

QUEBEC LUNATIC ASYLUM.

TO THE HONORABLE GÉDÉON OUIMET

Premier of the Province of Quebec.

SIR,

The medical statement, we have the honor to submit to you, exceptionally covers a period of eighteen months.

Our intention, in presenting this Report, at the present date, is that we may for the future be in a position to conform to the fiscal year ending on the 30th June.

Before entering upon the medical branch of this Report which is destined to form a new series, we deem it useful to glance at the past of our institution, show what were its beginnings and indicate the progressive strides which have determined its actual condition. This brief retrospect will contain certain details, with which, it is true, you are already conversant, but our desire is to afford the fullest possible information to the public, and especially to those families, who already include one of their number amongst our patients, or who, by a stroke of misfortune, may be hereafter under the painful necessity of applying for the admission of one of their members into this institution.