

8. The Red Cross Society proposes to keep a register of nurses who would be willing to serve in time of war. Their names might be noted by the Militia Department.

9. A knowledge of the first aid to the sick and injured might be diffused by the medical officers, by means of lectures, under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Association among the officers and men of the force.

These are some of the suggestions I desire to make. Some will meet with approval and some with dissent. They are offered with my most earnest wish for the welfare of the soldiers and surgeons of my beloved native land.—Canadian Practitioner.

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### EDITORIAL.

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The endemic of diphtheria in the General Hospital is to be regretted, but all institutions of a similar character are liable to contract contagious influences of various kinds, which have to be dealt with in the manner which the professional staff of the Winnipeg General Hospital have recommended. If the newspaper reports speak truly it is evident that the medical staff of the hospital are somewhat ignored in its management. This should not be. The professional staff should be as such, ex-officio members authorized to attend all Directors' meetings, and in all matters pertaining to their work should have a voice. It must be remembered that the work of the hospital could go on quite as well under a capable head, minus a board of directors. But without a medical attending staff the doors would close. One representative on the board for the whole medical and surgical staff of a Hospital with the capacity which the Winnipeg General Hospital will shortly afford, is entirely inadequate.

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The Winnipeg Street Railway Co. is keeping up its record. A monthly victim is duly offered up. Will this content them, or will

they endeavor still further to deplete Winnipeg's population.

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### A CARD.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a twenty-five cent bottle of Dr. Willis' English Pills, if, after using three-fourths of contents of bottle, they do not relieve Constipation and Headache. We also warrant that four bottles will permanently cure the most obstinate case of Constipation. Satisfaction or no pay when Willis' English Pills are used. W. R. Inman & Co., Central Drug Hall, Winnipeg, Man.; Dixon's Pharmacy, 352 Main St., Winnipeg, Man.; W. R. Austin, chemist, 423 Portage avenue, Winnipeg, Man.; Poyntz & Co., chemists, 506 Main street, Winnipeg, Man.; C. M. Eddington, chemist, 291 Market street, Winnipeg, Man.; F. P. Scale, chemist, Fort Rouge, Winnipeg, Man.

We cut the above paragraph from a daily paper and give it a free ad. It requires no comment. Drs. are multiplying, and find it each year harder to live. Chemists are also multiplying and growing fat on their calling. The time must come, and that shortly when the general practitioner will have to dispense his own medicine. With chemists putting forward the monstrous assertion that they are entitled to keep the prescriptions they compound, and are paid for. A contention as bare faced as it is illegal, and yet, strange to say generally allowed, with acts such as are given above it behooves the medical profession to look to themselves, or the wholesale chemist with his absolute cure for any and every ailment under the sun, and the retail chemist with the knowledge gained by the pamphlets accompanying these wonderful chemical products, will in time wipe the Drs. out and are already working woeful havoc with their incomes. The remedy is dispense your own medicine, as in England, Scotland, Wales and Eastern Canada. The extra cost will be amply repaid you in knowing that your patient gets what you ordered and the patient will not be in terror of receiving a medicine bill, to