

THE regular quarterly meeting of the Huron and Bruce Medical Association was held in Seaforth, July 10. The chief event of the day was the delivery of an address on "The Treatment of Diphtheria" by Dr. George R. McDonagh, of Toronto. An interesting discussion ensued, after which Dr. McDonagh received the cordial thanks of the members present, and was elected an honorary member of the society by a unanimous vote.

SURGEONS' HANDS.—One can tell, nowadays, something of the amount of work which a surgeon does and the thoroughness with which he does it by looking at his hands. The strong bichloride and permanganate solutions with which the hands are sterilized (after the epithelium has been faithfully scrubbed off with a brush) make the hands rough and horny. The hands of some of the operators and nurses are practically incapacitated for work by this constant *régime*.

THE following references should have been given with Dr. A. McKinnon's paper on McGill's operation for prostatic enlargement, which was published in our last issue: *British Medical Journal*, Oct. 19, 1889, by Mr. McGill; *American Journal of the Medical Sciences*, November, 1890, by Belfield; *British Medical Journal*, 1st vol. for 1892, by Mansell Moullin, pp. 1185, 1250, 1294; *British Medical Journal*, 1st vol. for 1893, by Buckston Brown, pp. 513; *British Medical Journal*, 2nd vol. for 1893, by J. W. White, p. 575.

SIR JOSEPH LISTER.—The Council of the Society of Arts has, with the approval and sanction of the president, His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, awarded the Albert Medal to Sir Joseph Lister "for the discovery and establishment of the antiseptic method of treating wounds and injuries, by which not only has the art of surgery been greatly promoted and human life saved in all parts of the world, but extensive industries have been created for the supply of materials for carrying the treatment into effect."

WE desire again to remind our readers that the next meeting of the Canadian Medical Association will be held in St. John, N.B., on August 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. We understand that a few of our Ontario physicians have decided to go, but we would like to hear of more. The month of August was chosen rather than that of September because it is thought it would better suit the convenience of the members. It is generally considered that there is no better time for a trip to the Maritime Provinces than the latter half of August.

DR. J. H. ROHÉ, of Katonsville, Maryland (formerly of Baltimore), attended the meeting of the Berlin Society of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, May 9th and 10th, as the official delegate from the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. He will return in time to attend the seventh annual meeting of the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, which will be held in Toronto, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, September 19th, 20th, and 21st. Dr. Rohé is the president of this association.

THE POPE AND AN AMATEUR PHYSICIAN.—The *Gazette de Gynécologie* for May states that a curate named Kneipp, renowned for his cures with cold water, was lately consulted by Pope Leo XIII. for certain pains attributed to