

and the instruments employed were exhibited. The Association was much interested.

Dr. G. E. FENWICK then read a paper upon stone, illustrated by 16 cases of operation. The method employed was the lateral, and every case was successful. The extracted stones were exhibited.

Dr. HINGSTON congratulated Dr. Fenwick upon his admirable success, not having had a single fatal case. It was gratifying to know that in Canada the statistics of this operation would compare with any part of the world, but the success of Dr. Fenwick, achieved through coolness and ability, was not by any means the average.

Dr. FENWICK extolled the lateral operation in Lithotomy, although he had seen it stated in a letter of Dr. Trenholme, published in the Canada Medical Record, that Sir Henry Thompson had stated that he had had 70 successive successful operations on children, which he considered due to the fact that he always used the straight staff.

Dr. MARSDEN thought that the successful result of Dr. Fenwick's operations showed that surgeons in this country could take their position alongside those of any other.

Dr. BOTSFORD expressed the opinion that stone in the bladder was a very rare disease in New Brunswick.

Dr. GRANT also remarked upon the extreme rarity of the disease in the Ottawa district.

Dr. HAMILTON believed that in Nova Scotia the disease was even more rare than it was in New Brunswick. In a practice of thirty-eight years he had never heard of a case.

Dr. FENWICK stated that the majority of his cases were from the City of Montreal.

Dr. GILBERT (Sherbrooke), stated that the disease was an exceedingly rare one in the Eastern Townships.

Dr. HINGSTON read a paper upon *Lithotripsy*.

Dr. MARSDEN did not think the disease was more frequent now than formerly, but that there were more skillful surgeons in the country. In olden times surgeons feared to perform the operation of Lithotomy, and not unfrequently allowed patients to wear themselves out by pain and suffering. Now, as soon as the disease was recognized, operative interference was at once recommended.

Votes of thanks to Drs. Fenwick and Hingston were put and carried.

Dr. HINGSTON observed that Drs. Howard, Fenwick and himself had prepared papers, not so much because of anything special they might contain, but in the hope of setting an example, so that, in coming years, others would imitate them, and bring valuable and interesting matter before the Association.

The following gentlemen were appointed a committee to examine and report upon prizes sent in to compete for the Gold Medal, Drs. David, Howard, Fenwick, Rottot and Peltier, all of Montreal.

The members of the Association resident in St. John were appointed a committee of arrangements for the next meeting.

Votes of thanks were passed to the different Rail-

way and Steamboat Companies, who granted members tickets at reduced rates.

The TREASURER reported a balance on hand of \$22.4, after paying all the expenses of the previous year.

Dr. HINGSTON suggested that the Association should adopt the course taken by the British Medical Association, and get members in future to open the scientific part of the meetings by addresses upon Surgery, Medicine and Midwifery these addresses not to occupy more than half an hour in delivering. If this was made a prominent feature of the Association, he felt certain that it would be productive of very great benefit.

The PRESIDENT said that if they were to be a working body, and desired to accomplish anything, the sooner they began work in earnest the better. They had spent five or six years in the discussion of the Medical Bill which had now been found useless. It would be very well if, for the next meeting in the Maritime Provinces, they had addresses upon a few of the more important departments of medicine. If they could get the co-operation of some of the members of the profession to obtain addresses upon Surgery, Surgical Pathology, Medicine, and Sanitary Science it would be very desirable, and add much to the interest of the proceedings of the Association.

Dr. F. W. CAMPBELL moved, seconded by Dr. G. E. Fenwick, that the following gentlemen be requested to give addresses at the next meeting at St. John, New Brunswick:—Medicine, Dr. R. P. Howard, Montreal; Surgery, Dr. Hingston, Montreal; Midwifery, Dr. Hodden, Toronto; Hygiene, Dr. Botsford, St. John, N.B.

Dr. HAMILTON suggested that a committee should be appointed to consider the amendments necessary in the Constitution and the By-laws, and report to the next meeting.

Dr. MARSDEN moved that the committee should consist of Dr. Hamilton, Dr. Gordon, and Dr. Botsford.

The resolution was seconded and carried.

Dr. HAMILTON proposed a vote of thanks to the medical gentlemen of Montreal for the very handsome manner in which they had entertained those who had visited them from a distance. He could say with a good deal of satisfaction that he had never met with so warm a reception as he had received on the present occasion, and he should remember it with very great pleasure in the future. Therefore he moved "That the thanks of the medical gentlemen from a distance be given to the medical gentlemen of Montreal for the handsome manner in which they have received them."

Dr. MARSDEN seconded the resolution, which was carried.

Dr. HINGSTON moved "That the thanks of the meeting be given to the officers of the Association for their services during the past year, and that the special thanks be given to the Secretary, Dr. David, for his services for the past three years. He added that although he knew that Dr. David must be glad to be relieved from his labours, he very deeply regretted his withdrawal from the post.