

"Further, I want to state that there is no class of men who have done more for the good of the Province and have done it at less cost than the medical men of the Province of Ontario. I am not ashamed of standing up in this House as I did. In years to come perhaps I will be justified. I therefore withdraw this bill to bring it up again at some future time."

We think that Dr. Forbes Godfrey merits the thanks of the medical profession for his manly stand. To unsex a criminal is neither a serious nor a difficult task. It has the effect of rendering it impossible for him to leave any progeny behind him. It has the other effect of making him more amenable to discipline and often rids him of criminal impulses. This is good for the person and for posterity. We give the bill elsewhere in this issue.

ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL.

The amendments that have just become law must effect good results in the working of the medical council. The amendments, though few, are very useful, and will remedy several glaring evils of the past.

The first amendment of importance is that as soon as any registered practitioner is convicted in any court in Ontario of a criminal offense his name is automatically removed from the register. This expedites matters, and saves the medical council the trouble and expense of going through the case again. This is important, as every day the council sits costs nearly \$1,000.

Another amendment is to the effect that the executive committee may now institute enquiry in alleged cases of infamous conduct. The executive reports to the council. This avoids a year's delay. As it formerly was the council ordered an investigation and nothing could be done until the next year. Valuable time was thus lost.

One more amendment of importance is that when a registered letter is sent to the last address given by a registered practitioner, he will be considered as having been served. There is a case at present in which the council cannot act, because the whereabouts of the doctor is not known, and cannot be served. The amendment will overcome this difficulty.

A new district has been created for Thunder Bay and Rainy River. It was contended by Dr. Smillie, of the Sault, that this large territory will in course of time have a large number of doctors and this view prevailed.

By looking over the report of the West Toronto District meeting, it will be seen that much dissatisfaction was expressed regarding the