

Whilst we laud our own, we are not undmindful of those who are coming. The Toronto profession have worked very laboriously and faithfully to make the meeting here of the British Medical Association a pronounced success.

We are of course all interested in the scientific part of this meeting, and the indications are that its attendance is going to surpass anything ever held in Canada; indeed, it will probably rival the best meetings of the American Medical Association. We are told that from England and other parts of the Empire they are coming by hundreds; that Canadians will turn out as they never have, even to their own national medical meetings; that the United States profession will fairly swarm over us. The more the merrier; so we are going to have a bumper house. As Torontonians we are proud of our city; the medical men will compare here with any the world over. They certainly will do their level best to fulfil what is expected of them, and will hope that all are seen after properly.

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The hay-fever season is upon us and many are looking for palliatives for this distressing malady. Solomon Solis-Cohen, in the Journal of the American Medical Association, July 28th, 1906, states his observations during an experience of several years past in the treatment of this condition. In the treatment of this condition, and the treatment is far more palliative than curative, three substances or preparations are new before the profession, namely: Adrenalin chloride solution of Takamine; suprarenalin; pollantin. Speaking of the first, and this we have found very useful in the treatment of hay fever, Dr. Cohen says it is not eligible for lingual administration, *i.e.*, the effect produced by the amount you could safely place for dissolution on the tongue would not be effective, but must be administered by instillation into the conjunctival sac, or into the nasal passages. Speaking of suprarenalin, Dr. Cohen finds it advisable to use a snuff more frequently of suprarenalin, as follows: Suprarenalin, one part; bismuth subcarbonate, three hundred parts; zinc oxide, three hundred parts; zinc stearate (Comp.) two hundred parts. These are to be mixed and well triturated. This powder may be either snuffed or insufflated. Of course there are many other substances, as boric acid, etc., which may be used as diluents. In from thirty to fifty per cent. of the cases met with, Solis-Cohen states that pollantin produces positive effects, although he has found it nothing more than a palliative. With the above suprarenalin powder relief is obtained lasting from two to ten hours, according to the environment.