

After routine business the retiring President, Dr. Reddy, read his valedictory address as follows:—

GENTLEMEN:—I have to congratulate you that our Society has completed its fifth year.

It is customary at this our annual meeting to give a summary of the work which has engaged us during the past twelve months. I have much pleasure in laying before you the list of the papers, read and by whom contributed. To avoid confusion I have arranged them in alphabetical order. They have, I regret to say, been only twelve in number, but many of them most original and of deep practical interest.

1st. Dr. Austin read an able paper on Hæmatophilia, a very rare disease in this country, but quite common in Germany.

2nd. Dr. George Baynes, a paper on Meningeal Hæmorrhage, with a very careful and accurate post-mortem.

We have at the same time to thank Dr. Howard for the interesting and instructive remarks (in writing) with which he supplemented Dr. Baynes case, being part of the time associated with him in consultation.

3rd. Dr. Bessey read a paper "Notes and Observations on Scarlatina and allied diseases," consisting of reports of a number of malignant cases with treatment, &c., that occurred in his practice, which was prepared with a great deal of care.

4th. Dr. F. W. Campbell gave an able paper on "Three Fatal Cases of Diphtheria" that occurred in his practice. The reports were most instructive and exhaustive.

5th. Dr. Cline gave an interesting report of a case of "Progressive Muscular Atrophy," which was carefully noted by him at the Montreal General Hospital.

6th. Dr. Gardner read a paper on "Pelvic Hæmatocele," that had been under his care, which was early discovered by him and resulted in complete recovery.

7th. Dr. Kollmyer read a paper on "Guarana," giving its history, mode of preparation and its physiological action, which exhibited deep research.

8th. Dr. Osler read a very original paper and most interesting on the "Pathology of Miners lung," accompanied by drawings—a most masterly production.

9th. Dr. Roddick read a very interesting paper on "Eye cases, Surgical," treated by him at the Montreal General Hospital, which at first presented

features that rendered the prognosis doubtful, but all happily terminated in complete cure.

10th. Dr. Reddy read a paper on "Popliteal Aneurism," cured in twelve hours by digital compression, after failure with Carte's Compressors.

11th. Dr. Trenholme read an interesting paper on "Traumatic Tetanus," which resulted in a complete cure, chloral and potassium bromide being the remedies used.

12th. Dr. Wilkins read a paper on "Extroversion of the Bladder," exhibiting drawings of the parts, both before and after the operation, which resulted in a complete cure, rendering it a most unique case.

It is a matter much to be regretted that, in such a large and representative city as Montreal, so little interest should be taken in this Society by its members, as is seen in the thinly attended meetings, the highest number not amounting to more than one-fourth of the entire, notwithstanding the many original, valuable and carefully-prepared papers that have been read from time to time. Indeed, when I look at such an array of members in the long list before me, (numbering 60) and consider what a loss must be sustained, that so much experience and talent should remain silent and unproductive, I feel it is a matter deeply to be deplored. We must hope that in the coming year this will be remedied.

We have to record but one death from amongst our number during the past year, the kind and warm-hearted friend and able practitioner, Dr Sutherland.

We have also to regret the removal of our late associate, Dr. Austin, who has returned to Sherbrooke, at the urgent request of his former patients.

I cannot conclude without thanking this Society for the honor conferred in choosing me as their President, my only regret is that it has not been more efficiently filled.

Gentlemen,

I wish you farewell.

MONTREAL, 22nd October, 1875.

#### MARRIAGES.

At Hull, P.Q., on the 28th October, F. Benoit, C.M., M.D., to Miss Margaret Boulton, eldest daughter of Captain John T. Boulton, B.A., formerly of Kensington, England.

In Notre Dame de Grâce, Côte des Neiges, on the 8th September, by the Rev. Mr. Maréchal, André Latour, C.M., M.D., Demonstrator of Anatomy, University of Bishop's College, to Marie Marguerite Robert, daughter of Emile Robert dit La Mouche, of Côte des Neiges.

#### BIRTH.

On the 13th October, the wife of E. A. Duclos, chemist and druggist, of a daughter.