

AT the centenary meeting of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, we were pleased to see that Sir William Hingston, Dr. T. G. Roddick, M.P., and Mr. Irving H. Cameron, amongst leading lights in medicine the world over, were presented with diplomas of fellowship.

WE congratulate Dr. W. S. Muir, of Truro, N.S., upon his election to the position of President of the Maritime Medical Association. The doctor is also Secretary of the Medical Society of Nova Scotia, President of his native County Medical Society, and one of the Committee on Dr. Roddick's bill.

SOME American journals have been discussing the advisability of forming an International Medical Association. It is understood that the present President of the American Medical Association, Dr. Reid, of Cincinnati, is favorable to the admission of Canadian practitioners to membership in his Association.

MCGILL conferred four diplomas in public health this year. This is the first instance of the kind on this continent. The recipients were Drs. W. W. Ford, J. E. Laberge, H. S. Shaw and J. E. Williams. The outside instruction was given under the supervision of the Medical Health Officer of Montreal, Dr. Laberge, and the inside was attended to by Dr. Wyatt Johnston.

WORK is progressing very favorably on the addition to the Medical Faculty Buildings at McGill; and most of the new class rooms will be ready for use in October. The old lecture amphitheatre and the department devoted to pathology have been demolished entirely; and upon the sites they once occupied the additions are arising. The cost of these buildings will approach \$60,000.

THE coming meeting of the Canadian Medical Association in Ottawa promises to be a huge success. We understand from an Ottawa physician that the members of the profession in that city will eclipse Toronto in their endeavors to make the entertainment of the visiting members at the Capital City happy, thorough and complete. No doubt a large delegation will go from Toronto and the western part of the Province.

AN unusual kind of adulteration in drugs has recently come to the attention of the Chief Dominion Analyst. It consists in the substitution of sodium nitrate for saltpetre, and seems to be very prevalent amongst grocers and general dealers, and even in drug shops. Particular attention will be paid to cessation of this practice in the drug trade. Samples of saltpetre are now being collected, and we may expect prosecutions to follow in case the practice is not abandoned.