

most highly appreciated. In the Medical Section Dr. Dupuis' communication on Medical Ethics caused no little commotion. It struck at the root of all principles of professional conduct, and under a proper system of supervision of papers its presentation would not have been allowed. We sincerely hope that the Doctor's practice is better than his profession. The excursion among the Thousand Islands tendered by the local physicians to the Association was a most delightful affair in which some two hundred joined. Montreal is to be the next place of meeting, and it is hoped that arrangements may be made to hold it just before the British Association for the advancement of science in order that members may remain and take part in that gathering which will embrace many of the leading medical men of England. A warm invitation was received from Winnipeg to meet in that city, but the general feeling was in favor of Montreal. The result of these meetings is not expressed in the amount of work done—that is often the smallest part. More important, deeper and far-reaching is the influence exerted by the social intercourse of men from all parts of the country. New friendships are formed, old ones cemented; sectional differences and jealousies are forgotten, and men return to their work stimulated and refreshed.

MILITIA SURGEONS.

The militia surgeons attending the Kingston meeting, took advantage of the occasion to discuss their grievances. The following recommendations presented by Dr. Thorburn to the Canada Medical Association, received the approval of the meeting. We feel sure that the courteous Minister of Militia will do what he can to have these matters put in order.

1. The organization of a militia medical department, with a chief medical officer at headquarters.
2. That the senior medical officer in each military district be appointed principal medical officer.
3. That substantive rank be granted to all military medical officers.
4. That the medical department shall be supplied with all necessary equipment for the use of the force when required.
5. That it be further submitted to the honorable, the Minister of Militia, the advisability of changing the titles and designations of Canadian medical officers, so that they will correspond with those held by the medical officers of the British service; thus, surgeon instead of assistant surgeon, surgeon-major instead of surgeon, brigade surgeon instead of surgeon-major, deputy surgeon-general, etc.
6. That the scale of pay and allowances of the militia medical department be assimilated to that of corresponding ranks of the British medical department.