

Proceedings of Societies.

BRITISH COLUMBIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the British Columbia Medical Association was held in Vancouver on August 20th and 21st. The President, Dr. J. M. Pearson, of Vancouver, presided.

The meeting was very well attended, some seventy-five in all signing the register. A large number of visitors were also present, including Dr. Joseph Price, of Philadelphia; Dr. G. S. Ryerson, of Toronto, and Drs. J. B. Eagleson, A. E. Burns, Canfield, Peterkin, of Seattle, and Dr. A. H. Coleman, of Tacoma.

A very interesting programme was presented and fully discussed. Dr. Joseph Price read an interesting paper on the advancement in abdominal and pelvic surgery, which was much appreciated by all present. The Special Committee appointed at the last meeting to report on school inspection and hygiene, particularly with regard to the manner in which it is taught in our public schools, presented an exhaustive and valuable report. Much credit is due to Dr. W. D. Brydone-Jack and the other members of the committee for their valuable contributions to this subject.

The question of the formation of a Western Canada Medical Association was fully discussed, and the following resolution was passed: "Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Association, the formation of a Western Canada Medical Association is inadvisable, and the Secretary be instructed to notify the promoters of the scheme to this effect, the feeling of the meeting being that the affiliation of this society with the Canada Medical Association was desirable, and that the multiplicity of the inter-Provincial societies might interfere with the Dominion Association."

A letter was also read from Dr. Lafferty, of Calgary, of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Alberta. Subject: The formation of a joint Board of Examination for the four Western Provinces of the Dominion, whereby candidates for license to practise will be able to register in the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia, on passing the one examination.

The following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That this Association does not approve of the scheme of reciprocity with regard to registration with the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta."