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was a masterly production, and made points which we hope will impress many, and lead them to ask whether the ultra scientific courses given at most Medical Schools at present is calculated, as some think, to turn out good general practitioners. Of the Address in Medicine given by Dr. Osler, of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Bultimore, we can truly say it impressed every one as being a magnificent oration. No better has ever been read before any Medical Association. We Canadians must ever be proud that not only is Dr. Osler a Canadian, but a Canadian graduate (McGill), and that his early scholastic medical life was passed with his Alma Mater and the early years of his practice in the city of Montreal. The attendance being large, the two Sections, Medical and Surgical, into which the Association divided, were scenes of much life. The papers were, on the wnole, good; some unsually so. Perhaps those who took part in the discussions were not as numerous as we might have wished, but those who did take part spoke briefly and to the point. A pleasant feature was the fact that some present spoke in the French language and were applauded on sitting down. This limited discussion is a general fault at all Association Meetings, and its cause is somewhat difficult to fully understand. Some ascribe it to diffidence, others to want of practice in speaking before any assemblage. If this latter is the cause, the remedy lies in the formation of local societies and taking part in the debates.

The social part of the meeting was well looked after. A reception in the Art Gallery, a railroad ride, and visit to the Victoria Jubilee Bridge, thence to Lachine, a sail of an hour on Lake St. Louis on the steamer "Duchess of York," during which a splendid luncheon was served, then descending the Lachine Rapids to the city of Montreal. A garden party, given by Mrs. James Ross, the wife of one of our millionaire citizens, was a feature in the social festitives, and was a thoroughly enjoyable event. On Thursday evening, a Smoking Concert, in the Vitoria Rifles Armory, which was largely attended, brought the festivities to a close. A feature of this year's meeting was the special attention paid to the ladies who accompanied the members. A committee of the local doctors' wives and daughters took them in hand. They were entertained to luncheou, and on its conclusion electric