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THE CONGRESS OF AMERICAN PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS.

The meeting of the recent Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons at Washington, under the presidency of Dr. Billings, was in all respects a great success. Founded on a purely scientific basis, it is fortunately free from medical politics, the bane of many medical associations. Composed almost entirely of the authors and teachers of the day, its meetings cannot fail to do much for the advancement of our profession. A very noticeable feature was the presence of a considerable number of distinguished English physicians and surgeons. In future numbers we intend referring in detail to a few of the more important papers and discussions.

CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

We devote considerable space in the present number to the minutes of the twenty-first annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association, which met in Ottawa under the presidency of Dr. George Ross of Montreal. In point of attendance the meeting was fully up to the average, while in the character of the papers presented we believe that it more than held its own with any previous meeting. Time and again we have referred in these columns to the really deplorable apathy shown by too many members of the profession in not attending these meetings. We have no hesitation whatever in saying that there is not a single member of the medical profession in our whole Dominion who would not have been greatly benefited by an attendance at