

Correspondence.

HARVARD COMMISSION.

To the Editor of DOMINION MEDICAL MONTHLY :

DEAR SIR:—I was attracted by the following report of the "Harvard Cancer Commission," which appeared in the February number of your journal: "The Harvard Cancer Commission, it is understood, will report shortly that cancer is neither hereditary nor contagious, and that it is not of parasitic origin. The report will also state that excision is the only cure except in the case of small superficial growths, which may be cured by radiotherapy."

I have closely studied the subject of Cancer for the past twelve years, and for twelve years before that I had successfully treated many cases.

About ten years ago, I advanced the idea that cancer is infectious and gave verifying data. I believe that cancer is not only infectious but also hereditary, and I know that most, if not all, cancers can be cured with or without the knife.

I will be interested to see the report of the Commission and to learn how they have arrived at the above conclusion. If they say cancer cannot be cured, they issue a challenge which will doubtless be taken up by many physicians who are successfully treating these cases by various methods.

When the internal organs have become seriously involved and general sepsis prevails, the accredited method of treatment offers little, but when the disease is confined to external parts of the body it can usually be successfully removed.

I consider that these manifestations are secondary and not primary effects of the disease, and is usually held. Preventive measures are effective in these cases as they are known to be in many other diseases.

It is evident to every one that as long as the blood remains healthy, no disease can exist. Our only hope in successfully treating cancer is to restore or re-establish a normal condition of the blood.

It is now an established fact that there are many ways of so thoroughly oxidizing the blood that the disease engendering matter within it is rendered innoxious and eliminated.

Allowing that the local manifestations of cancer are always secondary, does it not look reasonable that better results will be secured by coupling local treatment with such measures as will