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## EDITORIAL.

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### THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The meeting of this Association is in Winnipeg this year. An effort should be put forth by a large number to attend the meeting. There will be a good programme, both of papers and entertainments. The date is fixed for the 23rd, 24th, and 25th of August. Everyone should go prepared to contribute something to the meeting. This he can do by his presence alone, but better still by adding to the programme by way of a paper or by taking part in the discussions. Many from the East should find their way to that growing city of the West.

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### THE MILK SITUATION.

It takes a vast amount of education to secure any great reform. For many years the people of this country thought that milk might be treated in any old way. There was no real attempt made to ensure cleanliness and proper care over this important article of widespread consumption.

In the large city centre, where the milk mainly comes in from a distance, the means of caring for the milk supply was very poor in far too many instances. Dirty utensils and poor housing facilities tended to contaminate the milk handled by these dealers, and render it much less desirable as an article of food than it should be, and in not a few instances really dangerous.

But improvement is taking place all along the line. The educational work of a number, who are interesting themselves in this work, is raising the standard of the care milk is receiving from many dealers. It is now being learned that milk is a product that requires the most careful handling and treatment.

Several medical societies have taken up this subject and given to it the weight of their authority. This is a very proper direction in which to turn their attention. Many lives of children are lost through bad milk. Preventive medicine has here a real work.