

We purposely avoid mentioning names, because all the members of committees worked faithfully and well.

One of our friends from the United States has written a very kind letter, from which we extract the following, especially because of the criticism, which contains certain opinions with regard to the publication of the discussions on papers read in Sections which we cordially endorse:—

“The meeting as a whole was one of the best conducted that I have ever attended. The University buildings were an ideal place for the Sections, the rooms being in such proximity that one could wander from Section to Section without wasting time. As I have already expressed to you, the annual dinner was one of the best arranged that it has been my good fortune to attend. The various courses were excellent and served promptly, the hall itself was pleasingly decorated, and the only drawback was the size of the place, which precluded those seated at a little distance from hearing the excellent speeches. This, however, where so many were gathered, could not be obviated, and I do not see how the affair could have been better arranged.

“My only criticism of the whole meeting would be a mild protest against the continuance of the obsolete practice of requiring those who took part in the discussions following the papers read in Sections to personally write down their remarks. This was very annoying, for often while one was writing, the discussion of others was wholly lost to him. It is also impossible for one to put down on paper, after having participated in a discussion, just what he may have said, so that many of the excellent points made are irretrievably lost. If a stenographer takes down a discussion, and later submits his remarks to each participant, the result is much better, and the discussion becomes often of greater value than the paper presented. As editor of a medical journal, you are in a position to urge a change in this regard, and I sincerely hope that you will do so, since this matter is the, or about the, only defect in the management of the Association's meeting.”

The meetings were held in the various buildings of the University of Toronto. The general meetings were held, and the general addresses delivered, in the new Convocation Hall. The