

as in England. I have also urged the Attorney General to copy three clauses of Sir James Graham's new bill, containing the Registry, inability of non-registered Practitioners to hold Medical offices, give evidence in Courts of Law, sue for fees, penalties &c. in addition to which I have recommended that all examinations for Diplomas be public, as in the "Concours" in Paris, where the Candidates are compelled to perform dissections, operations, &c. on the body.

To myself individually, these changes can be of trifling importance, I should wish, however, to see in the country of my adoption, the Profession of Medicine placed on the highest pedestal of integrity, honor and skill ; but, which the present Bill, if not much altered and improved, will do little to effect.

I respectfully urge you gentlemen, to render every assistance in your power to prevail upon the Attorney General Smith to do an act of justice to the Profession, by delaying this proposed Bill.

I remain,

Yours very respectfully,

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We cordially agree in the suggestions of our correspondent, but altho' we have reason to fear, that the Bill as now proposed will not be much improved this session, yet, we live in hopes, that with the establishment of a general Medical Association in Canada, all the subjects above referred to and *many others* affecting the interests of our Profession will be canvassed and settled before the next session of Parliament. Our correspondent may rely on *our* not hybernating during the interval.—*Edrs. M. M. Gaz.*

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## PECULIAR AFFECTION OF VISION.

BY DR. VON IFFLAND.

June 10, 1839.—J. M. The vision of both eyes is considerably impaired ; with the right eye he can read with exertion at the usual distance ; the print, however, appears very soon indistinct, but after closing the eye for some time, he again sees distinctly. With the left eye, he can discover paragraphs but not the letters. The eyes have a peculiar expression, less lively than usual. No speck nor opacity can be perceived within the cornea. The pupils appear dilated, but very slightly—they contract almost equally in both eyes on the approach of light. He feels no pain except occasionally over the right eye. He first observed indistinctness in this, about a year ago ; it began with the appearance of black spots floating before him. He has had also shooting pains of his head, principally over the eye. About four months previously to his consulting me, the left eye became affected. The right has since been better. He was obliged to leave his professional avocations, about three months since. The indistinctness of vision, has varied much on different days. He has lately had a blister to the back of his neck, and to his left temple, which produced much relief to the pains in his head, but, his sight continues as before. He