

given by Philo-Medicus, but really for this last word we must substitute, for euphony's sake, "advantage to themselves."

The positions which we assumed in our last leader, then, we maintain to the minutest tittle :

1. That the Medical Faculty of McGill College, having the power of conferring degrees, should likewise have power granted to them by the Legislature of at once, (without any farther "*useless formality,*") recommending to the Executive, for license to practice, such gentlemen as they shall have found worthy of their *summos honores*.

2. That the attestation of Foreign Diplomas is not only *legitimate* but *necessary*.

3. That the Board, as now constituted, is entirely dismantled of power.

4. That the District Medical Board should consist of *entirely disinterested members*, of individuals *altogether unconnected with Public Medical Schools*.

And lastly, That the necessity for the existence of a District Medical Board must *ever* be, as it would at all times be the only competent authority for the examination of the Diplomas of strangers, and their attestations.

Such were the positions with which we set out; to such we adhere; such was the meaning conveyed by our expressions; such we have recorded them; and any others promulgated in our name, by Philo-Medicus, or any other person, we hesitate not to declare as wanton misrepresentations, and further, that the promulgators knew them to be so.

In conclusion, we cannot but remark, that the observations made by Philo-Medicus, with reference to political opinions actually entertained by ourselves, are dictated by the same bad taste as that which pervades his whole communication. We are of this opinion, however, that the Members of our Profession, as well as those of its Sister, the Church, should on all occasions feel the influence of strong necessity, before they meddle at all with politics. This has ever been our maxim, and we earnestly and sincerely trust that we shall ever be influenced by it; we have neither the time nor the inclination to wander from the path of duty, connected with that vocation to which it has pleased God to