

of Toronto, Hamilton, and Peterboro' may be assigned the initiation of this effort. Upon you, gentlemen, now devolves the successful completion, and I have no doubt that the requisite earnestness of purpose will not be found wanting for the consummation of so desirable an end.

The first in order of business will be the enrolment of members. I may here mention that in view of the numerous society subscription calls, it was deemed judicious at the informal Committee-meeting to fix annual dues at \$2.00, those present, paying, at the time the sum named. It is for you to determine whether that or a larger subscription fee shall be charged.

The first order of business was the enrolment of members, about 100 (subsequently increased to 127) signing the book. The constitution and by-laws (as adopted by the conjoint committee from Hamilton and Toronto) were then read by the Provisional Secretary, Dr. J. E. White, and, after considerable discussion and some modification, adopted. (The Constitution and By-Laws will be printed together with a list of the officers and members, and a copy will be furnished to each member. Members of the profession who have not yet joined the Association can secure copies on application to the Treasurer, Dr. J. E. Graham, or the General Secretary, Dr. J. E. White, Toronto.)

A committee was then appointed consisting of Drs. McDonald, Hamilton, G. Wright, Burns, Fulton, Toronto; Yeomans, Mount Forest; Carney, Windsor; Allison, Bowmanville; Campbell, Seaforth; Hamilton, Port Hope; and Rosebrugh, Hamilton, to nominate the officers for the society, and to report at the afternoon session. The meeting then adjourned until 2 p.m.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Although the hour fixed for the afternoon session was two o'clock, the meeting was not called to order until three, those present being interested in examining a display of surgical and other instruments which were on exhibition. The Report of the Nominating Committee was then presented, and the following officers were elected unanimously, viz. :—

President, Dr. Workman, Toronto; 1st Vice-President, Dr. Irwin, Kingston; 2nd Vice-President, Dr. Tye, Chatham; 3rd Vice-President, Dr. Macdonald, Hamilton; 4th Vice-President, Dr. McMillan, Alexandria.

General Secretary, Dr. White, Toronto; Treasurer, Dr. Graham, Toronto.

Corresponding Secretaries—Dr. Stewart, Brucefield; Dr. Woolverton, Hamilton; Dr. Hamilton, Port Hope; Dr. McDonald, Alexandria.

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

Committees on Credentials—Dr. Pyne, Toronto; Dr. McGregor, Chatsworth; Dr. Beeman, Centreville.

Committee on Public Health—Dr. Douglas, Port Elgin; Dr. Flayter, Toronto; Dr. Allison, Bowmanville; Dr. Oldright, Toronto.

Committee on Legislation—Dr. Ecroyd, Mount Forest; Dr. Spohn, Penetanguishene; Dr. Sloan, Blyth; Dr. G. Wright, Toronto; Dr. Covernton, Toronto; Dr. Mullin, Hamilton.

Committee of Publication—Dr. Fulton, Dr. Cameron, Dr. Burns, Toronto; Dr. White, secretary, and Dr. Graham, treasurer, permanent members.

Committee on By-Laws—Dr. Bray, Chatham; Dr. A. H. Wright, Toronto; Dr. Moore, Tamworth; Dr. Tanner, Holstein; Dr. Cotton, Mount Forest; Dr. Bowlby, Berlin.

Committee on Medical Ethics—Dr. Ghent, Priceville; Dr. C. O'Reilly, Toronto; Dr. G. McKelcan, Hamilton; Dr. Carney, Windsor; Dr. C. K. Clarke, Hamilton; and the place of meeting to be Toronto.

After the election of officers, Dr. Workman, on being called to the chair, and after expressing his sense of the dignity and importance of the office, and his appreciation of the high honor which had been conferred upon him in calling him thereto; and after according due acknowledgments to the labours of the Preliminary Committee, and especially its Hamilton members, went on to say that he was entirely at a loss to know the reason for his selection, unless, indeed, it had been remembered that he once lectured up on midwifery and it was hence supposed that he was thereby qualified to preside at the birth of the new association. But