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## EDITORIAL.

### THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

Already much headway has been made by way of preliminary arrangements and the striking of committees. A strong executive committee composed as follows has been agreed upon :

"That the Executive Committee consist of the President elect, the Treasurer and Local Secretaries, the President of the Canadian Medical Association, the Presidents of the Provincial Medical Association, including the Maritime Medical Association, the Presidents of the Provincial Medical Councils, the Deans of the Medical Colleges, the Medical members of the Dominion Parliament and of the Local Legislatures, the Presidents of the branches of the British Medical Association in Canada, the local members of the Arrangement Committee, together with the Chairman and Secretary of each of the following sub-committees, namely : On Reception, On Finance, On Excursions, On Transportation, On Museum, On Printing and Publishing, On Dinner, On Local Entertainments, and On Hotels and Lodgings."

At a meeting a few days ago the various committees were struck. It will thus appear that all the preliminary steps have been taken. The various committees will soon meet and map out the work which each is expected to take charge of. It is quite evident that the intention is to make the coming meeting in Toronto second to none in the long history of the great association which is going to visit this country a second time.

From Montreal comes "a word of advice." The Montreal Medical Journal seems very anxious to point out to the President, Dr. R. A. Reeve, the necessity for extreme care to avoid certain hidden dangers, one of which is that the meeting should not be one for antiquarians. Dr. Reeve is told what subjects to avoid in the preparation of his address, etc. ; and the article concludes with the words : "We have thus pointed out, in a delicate way, the themes which may be avoided, and we have given the advice most cheerfully. It would be an excess of good nature on our part to suggest others which might be employed. That may well be left to the good judgment of Dr. R. A. Reeve, to whom the task will in all probability fall."