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THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION MEETING.

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SIR,—

When the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company's Pacific Express, steamed out of the Dalhousie Square Station, Montreal, on the night of the 6th of August, it had three sleepers well filled with medical men from Montreal, the Lower Provinces and the United States—all bound for Banff, in Alberta Province, North-West Territory, to attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association on the 12th, 13th and 14th of August. The start was made ten minutes late, and this was increased to fully an hour at the Mile End Station, waiting for connection with the train from Boston. When North Bay was reached next day we were four hours behind. Here we were joined by a number of medical men from Toronto. From this westward, we gradually fell behind, partly from the heaviness of our train, and partly also to a hot box. Time passed pleasantly, although on the 7th and 8th inst. we only had two meals a day, not striking a dining car till

late in the forenoon. This *contretemps* was taken in good part by most—but writing now for the public, I think this misfortune ought to have been avoided. It was not pleasant to have to wait to 2 p.m. for breakfast as many had to do. The scenery through which we passed on the borders of Lake Superior was very grand. On Friday, 9th inst., at 4 p.m., we reached Winnipeg. Most of the members drove at once to the residence of His Honor Dr. Schultz, Lieut-Governor of Manitoba, who gave a garden party in our honor. The music was supplied by the band of the Mounted Infantry School; a couple of hours was thus passed most agreeably; at 9 p.m. the profession of Winnipeg and vicinity gave a dinner at the Queen's Hall, at which Goldwin Smith was present. The *menu* and service of this repast was almost perfect—a better dinner or a more liberally served one, I think is rare. Speech and sentiment followed rapidly and it was 2 a.m. on Saturday before the party broke up. At 9.30 the entire party were taken by special train to Stoney Creek Penitentiary, where they were received by Superintendent Col. Bedson. The Indians incarcerated here for the Frog Lake Massacre, during the North-West Rebellion, were paraded in full war paint, and went through a war dance, and various other performances. The party returned