culin, acting as an irritant, may set up a conjunctivitis, which is not specific in character. As a rule, it may be laid down, where there is evidence of an active hyperaemia in both eyes, even though more defined in the eye into which the tuberculin is instilled, no conclusion whatever can be drawn; in fact, the test is contra-indicated in this class of case, as well as the more serious eye affections. Attention has been called by various writers to the occurrence of a reaction in a small percentage of healthy individuals.

The explanation of the ophthalmo-reaction depends on the state known as 'anaphylaxis,' as does the reaction following the second instillation of tuberculin in an eye when the first instillation has proved negative. In this connection one cannot but think of the possibility of workers with tuberculin sensitizing their eyes, or of nurses or surgeons working with tubercular exudates 'contaminating' or sensitizing their conjunctivae, so that though they are healthy, the instillation of tuberculin into their eyes produces a reaction. This is purely speculative, but might account for a small part of the percentage of normal individuals who re-act.

## ONTARIO MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE next meeting of the above Association will be held in Hamilton on May 26th, 27th and 28th, ult., and among the gentlemen from outside of the province who are expected to attend the meeting we note Prof. Stockton, of Buffalo Dr. Scudder, Boston; Prof. Gibney, New York; Drs. Buswell, University of Buffalo; McRae, Johns Hopkins; Lyle, St. Luke's; Armstrong and Garrow, McGill. Some of the papers announced so far embrace the following: Treatment of acromio-clavicular dislocation; vaccine therapy in medicine and surgery; diphtheria antitoxins; neurasthenia; sprains; obstruction of bowels; arterio-sclerosis—a symposium; puerperal complications; obstetrical technique; abortion; ulcer of stomach; quarantine for smallpox; duodenal ulcer; X-ray diagnosis with slides.

The mornings of the three days will be devoted to the meetings of the different sections, the afternoons to the addresses in medicine and surgery and to subjects of general interest, while the evenings will be reserved for entertainment.

Any regular practitioner in the province in good standing is