

B.A., and that of sending to Europe for further study, at its own expense, young graduates in Medicine who showed marked ability for teaching. From its very inception the *annus medicus* at Laval has always consisted of ten months, while other universities are only recently seeing the necessity of keeping the student at work for more than six months of each year. We feel sure that with a well equipped school in this great city, and with two large hospitals at its disposal, it will reach a higher point of eminence than it has ever reached before.

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January 31st, 1893.

To the Editor:—

SIR,—Herewith please find the circulars of announcement of the International Congress of Charities, Correction and Philanthropy, which is to be held in Chicago during the week commencing June 12th, 1893.

Your attention is particularly directed to the work of Section 3, which "covers the Hospital Care of the Sick, the Training of Nurses, Dispensary Work, and First Aid to the Injured."

We respectfully request that you give the Congress all the attention your inclinations and space will allow, in order that it may have as wide a publicity as possible.

The Committee of Organization is very desirous of securing a large attendance from abroad, in order that the Congress may have the greatest possible beneficent effect upon the philanthropic and penological work of the world; and it trusts that you will aid it in every possible way through your valuable Journal.

Thanking you in advance for any favors you may extend to us, I have the honor to be,

Yours very respectfully,

NATHANIEL S. ROSENAU,

Sec. Committee of Organization.

PRELIMINARY MANIFESTO OF THE SECTION OF NERVOUS AND MENTAL DISEASES OF THE PAN-AMERICAN MEDICAL CONGRESS OF 1893.

St. Louis, Jan. 13, 1893.

To the Editor of THE CANADA MEDICAL RECORD, Montreal, Canada.

DEAR DOCTOR,—I take pleasure in transmitting herewith a manifesto of the preliminary

organization of the important section of Psychiatry and Neurology of the forthcoming Pan-American Medical Congress, with request that you publish the same in your estimable Journal with editorial endorsement, and cordial invitation to the medical profession of your section to co-operate in promoting the success of this Section at the coming Congress, by suggestion, by offering papers to be read, by promptly signing as members, by letters and by advice to the Executive President of the section, or to its English-speaking Secretary Dr. A. B. Richardson, Columbus, Ohio.

Valuable papers have been promised from distinguished savants in Neurological and Psychological Medicine, but many more are desired and desirable. The Spanish, French and English languages will be spoken in the section, and it is especially desired to secure as good a representation of the profession and make as good an exhibit of the advance in Neurology and Psychiatry as may be possible.

This, together with a desire for closer confraternity between the profession of the North and South American States, as well as the welfare of our common humanity, of which the coming Congress will be promotive, are chief among the exalted purposes of this section.

Physicians who may desire to identify themselves with this Section are requested to do so at once.

Fraternally,

C. H. HUGHES,

Executive President Section on Diseases of the Mind and Nervous System. Pan-American Medical Congress.

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BOOK NOTICES.

A TREATISE ON DISEASES OF THE RECTUM, ANUS AND SIGMOID FLEXURE, by Joseph M. Mathews, M.D., Professor of Principles and Practice of Surgery, and Clinical Lecturer on Diseases of the Rectum, Kentucky School of Medicine; Visiting Surgeon Sts. Mary and Elizabeth Hospital; Consulting Surgeon Louisville City Hospital; Consulting Surgeon Jennie Cassady Free Infirmary for Women; late President Mississippi Valley Medical Association; President Louisville Clinical Society; Vice-President Louisville Surgical Society; Member International Medical Congress, American Medical Association, Southern Surgical and Gynæcological Society, Kentucky State Medical Society, State Board of Health of Kentucky; orator of the American Medical Association on Surgery, 1891, etc. With six Chromo-Lithographs and Numerous Illustrations. New-York: D. APPLETON & COMPANY, 1892.

The author says:—I have written this book because of a desire to record my indivi-