

the corps efficiently. Yet nothing whatever has been done, even when so small an outlay would so thoroughly equip a corps.

There are many other points of great interest, such as dress, rank (relative or substantive), title, etc., which are of vital importance, and to these points we do not wish at the present to refer. We will be glad to have an expression of opinion from the medical officers of the service on any point appertaining to the organization of the Medical Department.

A number of questions will undoubtedly arise in organizing the medical department to which the Director-General will have to give answers, and a few of them can be enumerated here.

Are two surgeons necessary to a regiment?

Should the formation of ambulance corps in the regiments be encouraged and placed on a pay footing?

Should ambulance corps, now existing as regimental accessories, be recognized or disbanded? Should army medical corps be organized?

How should army medical corps be officered?

Should the ambulance corps in the different districts be encouraged, paid, and given proper drill at the district camps by forming field hospital corps there and placing the same in their charge?

We are glad to know that the present Government is alive to the needs of the medical men, as evidenced by the above appointment. We sincerely hope that no change will be made until the views of the medical officers are obtained. Our columns are open for expressions of opinion, and these should be freely given, so that we may not be placed in the unenviable position of the medical corps in the Imperial service.

ISOLATION OF CONSUMPTIVES.

THE best place for a patient with tuberculosis is a well-ordered sanitarium with healthy and cheerful surroundings. This fact is now fairly well appreciated by the public as well as the profession. Dr. Bryce, the secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, in his last report, referred to the prevalence of the disease throughout Ontario and the high rate of mortality therefrom, and expressed the opinion that there should be a sanitarium for every county.

We are glad to know that the trustees of the National Sanatorium Association are well pleased with the prospects for the institution at Gravenhurst. We quote the following from the *Mail and*