

Editorials.

Uniformity in Electrical Connections.

GENERAL practitioners will note with interest the result of the work of the Standing Committee on Electrodes of the American Electro-Therapeutic Association, as evidenced by its report at the recent meeting. The chairman, Dr. C. R. Dickson, of Toronto, was able to advise the Association that the leading manufacturers of electrical apparatus had agreed to accept the recommendation of the committee, and adopt a uniform means of connecting electrodes with batteries; said universal uniform connector to be decided upon by the committee. To the uninitiated we may explain that this means that in future the instruments made by one firm can be used with batteries from the factories of any other reputable manufacturer. One of the most celebrated continental manufacturers agreed to conform, provided the metric system was used in measurement. Dr. Dickson is certainly to be congratulated upon the result of his year's work in conjunction with his committee. A satisfactory form of connector has been adopted, and when the samples have been made they will be forwarded to all manufacturers. The construction of electrodes and of conducting cords will next receive the attention of the committee.

Lodge Practice in London.

WE append the agreement which, at the moment of going to press, forty-one of the forty-six physicians in London have signed. We sincerely hope that the remaining five will also sign. In a movement of this kind, there is the fear that some medical man may move to the place to catch the practice of the societies thus thrown open. But surely no member of the profession worthy of the name will do so in the case of London or any other city. One would think that a medical practitioner who would thus run against his confreres would not have an enviable position. In the *London Daily Free Press* of 18th October there appeared a letter signed by the three representatives to the Council—Drs. Roome, Moorhouse and C. T. Campbell, in which the evils of lodge practice are clearly set forth. The MEDICAL REVIEW has always declared against lodge and contract practice, and will always be glad to aid any movement to correct the evils of the system.

Copy of Agreement re Lodge Practice:

"We, the undersigned medical practitioners of the city of London, severally covenant and agree each with the other that on