

Keratomyxis.....	6
Opening abscess.....	1
Paracentesis cornæ.....	8
Peritomy.....	3
Tenotomy.....	1
Total.....	42

We quite agree with the surgeons that "it is a fact greatly to be deprecated, that there is not an Ophthalmic Hospital in Canada, for to this fact must we mainly attribute the rapidly increasing numbers of our blind, of whom, it is believed there are 600 in Ontario, many of whom are paupers,—pensioners on the public bounty. We must not forget, too, that when a father in poor circumstances loses his sight, want and misery are almost certain upon his family also."

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DURING the last few months the newspapers have had a plethora of medical correspondents, and we must certainly say, that the articles which have appeared do not reflect much credit upon those members of the profession who took part in the discussion. Discussions of a medical character in the public press, very seldom does any good, and is very often productive of evil, it engenders in the minds of the ignorant very unsettled notions, as to the nature of medical science, and even the educated are perfectly unable to judge as to the real merits of the question under discussion. How absurd it is to suppose that persons who are perfectly ignorant of everything relating to medical science, and have nothing but their limited individual experience to guide them in any opinions they may come to, should be able to decide upon scientific questions. If the gentlemen who have been writing wish to get information, or to convert or be converted, in medical matters, the proper place is through the columns of the Medical Journals, and we shall be most happy to insert anything in medical matters which shall be worthy of publication.

THE Toronto School of Medicine commenced its 27th session, on the 6th of October, with very flattering prospects of success, under the new arrangements. The lectures by Drs. Beaumont and Barrett have proved very acceptable to the students; and the class, up to the present, is quite equal in num-

bers to the average of former years. This school is likely to suffer less by the operations of the Medical Bill than most other Canadian Schools, from the fact that for several years, nearly all its students have been either matriculates of the Toronto University or prepared to matriculate there. From the well known energy and ability of the men connected with this school, we predict for it a most successful future.

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CORRECTION.—In "OBSERVER's" article, on page 27, line 8, for "2,500," read 5,200; same page, last line, first column, for "argument," read arguments.

Correspondence.

THE MEDICAL ACT—WILL IT ELEVATE THE PROFESSION?

To the Editor of the Dominion Medical Journal.

DEAR SIR,—It is pretty clearly established, that the British Medical Council, as well as the voice of the profession in Great Britain, are decidedly in favour of one central examining body, and if they feel so strongly the need, where they have so many able educational institutions of high standing, and reputation, and a Medical Council with such pres-