externe patients received advice and treatment, while in the Emergency branch there were two hundred accident cases.

Announcement.—In announcing his retirement as Medical Superintendent of the Alma Springs Sanitarium, Alma, Mich., and return to his former home, Chicago, Dr. George F. Butler desires to convey his assurance of personal interest in his former clients. His return to Chicago does not mean withdrawal from the practice of medicine. On the contrary, Dr. Butler will limit his business to medical work exclusively, and has arranged excellent facilities for the care and proper treatment of nervous and chronic invalids in the city and from out of town. City office, 1210 Columbus Memorial Building; residence, 5711 Washington Avenue, Chicago.

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## THE VANCOUVER MEETING OF THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

To the Editor of Dominion Medical Monthly:

DEAR SIR,—With your permission I will make a few observations on your strictures on the profession of Toronto in the editorial in the current number of your journal on the foregoing subject.

That so few were able to attend the meeting at Vancouver is unfortunate for the Toronto profession, as well as for the Association. One cause, at least, of the small attendance is not far to seek. At the time of the visit of the President last year he was informed that several of the Toronto physicians would be unable to go if the meeting was held later than the middle of August, as they had engagements at home for September 1st. Notwithstanding that, the meeting was placed in the last week of August, and apparently the time was practically fixed before the Toronto members were consulted. In view of such ignoring of their convenience, as well as of themselves, is it a matter of surprise, or for censure, that they in their turn should ignore this meeting of the Association? If the records of the meetings of the Association for many years back are examined, it will, I think, be found that Toronto has been second to none either in the matter of attendance or of work done. It is questionable