

this country, as well as to the young men who study therein, and in point of fact it is a slight upon the Dominion itself.

I have written to the Government urging them to take action in this matter without delay, and I write this letter to you with the view that you should bring it before the authorities of the University of McGill College, or in any other way that you think most likely to attain the object I have in view, and that is a full and perfect recognition of our own medical men as being equal to any others.

Yours, very truly,

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FOREIGN MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS IN FRANCE.

Some discussion has arisen in English and other journals in respect to a Bill which was introduced before the Chamber of Deputies, France, by M. Marvais, and which provides that a foreigner can only be authorized to practice medicine or surgery on the territory of the Republic after having passed the test examinations prescribed by French law. And that no one in the practice of the medical profession in France can adopt the title of Doctor, unless he has obtained that title before a French Faculty. The law of France bearing on foreign medical practitioners has hitherto given the power to the Minister of Public Instruction to admit the practitioner on the strength of his foreign diploma to exercise his calling in any one department of France, without requiring him to submit to examination, or the applicant can submit to examination for the diploma of *Officier de Santé* without further study, which is equivalent to a surgeon's diploma, and by which he can practice his profession in a particular locality, but which does not give him legal authority to practice in every portion of the French Republic. It has been stated that the bill, as introduced by M. Marvais, would prevent, absolutely, all foreign physicians or surgeons visiting French territory in such capacity, and that physicians and surgeons of eminence would be unable to visit patients sent by them to