

ASSOCIATION OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF ASYLUMS.

The 35th annual meeting of the Association of Medical Superintendents of American Institutions for the Insane, was held in the Rossin House, Toronto, on Tuesday, 14th June, and the three following days, under the Presidency of Dr. John H. Callender, of Nashville, Tenn., the Vice-president, in the unavoidable absence of the President, Dr. Walker. Forty-one members were present, and by the courtesy of the Association a number of local and other gentlemen, and the members of the profession generally in the city were invited to attend. Memoirs of Drs. Isaac Ray, W. S. Chipley, Joseph T. Webb, and Robt. F. Baldwin, deceased members of the Association, were read and entered on the minutes. Papers were read by Dr. Everts on the "American System of Public Provision for the Insane, and Despotism in Lunatic Asylums;" Dr. Joseph Workman on "Some Points in the Management of American Institutions for the Insane" (which we hope to publish soon); Dr. Hughes, on "Cephalic and Spinal Electrization;" Dr. Hurd on "A Plea for Systematic Therapeutical, Statistical, and Clinical Study of Mental Disorders;" Dr. Fauntleroy on "A Case of Extensive Gunshot Injury to Brain without Mental Disorder;" Dr. Barksdale on "A case of Extraordinary Size of Brain and Skull in a Negro;" Dr. Gundry on "Separate Institutions for certain Classes of the Insane;" and a further paper by Dr. Hurd, containing the report of a case with post-mortem examination. Drs. C. Lockhart Robertson, England; A. Motet, Paris, Tamburini, Italy, and F. S. Clouston, Scotland, were elected honorary members. The members visited the chief points of interest in the city and suburbs; were entertained at dinner by the Ontario Superintendents, and the Inspector of Asylums and Prisons, Mr. Langmuir; were received with their ladies at Government House, by Hon. John Beverley and Mrs. Robinson; attended a moonlight excursion on the *Chicora*, given by the Ontario Government; an excursion to Lorne Park, given by the New England Society, and a conversazione in the Normal School

building, given by the medical Profession of the city. Many expressions of friendship and confraternity were interchanged, and after numerous valedictory resolutions of gratulation and goodwill the meeting adjourned at half-past 11, on Friday night, to meet again in Cincinnati, Ohio, on 30th May, 1882. Ten years have elapsed since the Association last met within our walls. May the next decade again give them welcome in our midst, and also witness an equal advance in material prosperity and scientific progress with the past!

MEETING OF THE CANADA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

All indications point to a successful meeting of this Association at Halifax, on the 3rd of August. The Hon. Dr. Parker, Dr. Lawson, and others of Halifax, have been most assiduous in their endeavours to make every preparation for the reception of those attending, and, in their labours, have received kind assistance from many in the Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Prince Edward Island; and we feel assured that those from the "far West" in Ontario, as well as those from Quebec, will feel amply repaid for their journey to "the East," although it may be a very long one. We will miss some familiar faces, as a number of the most faithful members, such as Drs. Howard, Osler, Rosebrugh, Grant, and Reeve, will in the same days be acting in the larger sphere of the International Medical Congress, in London.

The Meeting will be held in the Council Chamber of the Government Buildings. The Government of Nova Scotia, kindly appreciating the importance of the gathering, will do the Association the honor of entertaining them at a dinner. It will be a source of great disappointment to many to find that the genial, hospitable, and well-known Vice-president of Nova Scotia, Dr. Parker, will be compelled, by the cruel fates of unavoidable and accidental circumstances, to be absent.

Among the papers promised, we may mention, first, the address of the President, Dr. Canniff. Subject: "Medical Ethics." Paper by Dr. Oldright, of Toronto, on "Local Treat-