A vote of thanks was passed to Dr. LaRoque for his very complete report.

The following were appointed as Nominating Committee: Drs. Botsford, G. E. Fenwick, Grant, Graham, Rodger, Brady, Worthington, Malloch, Oliver, Tye, Sweetland, Canniff, Oldwright and Yeomans.

The meeting then adjourned for lunch.

## GENERAL MEETING.

The Association met at 2 p.m., Dr. Tye (Hamilton), Vice-President, in the chair.

The PRESIDENT (Dr. Mullin) returned thanks for the honor conferred upon him. After making a brief allusion to the death of Dr. David of Montreal, late secretary of the Association, whom he described as a man of the strictest integrity, of the highest sense of honor, and an example to young men, he said that each of the medical societies had its sphere of usefulness. The county, city and provincial associations could do work that would advance the interest and knowledge of the members of the profession, but the highest and best results are to be attained by the Association gathering together each year the members of the profession from all parts of the Dominion, who, in the discussions, would reflect the progress they were able to make. He said he would not attempt even a slight sketch of the work of the past year, but would confine himself to one subject: The agencies through which the decomposition of organic substances was effected. After an able and eloquent address on this subject. he said, in conclusion: Our present knowledge is in accordance with what was long since found true, that in contagious fevers and tubercular diseases our efforts must depend to a great extent on our success in teaching the public to rely less upon antidotes and more upon those means which tend to build up strong frames capable of withstanding the agencies causing disease.

Dr. Graham of Toronto was nominated chairman of the Medical Section, and Dr. Tye of Hamilton of the Surgical Section. The meeting then divided into sections.

## MEDICAL SECTION.

The section met at 2.30 p.m., Dr. Graham in the chair. Dr. Playter (Toronto) read a paper on "Diet as a Thera-