Proceedings of Dental Societies

DENTAL ASSOCIATION OF THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

In accordance with the amended Act of Incorporation the meeting for the election of a new Board of Examiners was held in Montreal on the first Wednesday of September. The meeting was much smaller than usual, but, happily, it was a decided improvement upon "the Dreyfus affair" of last year. Dr. Nolin, President of the Board, was nominated as Chairman, and Dr. Dubeau as Secretary. The meeting was called to order; the minutes of last meeting read and confirmed, and the President delivered a brief address in French and English (see page 405). The report of the Secretary had been printed and supplied to the members several weeks previously, and without further delay it was adopted. Dr. Stevenson submitted the treasurer's report, which was adopted. The income of the year was $2,940.16, the expenditure $2,802.28, leaving a balance on hand of $147.88.

During the year, the following were arrested, and condemned for illegal practice: F. H. Page, Sutton; J. R. Prince, Inverness; T. J. Hogle, St. Joseph de Beauce; A. L'Archevêque, Montreal; J. Dupuis, St. Angèle; A. Rioux, Rimouski. $272.31 was expended for detectives; law costs, $482.25; expenses at Quebec *re* Bill, $206.

"Several Dentists" had issued an unsigned circular attack on the existing Board, but, whoever were the authors, they either displayed Dutch courage, by shooting from behind a rock or were ashamed of their action, and it fell flat. There was a disposition to give the existing Board a fair chance to complete the policy of the repression of illegal practice, several of the members personally assuming some financial responsibility in the matter. The fact is that the legacy of litigation was not one to be coveted, and it was felt that the present Board should have the loyal support of the profession at large.

Several notices of motion to economize expenditure, and to increase the fees for entrance and license were presented. A motion to interpret the words "per sitting" as one calendar day, thereby returning to the old fee for examiners of $5 a day, instead of $10 or $15, according to the number of "sittings," met with some opposition, on the very reasonable ground that it might not be consistent with the Act. It was, therefore, decided to get an official Parliamentary opinion, and to let the suggestion stand as a notice of motion, to be acted on next year. It was pointed out that the