

## Society Proceedings.

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### THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

(Special Correspondence.)

It was fitting that the 31st meeting of this Association should this year be held in the historic city of Quebec, where thirty one years ago it had its birth.

While it is regrettable that the meetings were poorly attended, and the papers as a rule trivial, the session will go on record as one in which good honest work was done in the cause of medical reform in the Dominion. The meetings were held in the Laval University on Aug. 17th, 18th and 19th, and the arrangements were under the able direction of a local committee of which Dr. C. S. Parke was President and Dr. A. Marois, Secretary. To these gentlemen many thanks are due for their unremitting labours to promote the welfare of the meeting and the happiness of the delegates. Unfortunately the *Salle de Promotions* where the sessions were held was up at the top of the building a fact which was of some importance to the heavy-weights of the party.

The meetings were under the presidency of Dr. J. M. Beausoleil, of Montreal, and the following American visitors were present, Drs. Gibney, Valentine and Foster, New York; Laplace, Philadelphia.

The chairman of the local committee, Dr. Parke welcomed the delegates to Quebec, and Alderman Foley, in the absence of Mayor Parent, also read a formal address of greeting.

The members then adjourned to visit the laboratories and museum of Laval University, and returned at 4.30 p.m., to begin business.

In his presidential address Dr. Beausoleil restricted his remarks to the subject of Interprovincial Registration. Among other things he said:—"It is now almost thirty-one years since our Association sprang into existence in this hospitable and picturesque city of Quebec. Professional brotherhood then received recognition in all quarters of this country. The Canadian medical family was then formed. Now it may march onward to the accomplishment of the object for which it was given life: The promotion of science; the protection of professional interests. A distinguished man, one of the Fathers of Confederation, Dr. Tupper—Sir Charles Tupper—was our first President.