

XX. Every member of the medical profession who, at the time of the passing of this Act, may be possessed of a *license* to practice medicine, surgery and midwifery in the Province of Quebec, shall, on the payment of the fee of one dollar, be entitled to be registered on producing to the Registrar the document conferring or evidencing the qualifications in respect whereof he seeks to be so registered, or upon transmitting by post to such Registrar information of his name and address, and evidence of the qualifications in respect whereof he seeks to be registered, and of the time or times at which the same was or were respectively obtained, *provided he register within one year* from the passing of this Act.

Again, in clause XXVIII. we find: That the present Board of Governors, elected under the provisions of the Acts hereinbefore repealed, shall be continued and shall act until after the next triennial election, but subject in all other respects to the provisions of this Act. There is no provision in this Act for holding a triennial election, and if such did exist there would be no members of the college as created under this Act who would be eligible for election as governors. It follows, therefore, that no new election can take place, as would have occurred under the old Act, in July next. The present Board of Governors are continued in office by the terms of the new Act, and until relief is obtained at the next session of Parliament no new election can be held. This we believe to be the position in which the profession is placed. This question with others, however, has been submitted to counsel for an opinion. The existence of powers of the college to examine students on preliminary subjects is another *questio vexata*. This will be discussed; but we do not see that the Act gives the right to the college to examine at all. Examiners have to be appointed to do the work, and the subjects to be examined upon are prescribed by the Act. The college may fix the time and place. This point appears to us clear. The By-laws, rules and regulations made by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, shall remain in force, but subject in all other respects to the provisions of the new act, so that since by that act the Board of Governors of the College is not authorized to conduct examinations on preliminary subjects, so will it find itself powerless to conduct those examinations except by deputy.