

Society Reports.

The Ontario Medical Association.

THE Ontario Medical Association held its Fifteenth Annual Meeting in the Council building, Toronto, June 5th and 6th. Dr. R. W. BRUCE SMITH, of Hamilton, presided.

Delayed Union in Fractures was the first paper, by Dr. GEO. PETERS, of Toronto. He said that physicians should be careful about making prognoses, and that anæsthesia if necessary should be used in setting fractures. The Doctor dealt with the more active forms of treatment—rubbing the fractured ends together, cutting down, removing intervening tissue, and approximating the freshened ends of the bone. In conclusion, he referred to the constitutional treatment of these cases.

The Surgical Treatment of Certain Forms of Bronchocele was the second paper, read by Dr. SHEPHERD, of Montreal. He said that he had operated on many cases with no deaths, and of the various methods of treatment which have been adopted, he preferred enucleation. In conclusion, the speaker gave the history of several cases.

President's Address.—Dr. R. W. BRUCE SMITH, of Hamilton, then delivered his address, which was most eloquent and interesting. He spoke of the great benefits to be derived from the annual meetings, the bringing together not only of great medical minds, but of old friends who would otherwise be unlikely to meet. He discoursed on the strides medicine and surgery were making year by year, and the fact that medical men were giving much more attention to the origin of disease than of old. The speaker said that the profession was on a better understanding with the public. He upheld the Ontario Medical Act, and in conclusion said that in his opinion a medical tariff should be formed among the medical practitioners of the various countries.

Primary Repairs of Genital Lesions in Child-birth.—By Dr. K. N. FENWICK, of Kingston. It dealt particularly with the matter of perineal and cervical tears, both of which he maintained should be repaired immediately. Careful examination, strictly aseptic, should be made after each labor.

Dr. MACHELL recommended the suturing of tears in the vaginal wall as well as those of the cervix and perineum. Small cervical tears he would leave alone.

Dr. ALBERT A. MACDONALD said that cervical laceration should only be done at once when the tear was large or where the artery to