

Wednesday, 14th, was passed in work of the sections, a general meeting, election of officers, general business, luncheon, a visit to the exhibition, and a trip to the Yellowhead Pass.

Dr. H. G. MacKid, of Calgary, met with hearty applause during the delivery of the presidential address.

The holding of the convention in Edmonton marked the fact that the East was awakening to the importance of Western Canada. He referred to the early agitation for the appointment of a Dominion health department and which now seemed likely to succeed. Coincident with this was the success of the idea of a Dominion medical council with one standard of examination. He mentioned the splendid work done by Dr. Roddick, of Montreal, in this regard. The scope of the Association's work, continued the president, had widened enormously in the past few years.

Sir James Grant proposed a vote of thanks, which was seconded by Dr. Daniels, St. John, and carried unanimously.

On motion of Dr. Powell, Ottawa, seconded by Dr. Wright, Edmonton, a resolution was passed unanimously calling attention to the need of a department of public health for the Dominion.

A resolution was carried on motion of Dr. Senator Daniels, of St. John, N.B., seconded by Dr. Lafferty, thanking Dr. Roddick for the work that he had done in connection with the passage of the Roddick Act.

The Executive Council of the Canadian Medical Association will consist of Drs. Whitland, Edmonton; Findlay, Montreal; Adami, Montreal; Halpenny, Winnipeg; Reeve, Toronto; McKechnie, Vancouver; Weld, Vancouver; Small, Ottawa; Kennedy, MacLeod; Daniels, St. John, N.B.; Madre, Halifax. Archibald, Montreal; Primrose, Toronto; Conroy, Charlottetown, and Young, Saskatoon.

Dr. Hugh McCallum, of London, Ont., was elected president of the Canadian Medical Association.

Among some of the distinguished persons in attendance may be mentioned Sir James Grant, of Ottawa; Senator Dr. Daniels, of St. John, N.B.; Mr. Giles, of London, Eng.; Mr. Sturm, of Chicago, a noted expert on hospital construction; Professor Broadus, of Alberta University; Dr. Adami, of Montreal; Dr. A. D. Blackader, of Montreal; Dr. G. E. Armstrong, of the same place, and Dr. Montizambert, of Ottawa, Dominion Medical Health Officer.

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#### A FEDERAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

By persistent effort a reform is often secured that at one time seemed rather doubtful. This will no doubt be so in the case of a Federal