

Hamilton and Ottawa should have been held in Ontario within so short a space of time. It was feared that the profession of Western Ontario would be unable to give much support to the meeting at the Capital. However, our friends in Ottawa and the surrounding district were equal to the occasion, and under the leadership of Doctors Fred. Montizambert and Bob Powell, worked with a will, and the result was one of the best, and one of the most pleasant meetings Canada has known. In fact, we are probably justified in saying that all the superlatives applied to the meeting in Hamilton are equally applicable to that in Ottawa.

On the first afternoon there was a formal reception to the visitors by the local members at the Ottawa Golf Club, Aylmer. At the first evening session Dr. Montizambert delivered his presidential address. He began by expressing his belief that a new era in the history of the Canadian Medical Association had begun. He then briefly traced the development of scientific medicine from the days of Aesculapius. He divided this period of development into four eras. 1. Hebraic epoch, when special attention was given to domestic sanitation. 2. Roman epoch, the era of municipal sanitation. 3. Gothic epoch, the era of national sanitation. 4. The modern epoch, the era of international sanitation.

He then advocated more adequate protection of the public health, and the diffusion of information regarding preventative measures. He also urged proper inspection of the water supply and plumbing work. He believed the Federal Government, and especially the Bureau of Public Health, should undertake the lead in the struggle against tuberculosis and other contagious diseases; and he finally suggested that the Dominion Government should station medical officers in the emigrating centres of Europe and the Orient.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier then delivered a short address. As a citizen of Ottawa he gave to the Association the warmest welcome of the city. He expressed his personal interest in the work and objects of the Association. He stated that he could not turn a deaf ear to any reference to the duty of the National Govern-