

the injuries inflicted on the tissues by ether are much less than those that result from alcohol: the chief disturbances brought about being an inflammatory state of the stomach and peripheral neuritis. The vascular and connective tissue changes so common among the alcoholic inebriates are not met with among ether drinkers.

THE CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The twenty-third annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association, held in Toronto on the 9th, 10th and 11th ultimo, was in some respects a disappointing gathering. The registered attendance only reached one hundred and five. When we consider that there are, in the Provinces of Quebec and Ontario alone, considerably upwards of 3,000 regular medical practitioners, it does not speak much for their interest in professional work to find that only one in thirty of their number were present at a meeting organized solely for the purpose of promoting matters relating to their profession. This lack of interest in an Association which has done so much, especially in its early days, to advance our common interests is deeply to be deplored.

How to infuse a living interest into the thousands of our numbers who are sleeping the sleep of indifference is a problem of first importance.

In a scientific sense the meeting was fully up to the average of past years. All the addresses and many of the papers read were of a high order. The members of the profession in Toronto who were present exerted themselves in every way to make the stay of their outside brethren both pleasant and profitable. Dr. Ross, the genial president, was especially active in doing his utmost to make all visitors feel at home.

NOTES.

—Dr. Praeger, of Nanaimo, was the only representative from the far Pacific Coast at the Canadian Medical Association meeting. He deserves great credit for spending so much time and money to be present. His able remarks added much to the interest of the meeting.

—We were pleased to meet Dr. Muir of Truro, N.S., and