## ADMISSION OF PATIENTS TO HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE.

We would like to call the attention of the Medical Profession throughout the Province to the form of procedure necessary for a patient's admission to the Hospitals, as frequently patients are brought to the Institution without the proper forms having been made out. impression seems to be abroad that it is only necessary to copy out the form of certificate and schedule as mentioned in the Statute, and, as soon as they are filled up, send the patient into the Hospital, no notification whatever being given to the Superintendent, so that he has no knowledge of the case until the patient is brought in to the Hospital. You can easily understand that this is often very inconvenient, for the simple reason that there may not be a vacant bed in the Institution. We are always anxious to facilitate the admission of cases to the Institution, when we have accommodation.

The simple procedure in each case is to telegraph or write to the Superintendent of the Hospital in whose district you are residing, asking for papers of admission, giving the name of the patient and stating sufficient particulars to indicate the urgency of the case. The necessary papers will then be forwarded to you by the next mail.

The Province of Ontario is divided into six Hospital districts, as there are only six of these Hospitals which admit patients direct from their homes:—

No. 1, or the London District, embraces the Counties of Essex, Kent, Elgin, Lambton, Huron, Middlesex, Bruce, Oxford and Perth.

No. 2, or the Hamilton District, embraces the Counties of Halton, Wentworth, Welland, Lincoln, Haldimand, Norfolk, Brant, Wellington, Dufferin and Grey.

No. 3, or Mimico District, embraces the Counties of Peel, Simcoe, Ontario, Victoria, Peterborough, and the