

Committee on Organization of the third Pan-American Medical Congress, a request that, in consequence of the then existing rebellion in Venezuela, no definite arrangements be made at that time relative to the meeting of the Congress previously appointed to be held in Caracas in December, 1899.

The following communication relative to the same subject is just at hand:

CARACAS, Sept. 24th, 1898.

DR. CHARLES A. L. REED,

Secretary of the International Executive Commission, Cincinnati, Ohio.

DEAR SIR,—After having sent my communication dated April last, I find it to be my duty to notify you that, although the considerations pointed out in it have already ended, our country has been scourged by small-pox which has taken up all our physicians' activities and time, depriving them of going into scientific works. And, as that state of mind of our people and government after such calamities as war and epidemic, would greatly interfere with the good success of our next meeting, I beg leave to tell you, in order you will convey it to the International Executive Committee, that our Government and this Commission would be grateful to have the meeting which was to take place in Caracas in December, 1899, adjourned for one year later. I am, Dear Doctor, yours respectfully,

THE PRESIDENT.

(Signed) DR. JOSE MANUEL DE LOS RIOS.

In accordance with the request of the Government of Venezuela and of the Committee on Organization, the third Pan-American Medical Congress is hereby postponed, to meet in Caracas in December, 1900.

For the International Executive Commission.

CHAS. A. L. REED, *Secretary.*

A DISCLAIMER.

DR. W. H. B. AIKINS wishes it stated that, though he has retained his grip on the medical electorate of Toronto University, the operation did not involve the use of massage or digital pressure of any description, Masonic or otherwise.

Dr. Aikins also desires to say that the *Canadian Medical Review* has not been sold to Drs. Wright and King, but that he and the members of his staff have united with the staff of the *Canadian Practitioner*, and that in future the new journal will be known as the *Canadian Practitioner and Medical Review*. We extend congratulations and wish our confreres success.

W. A. Y.