The provisional programme will be sent out about May 20th, and it is requested that all members intending to participate in the work of the meeting, will inform the Secretary as to the title of his paper, or the character of his clinical cases by that date.

Of the subjects, already fixed for discussion, may be mentioned Obstetric Emergencies, Dry Labor, Placenta Praevia, Anaesthetics, Pneumonia, Tonsillar Hypertrophies, Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis, Ventrofixation, Cerebral Embolism, Anomolous forms of Small Pox, and others. The committee will be glad to hear from members desirous of discussing any of these subjects, and, if informed in time, will make provision for the same. Such communications may be sent to Dr. J. T. Fotheringham, 36 Carlton St., Toronto, Chairman of Committee on Papers, or to Dr. H. C. Parsons, 72 Bloor St., West, General Secretary.

We would urge upon the members of the profession throughout the Province to attend the meeting. In doing so they will increase the interest and enthusiasm of the Association, and will also derive a positive benefit themselves. The Association has done much for the profession during the past twenty-two years. A generous and hearty support from the profession would greatly enhance its usefulness.

On several occasions the advisability of publishing the proceedings in book form has been discussed. The Publication Committee this year will likely submit some definite proposition in this matter. It would be a very desirable thing indeed to have the proceedings in some collected and permanent form.

It would be of the utmost assistance to the committee in its efforts, if those who cannot be present would either remit their fees, or intimate their willingness to subscribe for a copy of the proceedings. It is perhaps in this way that the membership can be made both more permanent than at present and materially increased.

## CONFUSIONAL INSANITY.

THIS form of insanity has been recognized for some thirty years. It was first spoken of in Germany under such names as amentia, acute hallucinatory insanity, etc. It was described in the United by Dr. Spitzka in 1877. Since then many articles have appeared upon this form of mental derangement.

This form of insanity comes on after severe mental or physicial exhaustion, or from some intoxication of the system with the poisonous products of germs, or of deranged action in some of the organs of the