

## CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

It is to be hoped that the meeting of this Association, which is to take place in the city of Ottawa on the 12th, 13th and 14th days of the present month, will be numerously attended. The profession of Ontario should especially be well represented, Ottawa being so easy of access. We wish also to see a large contingent from the province of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces. We can hardly expect many of our Manitoba brethren owing to the great distance, although we shall be disappointed if the usual delegation be not present. We regret to notice of late years the almost total absence, from the meetings, of our French-Canadian confreres. This is the cause of considerable regret, not only on account of the loss socially which is thus sustained, but because they have now in their ranks some of the ablest members of the profession in the Dominion, whose contributions to the science of medicine would, we think, be much more widely read and appreciated if they appeared in connection with the transactions of such a general association as that under consideration. We hope to find these gentlemen in force at the coming meeting. The Canadian Medical Association must not be allowed to die of inanition. It is the only means by which, as Canadian physicians, we can keep in touch with each other, and while we wish the various provincial societies every possible success, we trust that in their time of prosperity they will still continue to contribute to the support of the parent Association.

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## BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The fifty-sixth annual meeting of this Association was held the other day in Glasgow, under the presidency of Professor Gairdner, of the University of Glasgow, and appears to have been a most successful affair. In an able address, entitled "The Physician as Naturalist," Dr. Gairdner defends the profession from the charge of atheism which is so often hurled against it by the ignorant and bigoted. Speaking of the physician of the future, he thinks that he will be more inclined