The first paper read was one by Dr. James Bell, of Montreal. It was, of course, a purely technical one, of little interest to the general public, but valuable in a pathological sense to the profession, the subject being "A series of cases of calculous obstruction of the common bile duct, treated by incision of the duct and removal of the stones."

All those who were present, including the visitors, were loud in their praises of this paper. They also expressed their surprise at the large number of cases of this unusual condition observed in a city of the size of Montreal.

At 10.30 the members adjourned in order to take part in the excursion to the Quarantine Station, which left the Queen's Wharf at 11 a.m.

The trip to Grosse Isle was one of the most pleasant imaginable, and was participated in by fully 200 persons, including a large number of ladies, who lent color and brilliancy to the occasion. The steamer, too, was comfortable and roomy in the extreme, the *Aberdeen* having been courteously placed at the disposal of the Association by the Department of Marine and Fisheries. Commodore J. U. Gregory and Mr. O'Farrel accompanied the party, and did all in their power to promote the general enjoyment, while the members of the local committee were perfectly indefatigable.

At noon a splendid lunch was served on board the *Aberdeen* by Mr. Douglass, who was aided by Mrs. Douglass and a large staff of waiters. It is needless, after mentioning this fact, to state that the luncheon was as fine as anyone could ask for, and it was beautifully served.

Arrived at the Island, the visitors inspected the Quarantine Station from beginning to end, including the passengers' quarters, disinfecting and fumigating apparatus' laboratory, etc., and universally pronounced it equal to any on the continent, and a tribute to the skill and zeal of Dr. Montizambert and his able staff of assistants. The burying ground, too, in which 5,424 victims of the typhus fever plague of 1847 lie buried, was likewise visited, and was viewed with the greatest interest. Shortly before four o'clock the return journey was begun, and as the steamer left the Quaran, tine Station three hearty cheers were given for Dr. Montizambertwho, with Dr. Church, took the visitors in hand at the island. After a remarkably pleasant sail the *Aberdeen* returned to Quebec at 6.30 p.m.

On the return trip meetings of the Nomination Committee on International Registration were held, and they then finished their labors.