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### COMMENT FROM MONTH TO MONTH.

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An evening paper in Toronto published a short time ago the salaries of those practitioners employed in the Provincial hospital service of Ontario. Neither the amounts paid to the superintendents nor to their assistants are excessively large, although in many instances the present Government has seen fit to add to the former salaries. The question is: What inducement is there to a young man in medicine in this Province to enter the service of the Provincial hospitals for those of unsound mind, when the emolument to an assistant never, perhaps, goes beyond \$1,500 per annum; when there is practically nothing to spur him to qualify for an expert alienist; when he is constantly and regularly passed by when promotion is in sight for a politician, fresh from the stump or party caucus? Once a professor in one of our medical colleges (he was not a physiologist) said it requires a good deal of nerve for a man to accept a position as examiner for physiology, who had not read any physiology for twenty years. It surely requires more for a politician to accept a position over men who have given fifteen or twenty years in con-