

opinions; and yet, when you look at the evolution of progressive systematized insanity, how could it be otherwise than hopeless? Nevertheless, some authors speak of recoveries!

This work should meet with a favorable reception. It possesses the elements requisite to make its way into the confidence of medical readers—lucidity of style, accuracy of statement, and fulness in the treatment of the whole field of neurology.

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### DUFFERIN UNION MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The second quarterly meeting of the Dufferin Union Medical Association was held at Orangeville on Tuesday, May 9th, and was interesting and well attended. The general discussion was principally occupied by the subject of Appendicitis. The next meeting, which was constituted the annual one, will be held at Grand Valley, on the second Tuesday in August, 1899, when a morning and afternoon session will take place.

The following resolutions were passed:

Moved by Dr. Smith, Orangeville, seconded by Dr. Hopkins, Grand Valley, that this Society considers that the time has arrived when the medical profession should receive justice at the hands of the municipalities whose sick and injured indigents call for medical and surgical aid; that the repeated repudiation of just claims for such attendance, even in cases of contagious and infectious diseases, is a disgraceful and dishonorable evasion of duty by township, village and town authorities; that, in order to have this abuse corrected, the matter be brought before the Medical Council by our representatives, and that in the meantime other county and district societies be requested to take such concerted action as may lead to a proper recognition of our rights. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Lewis, seconded by Dr. J. Henry, that it is desirable that interprovincial registration be secured, if the curriculum in all the provinces be made equal to that now obtaining in the Province of Ontario. Carried.

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In regard to the use of atropine, for a long time it has been my custom to give a hypodermic injection of atropine and morphine,  $\frac{1}{8}$ – $\frac{1}{4}$  grain of the latter and  $\frac{1}{12}$ – $\frac{1}{16}$  grain of the former, half an hour before operation. Of course it is impossible to say that it has prevented pneumonia, but it certainly has done good. The patient takes the anesthetic (ether) better, and there is less mucus in the throat.—GRANT BALDWIN.