

done their allotted work "in first-class style." Yet outside this post of greatest danger he is not known. Thanks to our good friend, Dr. Roddick, the Canadian Medical Council will in time remedy this grievance, at least we hope so; but that will be "when this cruel war is over" and just a little too late. Now, sir, what I would like to know is if something cannot be done. Now, cannot strong representation be made to secure our rights just now, or are we going to sit still and allow the whole field to be monopolized? England has sent her consultant staff and that at immense expense. She has filled the ranks with her civilian surgeons. Is there no chance at all for Canadians who have had years of practical experience, and who have at least done camp duty? If an effort were made, even at this eleventh hour, I think something might be done. I read your article on "Surgery in Connection with the Canadian Contingents," and smiled a great big open smile at the idea of Dr. Grasett being "too old for service." I thought of Dr. MacCormac and his confreres, of Buller, Roberts, Kitchener, and as I did so I wondered if the person who gave this as an objection thought we were downright fools or only demented a bit—and I smiled again. I am, sir, yours truly,

P. PALMER BURROWS.

LINDSAY, March 4th, 1900.

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## ONTARIO MEDICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

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*To the Editor of the CANADIAN PRACTITIONER AND REVIEW :*

DEAR SIR,—A short time ago, by request of the Board of Directors of the Ontario Medical Library Association, I mailed a circular letter to a large number of physicians in this city and throughout the Province, asking if they approved of application being made to the Legislature for an annual grant to the Library Association, to enable them to "purchase, circulate, and preserve the latest medical works." In answer to this letter over a thousand practitioners have appended their signatures, expressing their approval of the petition. A large number have asked for information in reference to the library, which time will not permit me to give by personal letter. If you will kindly grant me space in your journal I will endeavor to give the profession as much information upon library matters as possible in a short letter. I hope that those who wrote me will not consider me discourteous for not replying to their individual letters.

In April, 1887, at the regular meeting of the Toronto Medical Society, a committee consisting of the late Dr. Graham,