

check back over these diagnoses and see if they are correct. I think this should be taken into consideration by the Commission. If these doctors are going to advise individuals to go home to bed and call for their favorite undertaker then it is too bad, and then come back like this when they are attacked by the Medical Council who are attempting to discredit Miss Caisse, then these matters should be taken into consideration. I am trying to bring them up in each individual case as they arise so we will save time later on. That is Dr. Jeffrey's letter at page 217 of exhibit 46. He says "I think I put my foot in it".

- A. Yes, he has put his foot in it. I would like to tell these gentlemen another little thing -
- Q. You better go sit with your folks. Alright.

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MR. MURPHY: Pages 10, 11, 12 and 13 of these books that were filed, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Book one?

MR. MURPHY: Book one.

COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Q. What is the address?

A. Number 10 Chicora Avenue, Toronto.

MR. MURPHY: I think possibly so we will have it on the record, and to save looking up, this is Mrs May Henderson, 10 Chicora Avenue, Toront*i*, age 41 years?

A. I shall be 43 at the end of this month.

Q. Dr. Diack and Dr. Barclay, Women's College St. Hospital.





COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Dr.--

MR. MURPHY: Diack and Dr. Barclay. Dr. J. McInnis,  
Timmins, Ontario. Diagnosis, fibrose tumour of breast  
and side, also large uterine tumour. Dr. McInnis  
considered it malignant. Patient had goitre operation  
but no other operation or treatment. Now, explain  
to the Commission, madam, what your condition was and when  
it started?

A. Yes, I think my trouble started  
when I was practically a youngster. I had good health  
when I was a child but from the time the change came  
about 13 or 14 the goitre began to develop in my throat.  
From that time on I never really had good health, and  
about 1918 or 1919 I noticed that my breast would  
swell and eventually a lump formed in the left breast.  
I went to Dr. Isabella Wood. I was always doctoring  
sure or less, and she told me she didn't know what this  
might be and to come back in a month. I was frightened  
and a friend advised me to go to Dr. C. B. Parker. He said  
it was chronic mastitis and, gave me treatment for  
that. I got better to some extent, but the mastitis  
persisted. Presently it was in the other breast, and  
gradually I was getting worse over a period of years.  
In 1922 I think it was eventually I went to Dr. Charles  
A. Parker, and he went over me very carefully, and  
had my chest X-rayed. He could not determine why it  
was that I was in such a dreadfully run down condition.  
I did not respond to his treatments, and he found that  
I had this small goitre in my throat. I might say





I thought it had started when I was about 13 or 14 .  
I had treatment from an herbalist in Stratford and  
the treatment seemed to reduce the growth, but later  
when Dr. Parker removed it it was just like a stone.  
It was long and he said he had to get right down under  
my collar bone to get it out, and it was very hard.  
I thought after the operation I was going to be fine.  
Instead of that my health generally was considerably  
worse, and I just went down hill steadily from then on.  
It came to about 1930 and eventually the mastitis had  
become a cystic mass, and then that had grown a tumour  
to my right breast. By this time I was feeling pretty  
sick, and I went to about five different doctors. All  
of them agreed that there was nothing known to science  
that would clear up this condition. The only thing  
to do was to remove both breasts because by this time  
they were both involved, and I was feeling pretty sick.  
I felt that that was not going to cure anything, and  
I didn't have the operation performed. I dragged  
along and about 1935, I think it was, I eventually was  
able to work by this time and I went into the Women's  
College Hospital to their clinic, and Dr. Diack examined  
me. Well, she had me on the table and I could see  
this lump and I was more surprised than anybody. I could  
not see it sticking out of my body. I was quite  
surprised when I saw this lump sticking out of my  
right side. I could put my whole hand over it and she  
told me that was a fibroid tumour. I also drew her  
attention to another large lump in my left side. It





was just within the hip bone, and I could tell from all my experience with mastitis, and cystic masses and tumours that this was a different type of growth al- together. It was very hard and solidly over in against the hip bone. I asked her particularly about it and she turned her head away, and just said "well, of course it will have to come out, too." She didn't tell me that it was but I knew.

Then again I felt that an operation was not any good for me. They would have taken off both my breasts and then I would have to have most of my insides removed to get rid of these huge lumps which were there by this time. I might say that every month I had such a Haemorrhage that I simply had to go to bed, and my colour was just a muddy grey colour. My eyes just looked like stones, and I simply hadn't any life in me. I couldn't walk and by this time I was lying on the chesterfield or else on the bed most of the time. I didn't know just what was ahead of me, but some one told me about Miss Caisse. This was in March, 1937. I went up there without any further diagnosis or written letter from the doctor but the nurse explained to me she had to have a written diagnosis for her records. She told me to come back, and she would have a doctor there who would examine me. It was Dr. McInnis of Timmins who was there and he examined me. It was terribly painful. However, I had him thoroughly examine me, and he said that my condition was such that I was simply full of cancer, and that it was useless for the nurse to treat

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as because I would not last long anyway. If he had examined my breast he would have found up at the top here quite a well developed cancer. I know it was now because it was quite a different type of growth from the tumours, and from the cystic mass and the mastitis which I had suffered from for years. So I took my treatment from Miss Caisse and right away I noticed a wonderful change. I felt more steady and I slept better and I ate better, and altogether I have had about 65 treatments from the nurse. Shortly after I started with her I was able to have temporary work and I might say I never have been inconvenienced by the treatments. Once or twice I had rather uncomfortable reactions, but I never have had to stay home from work on account of them.

Q. You are working now? A. Yes. All this time at the montly periods there were fleshy pieces of stuff came away from me. There were three different types of stuff came away. One I could describe was just something like tapioca when it is cooked. There was more than a handful of it would come away at a time. Another thing I have seen is stuff which just looks like liver, and I have seen pieces of it as long and as thick as one of my fingers with little things on it that reminded you of a big caterpillar that looked as if it had gone through my organs. That came away and then I have seen, too, but not so much, little fleshy pieces like rotten flesh that have come away. Now, there is still a

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little of both of these lumps in my body. If I were examined you would find on the right side just a very small lump. It is about the size of a hen's egg, but it is softer than it used to be, and in the left side there is still some of this hard growth, but it is pretty nearly all gone.

Q. You figure you are cured now? A. Well, pretty nearly. I will just need a few more treatments and I shall be alright after nearly 30 years of ill health.

COMMISSIONER YOUNG: Q. When Dr. McInnis examined you where did he find the cancer, do you know?

A. In my uterus and in the rectum. He said it was all full of growth.

COMMISSIONER VALIN: Q. What about the breast? Have you still got lumps in the breast? A. No. they are completely cleared up. I may say I didn't notice this one at the top of this breast until I had a few treatments from the nurse, and then I felt that peculiar pain which I have come to recognize as the cancer pain, just like a little sharp needle. I felt it in here and my heart nearly stood on end. I thought "I have got another one". and it was in the top of my breast and it was just about as big as the top of my knuckle, and just as hard and a different type of growth from the one I had in here when it was a tumour. After a few treatments from the nurse that disappeared. The breasts are quite clear now. When I first started with the nurse I looked as if

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I were pregnant, my body was so full of it, and it had pushed everything else out of its position, and now I think anyone would agree my figure just looks about normal. I feel as if it is normal.

MR. MURPHY: Anything else?

COMMISSIONER DEADMAN: Q. What about the monthly periods now? Are they normal? A. Not quite.

There are still some pieces coming away but they are very little and they really do not inconvenience me at all.

MR. MURPHY: Alright, thank you.

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COMMISSIONER CALLAHAN: Q. Where do you live?

A. Peterborough.

COMMISSIONER YOUNG: He was seen at Bracebridge?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.

COMMISSIONER YOUNG: Clinical diagnosis, cancer of the prostate.

THE CHAIRMAN; Page 44 of the evidence.

BY MR. MURPHY: Q. Mr. Long, where do you live?

A. Peterborough.

Q. And what was your trouble originally and when did you find out about it? A. Well, after coming back from the War I joined the Prince of Wales Dragoons. I was regimental quarter -master sergeant, and I was in the mess one night and having a bottle of beer after we got through drill. We were having a game of cards and I went to the lavatory, and when I went to

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