

them. In this connection we unite in extending to Dr. E. E. King our felicitations on his election to the presidency of the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. It is an honor that can come to but few, and we feel its dignity will lose nothing for having passed through his hands. It was also a matter of much pleasure to all of us to learn that the excellent services of Col. J. T. Fotheringham had met with the King's favor and that he had been rewarded with a C.M.G. This distinction Col. Fotheringham's two years of arduous performance of duty has worthily won. Quite recently Dr. H. A. Bruce has been made a full colonel, and has been given important duties to discharge in connection with Canadian hospitals in Britain, France, and in the Mediterranean region. Drs. Perry Goldsmith, H. E. Clutterbuck, Graham Chambers and Walter McKeown have also earned various promotions, and Col. J. A. Roberts has been several times mentioned in despatches. To all these we extend our best thanks for their devotion to the country's needs.

By a process of mind-reading I have taken a vote of the Fellows and have much pleasure in declaring it unanimously carried that I convey to Professors B. P. Watson, J. J. McKenzie, R. D. Rudolf and A. Primrose a hearty welcome back to our midst once more. There is no doubt but that, during their sojourn abroad, like the Earl of Westmoreland long ago, they learned enough of "the harsh and boisterous tongue of war."

And, now, as to the future, permit a few words. In the first place, every Fellow should make it a part of his regular creed to attend our meetings. The surest way to assist one's self is to assist others. The Council is greatly encouraged by good attendances at the stated and section meetings. The Fellows are also benefited and their interest quickened.

In the next place, every Fellow should become a recruiting officer for the Academy, and do what he can to induce his medical friends to join our ranks. Every medical practitioner in good standing in this city should take his place with us.

Then, further, we should be on the alert for donations of books and money. Every one of us has some influence if he will only use it. We have a library of 7,496 accessioned volumes, about 1,500 volumes in preparation for accessioning, and about 1,200 duplicate volumes to exchange for others as opportunity arises; but one of 50,000 volumes would not be too large. In addition to our books, there are over two hundred and fifty current journals and transactions on file in the reading room. Many of our Fellows allow books to be lost that should find a place on our