

profession for the sake of the fees alone. That sort of attack on the profession was certainly irritating. The medical men of Canada never refused to do all in their power for sufferers, even when they knew that their patients were too poor to pay fees. Continuing, he dealt with some of the objects of the order as stated in the pamphlet. One of these was to attend the sick poor of the city in their homes, the same work exactly, said the doctor, that was being carried on so successfully by the Nursing at Home Mission of Toronto, and like organizations in other cities.

A rural doctor said that in twenty-five years' experience as a country practitioner, he had never met a case in which a doctor had refused to attend a patient, no matter how poor the latter might be.

A Toronto medical man said that since the organization several changes had been made in its constitution, the most important of which was that the nurses should pass a specified examination by a committee of medical men.

STRONG DISAPPROVAL.

Others thought that the resolution should state the reasons on which the Association based its objections to the scheme.

The President therefore appointed a small committee to draft such a resolution.

The resolution brought in and adapted, was as follows: "After careful consideration of the scheme for the founding of a Victorian Order of Nurses, so far as its details have been made public, the Ontario Medical Association desires to express its full appreciation of the kindly motives that have prompted the movement, but feels that it would be neglecting a serious public duty if it failed to express its most unqualified disapproval of the scheme, on account of the dangers which must necessarily follow to the public should such an order be established."

A resolution of thanks was passed to Hon. G. W. Ross for allowing the Association the use of the Normal School. Mr. Ross, who was present, made a suitable reply. Resolutions of thanks were also passed to Dr. O'Reilly, the R.C.Y.C., Mr. Gooderham, the T.S.R., the C.P.R. and G.T.R., for courtesies extended, and to Dr. J. Coventry, of Windsor, the retiring President, for his services during the past year.

The meeting then adjourned.