

THE forty-first annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association will be held in Ottawa on the 9th, 10th, and 11th of June, 1908. Members and others who intend to be present and to take part in the discussions or contribute papers, will kindly so inform the General Secretary, Dr. George Elliott, 203 Beverley St., Toronto, at their early convenience.

DR. BUCK, of the little village of Palermo, in the County of Halton, has made for himself a record of which any Canadian might be proud. He has practised medicine continuously there for fifty-four years. For forty of these he was a member of the Township Council of Trafalgar, and during that time he was absent from only one meeting. For twenty-four years he was reeve of the township, and in that time did not miss a single meeting of the County Council.

DR. WM. E. SPRAGUE, Belleville, died suddenly, on Jan. 25th, aged 58, while arranging with the Belleville City Council interests connected with the bridge across the Bay of Quinte. The doctor, was the owner of this bridge connecting Prince Edward County and Hastings County, and was considered very wealthy. He graduated M.D., C.M., Trinity, in 1884. In 1907 he became B.A., Queen's, and was a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons (Edin.). His family consisted of his wife and one son, a student in Arts course at McGill. The doctor was a cousin of Dr. Sprague, Stirling.

DR. D. J. GIBB WISHART, Associate Professor of Laryngology and Rhinology in the University of Toronto, leaves early in March for Italy, where he intends to follow the clinics of Professor Massei and others in Naples, Rome and Turin. Subsequently he will attend the International Laryngo-Rhinological Congress in Vienna in Easter week, which is being held to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment in Vienna of Clinical Laryngology and Rhinology by Turek and Czermak. Later, Dr. Wishart will spend some weeks at the Clinics of Professor Killian in Freiburg and Hammel in Heidelberg before going to England. The doctor and his wife expect to return to Canada about the middle of June.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION, Hodgkins Fund Prize—In October, 1891, Thomas George Hodgkins, Esquire, of Setauket, New York, made a donation to the Smithsonian Institution, the income from a part of which was to be devoted to "the increase and diffusion of more exact knowledge in regard to the nature and properties of atmospheric air in connection with the welfare of man." In the furtherance of the donor's wishes, the Smithsonian Institution has