toronto, March 30.—"Is it not possible that Germany is attacking us through the United States?" was the question which W. J. D. Penly, of Cobalt, told a meeting held last night in St. George's Hall, under the auspices of the Central Branch, Citizens' Liberty League had been brought to his mind by the influx of controversy causing propaganda from the American side of the border. He quoted from the Christian Guardian a statement which he said had been made by Rev. S. D. Chown, D.D., with reference to the activities of the Liberty League in Cobalt, as follows: "The measure of their hatred is the measure of their fear, but we have no programme but to make them hate us some more."

"Can you imagine a doctrine of hatred coming from a Christian man?" queried Mr. Penly, who added that it was doctrine of hatred of class against class which caused revolution. He prefaced his following remarks with the assertion that he did not put them out as facts but in order that you may

The Buying of "Cheap" Tea, is a peculiar circumstance--The less you pay, the more it costs

"SATADA"

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have the same suspicion that I have. "We don't know who the prohibitionists in the United States are," he went on. "It isn't the country but some element there. Some element in the United States which may be of German origin could benefit by trouble caused in Canada or in England."

The speaker declared that at the present time an agitation setting Protestants and Catholics against each other was being carried on in the United States and he held that any such attempts tending to divide the community was not wanted in Canada.

"When the church is being prostituted for political purposes, it cannot be a Christian church," he asserted, and added, "So when these anti-alcohol people arrive here with their division-causing talk, let's say to them, 'We will not be separated from our Catholic friends.'" He pointed to these present to "line up" with the Liberty League, which, he said, aimed to oppose anything antagonistic to the unity of the people.

Charles Townsend, who acted as chairman, in echoing the call for new members, remarked: "The Government is pretty careful of what they do in spite of the pressure of the Referendum Committee, because if it is their move next and we are ready."

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Your choice of many different patterns—and of Twin Pairs and Double Width in each pattern. Enameled in the accepted Decorative Colors, and in Mahogany, Oak and Circassian Walnut.

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OTTAWA DEFEAT AND WON T At Toronto Last Night Fi Cup, Emblematic of Championship—Game Score Six to One.

Toronto, April 1.—Ottawa defeated Seattle tonight by six to one in the Stanley Cup, emblematic of the World's professional hockey championship. For two periods the battle was close and until Rowe, the star Seattle defenseman, was injured, the Ottawa players had the edge on the play. Seattle went completely to pieces in the last twenty minutes and Ottawa won in a straight goal.

Seattle never gave up trying to Darragh scored the fourth goal. Rowe fought a gallant battle and had Rowe not been injured, might have won the title. All of the Ottawa players showed splendid form but Jack Darragh stood out as their most effective goal-getter, he tallying no less than five of the goals.

Chances were considered bright that Seattle would break the jinx that has always prevented the visiting team from Stanley Cup matches but for the tenth time the teams can true form.

The line-up and summary follows:

BASEBALL BANNERS BEEN USED

Extravagance in Great American Lead to Class Distinction His Best Season.

(By Wilbur B. Hanna.) To those who have watched with some apprehension the trend of the long purse baseball clubs of the major leagues to those who loathe baseball—it must have been a relief to read that the Cincinnati club has no intention of parting with Kopta Roush to make a deal with the Giants. Salutary sentiments if they are lived up to.

Deals are legitimate always if carried on under sensible bounds. The revive interest. So does the appearance of new faces in a ball team. Material, tones up a who's. The bankroll, however, has too prominent a place in the making of strength to clubs and players to the two New York and Philadelphia Sox clubs.

Who have purchased at extravagant prices of ball players which emphasize the ability of the affluent member of the leagues to buy material wherever and in whatever quantities. The practice weakens the others and does baseball harm in the cities that weakened no matter how much they may put the profitable city that strengthened on the road to busy territories and possibly a pennant.

Such practice tends to create class distinction right in the same league which is not a desirable state and has no place in the democracy of sports. It tends to create the feeling that certain clubs of a league are but feeding for others and relieves certain clubs of the responsibility of developing an equal extent with all the other new material. Without constant and steady effort to develop new material baseball cannot last, and a club should be allowed to evade the share of it. Recourse as a last thing to the bankroll when hurried for playing strength will tend to encourage that evasion.

Wise Step by American. The American League took a wise and timely step when it resolved to increase the period in which baseball is against interclub trading. The National League's standpoint on the matter was reactionary. Intellectually the National League has been more alive than the American, but here is one instance when it wasn't.

In producing a situation which calls for less brandishing of the check-book—to whatever extent beyond rational and sound practice has gone—the clubs that sell are equally blameworthy with those who buy. There is no case of one set of team signing and the others being sinners against. There always have been deals in baseball. There were big ones many years ago, big ones too numerous to mention, but not on such a money scale as now and with the development by one club of a star only to find him eventually landing with the club with the biggest coffers—nothing like so frequent as now.

Wherein the Boston Red Sox club profited in a playing sense in the Ruth with the Yankees is beyond the foresight of any man, but if it really did have such idea in mind it does not appear in such a bad light as otherwise. A club has the moral right to dispose of any star if it thinks it can strengthen by so doing.

The trouble is that when huge sums of money change hands, and generally from the same set of clubs, the motive of the sellers appears to be one not of strengthening on the field but financially. And the further away from the playing season the transactions are to better the impression on the fan, for then they appear less in the light of frantic efforts to strengthen for immediate needs.

The process of gathering, developing and building really first class teams has been so infrequent that it must be extremely difficult. Witness the scarcity of such teams as the Boston of the nineties, the Orioles of those days, the old Tobean Cleveland, Pirates of '92, the Cubs and the Athletics. But how such constructionists as Seale, Hamilton, Tebeau, Clarke and Mack do stand out in baseball history.

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