

doubt if this plan would work smoothly, as it would be quite impossible for all the members of the college in a district to assemble at a central place on a certain day. The result, I believe, would be that only a portion of the vote would be polled, and a certain number of electors would be disfranchised.

The other plan would be an election by ballot. The sheriff or clerk of the court of the district could be appointed a returning officer. Each qualified member of the college would receive a ballot from the secretary a week or ten days prior to the day fixed for the election, which he can prepare properly and forward to the returning officer either in person or by registered post, at any time between the receipt of the ballot and the day fixed for the election. This plan would secure every member of the college in his right to vote.

Such a system would probably lead to the voluntary formation of primary meetings in each district, for the purpose of nominating candidates. I would not suggest an official nomination, but simply a voluntary meeting at any suitable time previous to the election. Where there are district medical associations already in existence these would form an admirable means of nominating candidates, and the adoption of this plan I have no doubt would lead to the formation of medical associations in each electoral district. This is all secondary, the main feature of the plan is, that every member of the college in the province should have the privilege of voting directly for the candidate whom he thinks would represent the best interests of the profession as a member of the Governing Board.

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