

charged with good, and 15 with improved vision, and 2 left. Of the 4th class 43 were discharged with good, and 58 with improved vision. Five left, and in one case the result was unknown. Of the 209 eye patients, therefore, 96 were discharged with good sight (cured), and 77 with improved sight; but it should be remarked that the number of cured would undoubtedly have been much larger had not many discontinued treatment too soon from their anxiety to resume work and again earn a livelihood." While we know that diseases of the eye and ear may be, and often are, treated successfully by the general practitioner in private practice and at general hospitals, we fully endorse the following: "That diseases of the eye and ear are more likely to be successfully treated at institutions especially designed for and adapted to this treatment, than at general hospitals."

The report goes on to show that the patients come from different sections of the Province as well as from abroad, and that many of them are quite poor. Several municipal councils had assisted persons from their individual sections: and the House of Industry and the House of Providence had kindly accommodated some. Regret is expressed that there is not an Ophthalmic Hospital for Ontario: "for to this fact must mainly be attributed the rapidly increasing number of blind paupers." Hitherto the dispensary has been mainly sustained by contributions from the charitable of Toronto. The board of directors, consisting of some leading men of Toronto, have exhibited a laudable zeal in securing the interests of the Institution. The great result is, however, mainly due to the untiring energy of Drs. Rosebrugh and Reeve, who have superintended the operations and daily given their attention to the dispensary.

It is with much satisfaction that we conclude our notice of this institution by stating that the Government of Ontario has responded to the request of the directors by granting \$1000 for its sustenance.

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#### THE DENTAL PROFESSION OF ONTARIO.

We have been no indifferent spectators of the praiseworthy efforts of the dentists of Ontario to place themselves in an elevated and dignified position. Their labours, we believe, have been crowned with a great degree of success. After procuring an Act of Incorporation with a Board of Examiners, they have proceeded to establish a Dental College in Toronto with an efficient staff of teachers. We are pleased also to see the healthy condition of the *Dental Journal*, published at Hamilton, under the editorship of W. G. Beers of Montreal, and C. S. Chithenden of Hamilton. We wish the journal every success, and commend the zeal for self-advancement manifested by the dental body.