

A CANADIAN COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

We have already expressed our view freely on the good the American College of Surgeons, recently established, may do for the surgical division of the healing art. It has been suggested that there should be a Canadian college of a similar character. This may, and no doubt will come, but it must be borne in mind that the number who follow surgery exclusively in this country, up to the present, has not been great. While we feel that this country should proclaim its individuality as often as it can, we feel, with our contemporary, the *Canadian Practitioner and Review*, that the best results will come from the present arrangement for some years.

FULL TIME PROFESSORS OF MEDICINE.

To Johns Hopkins Medical College belongs the honor of introducing this plan. The Education Board has secured the sum of \$1,500,000 as an endowment fund for certain chairs in medicine. The chiefs of various services will be required to devote their entire time to their hospital patients, their research work, and their teaching. This will compel them to give up private practice in any form. Drs. Halstead, Barker and Gowland are affected by this change, and are thoroughly in sympathy with it. We feel that this is a great step onward, and one that will soon be followed by other great universities.

ALBERTA MEDICAL AFFAIRS.

The Medical Council of Alberta and the University of that Province have agreed upon a plan whereby the university names the subjects and conducts the examinations for a license to practise. Any person holding a qualification from another Province is given an interim certificate, and if he fails he is given another opportunity to pass his examination. The university this year is giving the first-year course, and will establish a five years' course of study. Appointments will be made to the various departments, and laboratories put in operation and equipped at the earliest moment so as to be ready for next year's work. This will be one more medical college in Canada and we wish it every success.
