Empysma and its Treatment by Valvular Drainage. By A. M. PHELPS, M.D., of Chauteauguay, N. Y. Read before Medico Chir. Soc. V., Montreal. (Reprint from Canada Med. and Surg. Journal.)

On some of the Effects of the Chronic Impaction of Gall-Stones in the Bile Passages; and on the "Fievre Intermittente Hépatique" of Charcot. By WM. OSLER, M.D., M.R.C.P., London; Prof. Institutes of Medicine, McGill College. (Reprint from Medical Times and Gazette.)

Stenosis of Larynx, with Fibrous Adhesive Bands of the True Vocal Cords; Tracheotomy, Rupture of Bands and Cure of Stenosis by General and Local Treatment. Some remarks concerning the value of the Galvano-Cautery in the treatment of Diseases and Growths of the Naso-Pharynx. By W. H. DALY, M.D., Pittsburg. (Reprint from the Transactions of the American Medical Association, 1880).

First Annual Report of the Astronomer in charge of the Horological and Thermometric Bureaus of the Winchester Observatory of Yale College. 1880-'81. By LEONARD WALDO.

We learn from this report that during the year 1,957 certificates of thermometers of all classes have been issued; that of these, 1,667 were designed for physicians, use and physiological research. The result has been that instruments sent to them for certification have been found to be much more correct of late owing to the fact of their being liable to be subjected to this test, and to the observatory having loaned to makers standards for their guidance. The opinion is expressed that the great majority of physicians' thermometers now in use in the United States are from one-half to two degrees too high in their indications. There can be no longer any excuse for the use of an instrument whose degree of error is unknown.

## APPOINTMENTS.

Thomas Norton, of the village of Horning's Mills, Joseph Carbert and James Henry, of the town of Orangeville, and Robert Lawrence, of the village of Mona Mills, Esquires, Doctors of Medicine, and Thomas Turnbull, of the village of Mono Centre, Esquire, to be coroners in and for the county of Dufferin.

## Meetings of Medical Societies.

## CANADA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of the Canada Medical Association, was held in the Chamber of the Legislative Council, at Halifax, August 3rd and 4th.

The President, Dr. Canniff, of Toronto, called the meeting to order at 10.30 a.m., on the first day, about fifty members being present. The Hon. Dr. Parker, of Halifax, presented the report of the Committee of Arrangements.

On motion of Dr. D. Clark, seconded by Dr. Oldright, Dr. Strong, Superintendent of the Cleveland Lunatic Asylum, was elected a member by invitation. Dr. Strong, and the Ex-Presidents present were requested to take seats by the President. The Military and Naval Surgeons of Halifax were elected members by invitation.

Drs. MacDonald, Slayter, Harrington, Lanigan, Townshend, and Fitch were elected permanent members. The Secretary read a communication from the Sandy Cove Sea-bathing Company, offering the use of their baths to members of the Association and their families. It was decided on motion of Dr. Botsford, that the delivery of the President's address should be the first order of business at the afternoon session.

Dr. Reid, of Mount Asylum, Halifax, the Chairman of the Committee on Practice of Medicine, then read his report, in which he discussed general paresis. It was decided to have the discussion of the report immediately after the President's address.

Dr. Stewart, of Brucefield, read the Report of the Committee on Therapeutics. The discussion to take place after that of Dr. Reid's.

Dr. Oldright, of Toronto, gave a short verbal report from the Committee on Climatology and Epidemic Diseases.

The President read the Report of the Committee on Vital Statistics. It was decided to discuss the report at a future time.

On motion of Dr. Botsford, seconded by Dr. Hingston, the following were appointed the Nominating Committee, Drs. Robillard, Ross, and Fenwick, of Montreal; Eccles, of London; Dr. Clark, and Oldright, of Toronto; Lawson,