

any violation of modesty say, our differences in opinion are not more unbecoming rational men and fearless inquirers after truth than are theirs; and I may safely leave it to the world to decide, whether our mode of declaring these differences is less moderate, less gentlemanly, less candid, or less charitable than is theirs. Before closing these, perhaps rather disjointed, observations, I would crave your forbearance whilst I venture to instance a short-coming in our body, which to me appears of no trivial magnitude. I allude to our too slight identification with and respect towards the Press. I would not be understood as inculcating the expediency of pecuniary patronage in the shape of bombastic advertisements. We can never descend to that meretricious means of securing the support of this potent moulder of popular opinion; and even if we tried, we should always find ourselves far overtopped by the Bohemians. But there are more roads to Rome than one. We have abundant honourable means of making ourselves felt and respected through and by the Press, without stooping to any unbecoming course. The skilful use of the scalpel does not disqualify the hand for the trenchant wielding of the pen. But I would not have the pen used as a scalpel in fratricidal warfare amongst ourselves. Surely there are among us men who can write on other than mere medical subjects. We must, if we are to acquire stronger vitality, identify ourselves more intimately with the Fourth Estate. I beg pardon, for in Ontario it should be called the *second*, as it really is *secundus nulli*. If I have committed a bull, you will pardon it as a national infirmity.

And now, gentlemen, in the name of the Committee of Arrangements, and on behalf of the entire legitimate Medical Profession of Ontario, permit me to reiterate to you our hearty *welcome*!

The Association then adjourned for lunch, which through the kindness of their Ontario friends, was served in the College Dining Hall.

On re-opening,

A member stated that Dr. Clarke, Guelph, appeared as the representative of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Ontario. His certificate from this body was also placed in the hands of the Committee on Credentials.

Dr. Harrison, Selkirk; Dr. Birk, Scaforth; Dr. G. D. Monton, Brantford; Dr. L. G. Turgeon, Montreal; Dr. D. Pollock, Scarboro'; Dr. L. McFarlane, Toronto; Dr. George Wright Toronto; Dr. Valentine, Toronto; and Dr. Spooner, were elected members of the Association.

The President's address was next on the order of business, and in rising to address those present he was loudly cheered. In consequence