other State, and health laws in advance of public sentiment. Our object has been to set forth the reasons for the feeling of anxiety referred to in the beginning.

When the political revolution of last fall occurred, and a new element came into power, our fears were naturally increased. But they proved to be entirely groundless. It was soon developed that our laws had many and powerful friends in each of the three parties represented. Among these many friends we feel that it would not be making any invidious comparison to particularly mention our County Superintendent of Tyrrell, Dr. Ab. Alexander, who was the representative from that county, and who, as chairman of the Committee on Public Health of the House, proved indeed a faithful sentinel upon the watch-tower. Quite a number of bills inimical to our medical and health laws were introduced, but if we were not misinformed only one—a special act authorizing two men to register who had failed on their examination for license—passed, and that so amended as to permit their registration as soon as they obtained license—a privilege they possessed before the Legislature met.

The occurrences which were specially gratifying and reassuring as showing the state of public sentiment in favor of our laws, were these:

A bill was introduced requiring our Board of Medical Examiners to issue license to any one presenting a license from any other State. To those not familiar with the fact that the States with whom we would be willing to reciprocate in this matter could be counted on the fingers of one hand and leave digits unused, this was a very fair sounding bill. It was withdrawn from the Committee on Public Health and referred to the Judiciary Committee, which was composed of not lawyers only, but farmers and men following other vocations. When it came up, we were told by a member of the committee, it was reported adversely, and that, too, by a very large majority. And he added that the Populist members were more outspoken in their opposition to any change whatever in our medical license law than any others. The significance of this lies in the fact that those belonging to the People's party were in large part farmers themselves, and represented the most conservative element in every population, the element that is always most difficult to induce to take hold of any new thing.

Again, a bill to repeal the act relating to the Board of Health was introduced by the most prominent farmer in either House, himself a member of the majority, and the same committee promptly recommended that "this bill do *not* pass." Now while the leading men in the Legislature had had their attention called to the inadvisability of having our medical and health laws