

No other person can regret so keenly as I do the publication of statements such as those referred to above.

Yours very truly,  
B. E. McKENZIE.

Toronto, May 18th, 1892.

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To the Editor of the CANADA LANCET.

SIR,—I have been favored with a communication from Mr. Pyne, the Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario, threatening to "strike my name off the roll," unless I immediately paid the annual subscriptions due to the College. Now, I would willingly pay up if I saw any chance of getting value received. I submit that we Canadian graduates practicing in England, have a very substantial grievance against the College authorities. It is this:—Why is not some effort made to procure the registration of the diploma in England? By the last Medical Act (1889), the British Medical Council were empowered by Parliament, with the sanction of the Privy Council, to establish in the British Medical Registrar what it was proposed to call the "Colonial List," in order that respectable Colonial degrees might register, but up to the present nothing has been done in that direction. I maintain that the M. C. P. & S., Ontario, is such a diploma, and worthy of such recognition, for this reason, that the College requires a test in both primary and final subjects; and the candidate having usually taken his degree at one of the Universities, has reviewed again the subjects of the whole medical curriculum, and is therefore likely to be fairly well up. Now, I imagine that a little judicious pressure on the part of the Colonial authorities, with the British Medical Council, would convince them of the reasonableness of our claim. It does seem a disgraceful anomaly that a graduate of one of the largest Universities, of one of the most extensive and important British possessions, and M. C. P. & S., Ontario as well, should have to play second fiddle here, to a Brussels M.D. who is allowed to register it. Let your College do its duty, and extend its sheltering arm to its members abroad; let it be a privilege as well as an honor to remain a member; this is the best way to obviate the necessity of your Registrar touting for subs.

Yours,

DOUBLY QUALIFIED IN ENGLAND AND CANADA.  
London, Eng., March 26th, 1892.

## TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL.

### ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR YEAR 1891.

The following notice appeared in the May number of the *Buffalo Medical and Surgical Journal*—

"The Toronto General Hospital has lately issued its annual report for the year ending September 30th, 1891. It is a handsome brochure of 107 pages, illustrated with lithographs and woodcuts of the hospital buildings as they formerly appeared, and as they now look with the improvements recently made. Besides the ordinary record of cases treated and their several classifications, there are divisions of the report relating to medical education, history of the hospital, description of the hospital buildings, and a roster of the trustees from 1853 to the present. The ambulance service is given in detail with illustrations, and, finally, the annual report of the training school for nurses is added. Taken all together, this is one of the most complete and useful hospital reports that we have seen, and reflects much credit upon all concerned in that institution, and especially upon the medical superintendent, Dr. Chas. O'Reilly, who has held the position for more than sixteen years.

"It seems to us that this is the proper way to govern a hospital, in order that its patients may receive the full benefit of the most skilful attention. A medical superintendent who is fitted for the work will be obeyed and respected, when others will not, and thus insure perfect subordination in all the various departments."

We are glad to endorse the above, and are pleased that our brethren across the line take so active an interest in our institution. The report contains very full and valuable statistical tables, and reflects great credit upon Dr. O'Reilly, the able and efficient superintendent.

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GOLDEN RULES OF SURGICAL PRACTICE.—*Continued.*—(*Times and Reg.*) :—

BURNS.—Do not neglect opium for the shock of burns in children, but use it cautiously; afterwards do not stint fresh air, food or warmth.

Never give a hypodermic in burns of children; you cannot recall it. Give it by the mouth,