

the uterus thoroughly; if this fail, currette to bring away any clot, membrane, or placenta. If these means do not control the fever, attend to the nourishment and stimulation.

The paper was decidedly practical and interesting.

A discussion on the paper was taken part in by Drs. McCargow (Hamilton), Wright (Ottawa), Dupuis (Kingston), Taylor (Goderich).

This paper was followed by one by Dr. Johnston, entitled,

#### PUERPERAL PERITONITIS,

illustrating, by means of the microscope, specimens of pathological uterine tissue resulting from peritonitis, also showing the microbe. He reported a number of cases, including the autopsies, and in all cases micrococcus were found and cultured.

Dr. Dupuis, of Kingston, followed with a paper entitled,

#### REMOVAL OF THE ASTRAGALUS.

He cited two cases of successful operation of this kind, giving good results, with useful limbs. He urged conservative surgery, with strict aseptic procedure.

Dr. Sweetnam, Toronto, then read a paper on

#### STRICTURE OF THE RECTUM.

See page 276.

Section adjourned.

J. E. PICKARD, Secretary.

The Association resumed its session, the President in the chair. The President stated that he had received the Report on Hygiene from Dr. Cassidy. Owing to want of time it was taken as read.

Votes of thanks were tendered to the President, Secretary and Treasurer, and to the profession in Hamilton for their great kindness and courtesy. A vote of thanks was also given to the authorities of St. Paul's Church for the use of the school-room.

During the afternoon session the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:—

Dr. Geo. Ross, Montreal, President; Dr. James Bell, Montreal, General Secretary; Dr. Charles Sheard, Toronto, Treasurer.

Provincial officers for Ontario: Dr. Eccles, London, President; Dr. J. A. Grant, jr., Ottawa, Secretary.

For Quebec: Dr. Christie, Lachute, President; Dr. Armstrong, Montreal, Secretary.

For New Brunswick: Dr. Currie, Fredericton, President; Dr. Lunam, Campbelltown, Secretary.

For Nova Scotia: Dr. Nickwin, Halifax, President; Dr. Trueman, Sackville, Secretary.

For Manitoba: Dr. Blanchard, Winnipeg, President; Dr. Chown, Winnipeg, Secretary.

For British Columbia: Dr. N. True, New Westminster, President; Dr. Milne, Victoria, Secretary.

The next place of meeting will be Ottawa.

### THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Board met at 2 p.m., 24th ult., Dr. F. Rae, Oshawa, the recently appointed Chairman, being in the chair. There were also present Dr. Covernton, Dr. Cassidy, Dr. Bryce, Dr. McKay, of Woodstock, and Dr. McDonald, of Hamilton.

The Secretary presented a large number of communications, and indicated the action taken by him in relation to each. They included many local nuisances, where, in consequence of vested interests, it seems frequently very difficult for Local Boards to deal effectively with them.

The Secretary thereafter presented his report of an inspection made under Cap. 7, Stat. 1887, of proposed new site for a cemetery at Bradford. The report introduced a discussion on the subject on intramural burials; and other members of the Board urged the duty of the Board to be very circumspect in the matter of giving its sanction to intramural burials of any kind.

Dr. Covernton thought the Board should be careful in sanctioning intramural cemeteries. The growth of Toronto was such that a cemetery on the outskirts of the city would, in a few years, be in a thickly-inhabited section. There were a large number of houses quite close to St. James' Cemetery. Then there were two cathedrals, St. Michael's and St. James', where persons had been actually buried in places of worship. The Board of Health ought to express itself entirely against this practice.