

logical Laboratory of the State of New York, delivered the address in Public Medicine, and Canada reclaimed for the moment Dr. William Osler to delight his audience by his scholarly address in Medicine.

Although the hospitality shown by the medical profession in Montreal and many of its distinguished citizens, and although the brilliancy and the success of the social functions must occupy a large space in the chronicles of the Montreal meeting, the more serious work of the Association meeting was by no means neglected. On the contrary, the work done in the Sections was of a high order of merit.—*British Med. Journal.*

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AN UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL MEETING.—The sixty-fourth convocation of this, the greatest of all Anglo-Saxon medical gatherings, has passed into history. The city of Montreal as a corporation, and the medical profession of the city, "did themselves proud" in matters of hospitality. The attendance was large, over eight hundred registering; and a large number of medical men gathered besides, ostensibly to attend the meeting but never registered, their aims being of a social rather than a scientific character. The greatest drawback was the lack of proper hotel accommodations: indeed, for a city of the pretensions of Montreal such were woefully deficient. The general addresses, that of the president excepted, were decidedly mediocre, being "chestnutty" in flavor, and in one instance so self-laudatory and egoistic as to provoke most unenviable comment. The papers presented to the sections, with few exceptions, were of like character; remarkably, not a single new idea was evolved or even suggested. Their tone was such they might pass for papers read at any of half a dozen meetings of like character, convened during the past five years. Even the discussions were flat, stale and unprofitable, hence the attendance daily became more meagre—so meagre in fact that it was a common cause of comment. Nevertheless the British Medical Association was a success—a great success—as a social body. Scientifically it was mediocre, repetitious, heavy and wearisome; dull as ditch water, relieved only by the manifest attempts of the little chaps to be thought big and the larger ones to grow greater in the estimation of their fellow-men.—*The Medical Age.*

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THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL DINNER.—An esteemed correspondent writes as follows: "The most massive and thoroughly British feature at the meeting was the dinner. The sections were so extremely similar to the same divisions at our own