

books with space for 25,000 volumes. There should be an auditorium with capacity to seat 400 persons. A pleasing feature of the report was the announcement that Mr. J. W. Flavelle had donated \$200 to the Academy to be used in any way that might seem best. The President said that this should be invested as the nucleus of a fund from which to provide light refreshments after the meetings were over. The Academy was steadily gaining in numbers, strength and influence.

The Library Committee's report, read by Dr. John Ferguson, showed that there were 5,353 volumes in the general library, 300 in the Bovell section, and 40 in the Workman section. There had been added to the library 201 volumes during the year. Of these, 111 were donated. The total number of volumes, now 5,683, is of very great value. Besides these volumes, there are very many rare reprints and periodicals.

The general meetings and those of the sections were well attended, and much valuable and interesting work was done. Among those who gave addresses were Dr. C. A. B. Camac, of New York; Dr. Thomas McRae, of Baltimore; Dr. John G. Clark, of Philadelphia; Dr. Richard M. Pearce, of Philadelphia, and Dr. Richard C. Cabot, of Boston.

The following resolutions were adopted regarding fee splitting:

(a) That the payment of a commission to any person, or persons, who may be instrumental in influencing a patient, or patients, to apply for professional advice, is wrong in principle, and detrimental to the best interests of our profession.

(b) That when two or more practitioners are engaged in a case, the disposition of the respective fees shall only be made with the knowledge and consent of the patient.

(c) We agree that the attending physician has often been inadequately paid for his services.

The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Dr. R. A. Reeve; Vice-President, Dr. H. J. Hamilton; Past President, Dr. N. A. Powell; Hon. Secretary, Dr. Hartley Smith; Hon. Treasurer, Dr. W. A. Young; elected to the Council, Drs. John Ferguson, H. A. Bruce, E. E. King, George Bingham, A. A. Macdonald, W. H. B. Aikins, Graham Chambers, J. H. Elliott. The Chairmen of the Sections, and also members of the Council are: Dr. H. B. Anderson in Medicine, Dr. G. Boyd in Ophthalmology and Otology, Dr. Addison in State Medicine, Dr. G. Silverthorne in Surgery, Dr. J. B. Leathes in Pathology, and Dr. Rudolf in Pediatrics.

THE CASE OF DR. A. H. GARRATT.

The action of a party by the name of Mr. Albert Burnett, brought against the Toronto Street Railway Company, has been well ventilated in