500 of the leading Laryngologists of the world were in attendance. The proceedings were opened in person by the fourth son of the Emperor.

Dr. W. J. Hunter Emory, a member of the staff of Grace Hospital, Toronto, was honored by his colleagues recently. He was tendered a dinner at the Toronto Club, and was presented with an illuminated address. Dr. Emory is going to reside in Southern California and engage in fruit growing. Dr. B. L. Riordan, Dean of the staff, presided. The staff was out in full force to bid Dr. Emory good-bye.

The Kingston Health Association has organized and purchased "Kirklethan," the residence in Portsmouth of the late Lieutenant-Governor Bowen Van Straubenzie, and will turn it into a sanitarium for tuberculosis patients. The institution is to be called the Sir Oliver Mowat Memorial Hospital and towards its equipment Kingstonians have subscribed \$16,000. The council has granted \$2,000, and \$4,000 is promised by the Ontario Government. The board elected Dr. J. C. Connell, Dean of Queen's Medical Faculty, as president, A. J. Macdonell, manager of the Bank of Montreal in Kingston, as vice-president, and ex-mayor James A. Minnes as honorary secretary-treasurer. The association hopes to begin treatment of patients in the course of a few months.

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The engagement of Dr. W. Gordon M. Byers, of Montreal, to Miss Jean Newton, of Hamilton, is announced to take place in December.

Dr. Howard Pirie has left England to take up the appointment of physician in the electrical department at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal. Dr. Pirie was chief assistant in the electrical department of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and had charge of the corresponding work at Greenwich Hospital. He was also lecturer on electro-therapeutics at the London School of Clinical Medicine and North East London Post-Graduate College, and secretary of the Roentgen Society.

The abolition of the McGill "rush," a species of "free fight" between sophomores and freshmen, which for years past has been a regular feature of the university opening, is being agitated by members of the science faculty and others. A conference, consisting of several members of that faculty and undergraduates, has already been held with that object in view. As a result the sophomore class in science was waited upon by several seniors, who endeavored to impress upon it the desirability of doing away with the rush. The college authorities are opposed to the present rush, and will exert all efforts to have it abolished. Every year there has been increased opposition owing to injuries sustained by participants.