

have often to face heavy deficits and secure from the banks large lines of credit, and they are not going to attach their names to paper for this purpose and not feel confidence in the management. Here the staff must stand aside.

Now, turning to the staff we have this to say. Its members care for the patients placed under their care. Many of these are imbued with a high sense of their responsibility and do their work with great enthusiasm and acquire a high professional standing in which the hospital shares. In no sense is this building up a hospital. The opposite is the real case—the hospital gives these their opportunity.

So far as the Toronto Western Hospital is concerned the staff interfered with the board in an uncalled for manner, and made it necessary for the latter to apply for some amendments to the act of incorporation. Had the Editor of the *Canadian Medical Journal* taken the trouble to become acquainted with the facts he would have written differently. If he had done so, he would not have penned these words: "This would inevitably throw the control into few hands, and no surer plan could be devised for drying up the sources of charity." The real fact that it was just the cause the wealthy donors had this influence that they were willing to give more and borrow from time to time as the needs of the hospital required. The trouble is that a number of small donors from among the staff, totalling only a few thousand dollars, sought to control both the professional and the business sides of the hospital's affairs. Those who had given or procured all the balance could not agree to this position. It is a good rule to be sure of one's facts before going into print.

VACCINATION FOR TYPHOID FEVER.

Sir William Boog Leishman, K.C.M.G., F.R.S., Professor of Pathology in the Army Medical College of London, paid a visit to Toronto a few weeks ago. His visit was looked forward to with expectation, when it came it proved a genuine pleasure, and when he left our midst he both took and left pleasant memories.

His address before the Toronto Academy of Medicine was enjoyed by all who had the good fortune to hear it. He took up the subject of inoculation for Typhoid Fever. He mentioned the labours of Sir A. Wright and himself in their search for some means of mitigating the serious results arising from this disease in the army. He pointed out that typhoid fever had done more damage to the British Army during the South African War than that had the bullets of the enemy.

He went on to show that, while the conditions were very unfavour-