

The Western Ophthalmological, Otological, Laryngological and Rhinological Association meets in St. Louis, Mo., the second Thursday and Friday of April, 1897. Physicians desiring to read papers are invited to send Subjects to the Secretary at once. The railroads will give one and one-third fare on the certificate plan. Programmes will be mailed Feb. 1, 1897. The profession are cordially invited to attend. Hal Foster, Secretary, Kansas City, Mo.

The *Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease* announces the following arrangement of the staff for 1897: Editors, Drs. Charles L. Dana, F. X. Dercum, Philip Coombs Knapp, Charles K. Mills, James J. Putnam, W. Allen Starr; Associate Editors, Drs. Philip Merowitz, Wm. G. Spiller; Managing Editor, Dr. Charles Henry Brown, 25 West 45th Street, New York, to whom address all editorial and business communications.

The Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, Dr. H. A. Hare, for the Semi-Centennial meeting of the American Medical Association to be held in Philadelphia June 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 1897, acting under the instructions of the General Committee of Arrangements, desires to extend a cordial invitation to such members of the Canadian Medical Association as may be in attendance upon the meeting in Canada to attend and take part in this meeting of the American Medical Association.

The following has been sent to us from New York showing the deadly perils which beset life across the border:

SELF-PROTECTION IN BOSTON.—A man of genteel breeding and intellectual force told us the other day that he wears sewed to his undershirt a card with this inscription "My appendix has been cut out." And he gave this reason for his action: "You see, these are the palmy knifing days of the surgeon. If a man falls in a fit or faints, or is disguised mentally by a drug, and is carried consequently to a hospital, the surgeon operates on him for appendicitis without delay."—*From the Boston Journal.*

NEW BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED AND NOTED.

Ophthalmic Operations as Practiced on Animals Eyes. By Clarence A. Veasey, A.M., M.D., Philadelphia: The Edwards & Docker Co.

The Practice of Medicine. By James Tyson, M.D., Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co.

A Plea for Conservative Oral Surgery, with Practical Illustrations. By G. Lenox Curtis, M.D. Reprint from the N. Y. Medical Journal.