

## Correspondence.

### POST-GRADUATE WORK IN TORONTO.

To the Editor of the CANADIAN PRACTITIONER AND REVIEW :

SIR,—The importance of my proposition is beyond question that the requirements of the medical profession, of this great Province in particular, and in a wider sense of the Dominion west of Montreal, call for an efficient medical polyclinic at Toronto. The large urban and directly contributory neighboring population, and the urban hospitals and other public charities, afford the necessary clinical material for the purpose. The post-graduate courses being conducted in summer, after the close of the undergraduate courses in the medical colleges, there would be no interference between post-graduate and undergraduate interests and requirements. The capital city has other desirable advantages for a polyclinic centre, which being obvious, I will not here particularize.

In corroboration of the assertion in my recent correspondence, that no visible practical attempt has been made to furnish provision for polyclinic or post-graduate study in medicine at Toronto, I adduce the following evidence :

1. At the close of an article over his own signature in the July number of your periodical, Dr. Adam H. Wright, a leading professor in the Toronto Medical College, an unimpeachable authority, uses the following language : " We have been talking for some years about post-graduate courses. We have plenty of teaching ability and a fair amount of clinical material at our disposal. How would it do to stop talking and go to work ! " This remark is capable of but one meaning. Although they had for use satisfactory teaching ability and clinical material, Dr. Wright and his colleagues for years talked about post-graduate courses of instruction, but had actually done nothing. *Vox et præterea nihil.*

2. The entire absence of information in the published annual announcements of the Toronto Medical Colleges, concerning post-graduate courses in their curriculum, when and where to be given, and what features comprising. Such information, in fact, as would and should be afforded of actual *bona fide* post-graduate courses, and which appears in the annual announcements of medical institutions elsewhere, that provide genuine post-graduate courses of training.

3. Personal interviews with recent Toronto medical graduates,