

comparison cannot be carried too far. Yet, nevertheless, it is unquestionably true that the members of the medical profession are often imposed upon, and the imposition is assuming alarming proportions in the large cities of Canada and the United States, as well as in England and on the Continent. Something must be done and done wisely, to lessen this growing evil without letting the deserving suffer, and one way is to remove private wards altogether from public hospitals, and leave to private enterprise the care of those who can afford to pay for and should pay for private wards. When it becomes known that only the poor go to the public hospital, then pride alone will largely diminish the numbers applying for free treatment in public hospitals.

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