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bounded, and all present bore away with them feelings of the very warmest regard toward their hosts. The details of this hospitality consisted of an electric car ride to Britannia on the Bay, a most delightful spot on a warm day; also a dinner at the Russell House, and lastly a car ride through the city and out to Rockcliffe Ranges, where a most sumptuous lunch was served in the handsome new building just erected by the Dominion Rifle Association. The Staff of the Protestant Hospital also entertained at lunch those whose time permitted them to visit that institution.

Winnipeg has been selected as the next place of meeting, and the time most likely will be about the middle of August. If the officers of the Association can secure from the Canadian Pacific Railroad terms as good as they got when the Association met in 1889 at Banff (including special rates to the Coast), there is every reason to look forward to a very large attendance.

## SIR WILLIAM STOKES, M.D., F.R.C.S.I.

The late Sir William Stokés died at the base hospital at Pietermaritzburg, South Africa, on the 18th of August last. Among the large number of medical men employed at the seat of war, no death which has occurred among them can in importance be compared to that of Dr. Stokes. This gentleman was the son of William Stokes, whose splendid works on Diseases of the Heart and Lungs are still read by every educated physician, and whose kindness to the writer when on a visit in 1861 to Dublin has always been green in his memory. Sir William was appointed consulting surgeon to the forces in South Africa on 29th of December last, and arrived at the Cape about the first of March. He at once proceeded to Natal and took up his duties at the General Hospital at the Mooi River. These duties were most harrassing in their nature, but, like a true surgeon, he was happiest when doing his best to relieve suffering and save or prolong life. But the surroundings were not of a nature to suit a constitution never very strong, and rendered distinctly weak by some months of great mental anxiety owing to serious illness in his family. He was also troubled with a chronic winter