

## CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

Those who attended the last meeting of the above Association at St. John, N.B., were all agreed that it was one of the most successful in the annals of the Association. From recent information received from Kingston it would appear, however, that the meeting next year promises to be a still more successful one. The secretary has received letters from all parts of the Dominion, stating that the writers would be present at the Kingston meeting, which will be held on the 28th, 29th and 30th of August.

The American Electro Therapeutic Association, which comprises the leading authorities on the subject from all over America, both in Canada and the United States, will hold its annual meeting at Toronto, beginning the day following the end of the Kingston meeting, so that the members of the Canadian Medical can proceed next day to Toronto and be present at the Electro Therapeutic meeting, where all are welcome without being Fellows. We would suggest that as many as possible would avail themselves of the double opportunity. Few outside of the Association are aware of the advances which electricity has been making during the last few years as a therapeutic agent, and much valuable information might doubtless be acquired at small cost by attending the meeting in which men like Rockwell, Morton, Goelet, Massey, Newman, Dickson, and other well-known writers will take an active part. Every Canadian practitioner of medicine should make the attendance at the meeting of the National Medical Association of Canada at Kingston the one great event of the year.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

We have much pleasure in giving credit to Dr. J. B. McConnell of Montreal, for an abstract of his excellent article on the treatment of inebriety by nitrate of strychnine. The journal from which we copied it had omitted to say that it was an abstract of Dr. McConnell's paper, and our printer, not seeing any name mentioned, failed to credit it to anyone. We hope Dr. McConnell will consider it the greatest compliment we could pay him that we printed his article on its own merits without even knowing that it was his.

## BOOK NOTICES.

ON PRESERVATION OF HEALTH IN INDIA. By Sir James Fayre, K.C.T.S., M.D., F.R.S., President of Medical Board India Office. London: Macmillan & Co., and New York, 1894. Copp, Clark Co., Ltd., publishers, 9 Front Street W., Toronto.

The lecture by such a distinguished author should be read by all who intend to live in the tropical climate. They would learn how life there may be rendered as safe as anywhere else.

SURGICAL PATHOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS. By John Collins Warren, M.D., Professor of Surgery in Harvard University; Surgeon to the Massachusetts General Hospital. 832 pages, illustrated by 120 engravings and 4 colored plates. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut street, 1895.

As the author truly says in his preface, the scientific portion of a surgical education was formerly regarded as something apart and ornamental, but it has now become an eminently practical feature of the student's curriculum. No young practitioner can be regarded as thoroughly equipped for surgical work who is not both a good pathologist and an expert bacteriologist. The confidence born of a knowledge of pathology and bacteriology enables him to assume grave responsibilities and to grapple successfully with the most complicated problems. It is from men thus equipped that we have a right to hope that the future Masters of Surgery are to be evolved. An attempt is therefore made in this book to associate pathological conditions as closely as possible with the symptoms and treatment of surgical diseases, and to impress upon the student the value of those lines of study as a firm foundation for good clinical work.

It is the author's hope that the following pages will present to a large number of practising physicians, in a readable form, many subjects that received but little attention when they graduated.

The illustrations by William J. Kaula are, with one or two exceptions, original. The drawings of microscopical sections are taken from specimens prepared for the purpose, and are intended to illustrate as closely as possible the results of modern microscopical technique.

We have carefully read over several chapters, and can say without hesitation that this work is thoroughly up to date and written in a pleasant and instructive style. The chapters on tuberculosis of the joints and on tumors are especially well written. We heartily commend this book to our most thoughtful readers. It may be obtained through any bookseller.

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