

time necessary for extensive Clinical work ; and great facilities consequently are not demanded and could not be utilized.

17. But it is to be observed that in some of the endowed Universities and Colleges of the States a wholly different condition obtains, since some students there have largely increased and most valuable opportunities by means of Hospital residence and postgraduate work.

18. And probably in Pennsylvania, and certainly in Harvard Medical School, the Clinical instruction is very much more efficient than generally prevails.

In Harvard School the teaching in Clinical Medicine and Surgery is given in the wards of the Massachusetts General Hospital, and of the Boston City Hospital, by numerous Professors, Assistant and Associate Professors, Instructors and Assistants, ten of whom go daily around the wards of the General Hospital with the students, bringing the latter into direct contact with the patients, and giving good opportunity for acquiring practical knowledge.

One-half of each year's class of students goes around the wards daily for two years, each student thus getting bedside instruction three times a week for an eight months' session, making about 100 Clinics in each year in General Medicine and Surgery exclusive of the specialties.

19. So far as the above Hospital staffs are concerned, they are composed from Harvard Medical School Faculty as follows :—

	No. of INPATIENTS. 1890.	PHYSICIANS.		SURGEONS.	
		Professors.	Assistants.	Professors.	Assistants.
MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL .....	3,381	3	1	3	3
		(For Out-patients.)			
			(?)		(2)
BOSTON CITY .....	6,853	2	2	1	5
TOTALS .....		5	3 (?)	4	10

These staffs serve throughout the whole year.

20. It will be observed, therefore, that the principles of Assistants and of continuous service, hereafter pressed, seem in this case to be applied.

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

21. Turning, however, to Great Britain, our facilities do not compare favourably with those of any of the great Hospitals connected with Medical Schools.

22. It is believed that in all these, the organization differs materially from that in Toronto. Omitting for the moment any questions connected with the House or Resident staff or other subordinates, and confining ourselves to the visiting Physicians and Surgeons, the general rule is to appoint on the visiting staff not only Chiefs, but also Assistants ; and to keep on duty both Chiefs and Assistants for the whole year, with the exception of the months of July and August, when the Chiefs are relieved.

23. The Assistants, besides taking independent charge of the outdoor patients, as does the outdoor staff in Toronto, also take charge of the indoor patients during the summer months, and also, with the consent and on the responsibility of the Chiefs, during any occasional absences of the latter. They further with the like consent and responsibility, attend the cases of such patients as they may send into the wards of the Chiefs, and engage in Clinical instruction on some of the cases under the care of Chiefs. This system gives to the patient the benefit of continuous attention by the same Physician, and of