

Editorials.

The Ontario Medical Society.

THE sixteenth annual meeting of the above named society is of the past. Elsewhere will be found a short report of the papers and discussions.

A fair attendance of members greeted Dr. F. Le M. Grasset as he opened the meeting in good time. And later on many new members were enrolled, until the attendance seemed as large as it ever is when the meeting takes place outside of Toronto.

Whilst we feel that these meetings are a great benefit to all who attend them, we cannot but regret that the papers do not reach a higher scientific standard. We are at a loss to name the cause of this, for we know that a great deal of excellent work is done in the Province of Ontario by members of the society. We strongly urge upon members the necessity of early preparation of their papers, so that the Committee on Papers and Business may be helped in their duties. The preparation of a paper worthy of the society is not the work of a few days only, but of months. In the discussions we urge that the remarks should be short and to the point, and that members should not think of occupying the time of the association unless they are prepared with short, pithy criticisms of the papers.

From a social standpoint the meeting was the greatest success possible. Our confreres in Windsor must have worked together with a will in order to produce such results.

The evening of the first day of the meeting was brought to a close by an excursion on the river, and though the weather was rather unfavorable, good music, cheerful company, and choice refreshments helped to make everyone forget that anything but pleasure existed. The many lights on the shores of the river and the varied lights on the vessels as they moved along the surface of the water made quite a lively scene. Enchanting as this was to gaze upon, the decks of the boat were more seductive, and the graceful presence of the ladies served to complete the charm of the trip.

The business of the meeting was over by three o'clock of the second day, after which the visitors were taken in charge by the medical men of Windsor, who had provided special cars which took the party to