

presume, will be thoroughly established in our Dominion Service in the near future.

In 1883 General and Field Hospitals and Bearer Companies were established by Lord Morley, and in 1884 the officers of the Medical Department and the Army Hospital Corps were termed the Medical Staff Corps.

There is also the British Red Cross Society, an excellent organization which has for years past done great service in the wars in South Africa and other campaigns. This Society has lately permitted a branch to be established in Canada, which, no doubt, would be of great assistance to us in the event of any war.

A Volunteer Medical Staff Corps was formed in England in 1886, and is instructed by a staff from the Regular Service. There is now in London the Volunteer Ambulance School of Instruction, which is an excellent institution, and open to any medical officers who desire to qualify in ambulance work.

Then, again, there is also in England the Militia Medical Staff Corps, which was organized in 1891; they are trained annually and receive pay. The officers rank from Surgeon-Lieutenant to Surgeon-Major and Non-Coms, to that of Sergeant.

This I may say is a synopsis of the history of hospital and ambulance organization.

To be proficient in their duties, I need not tell you, it is necessary to undergo considerable instruction and training, which in this Corps involves upon me to teach you to the best of my ability and as circumstances from time to time may permit. In the first instance it is necessary for the ambulance man to understand something about the anatomy of the human body, the location of the most important internal organs and blood vessels; this will be taught you by lectures and illustrations on charts. During the present term I propose to instruct you on the anatomical outlines of the human body, the principal organs, the heart, larger blood vessels, and the circulation of the blood, the lungs and a brief description of the nervous system. You will require to know the nature of the principal wounds a soldier is likely