

## DR. BEAUMONT'S CASE OF ANEURISM.

"At a meeting of the Officers of the Toronto General Hospital, convened at the request of Dr. Beaumont, to take into consideration the best course to be adopted to correct certain erroneous statements published in the Upper Canada Medical Journal by Dr. Stratford, the following correspondence was read :

'Yonge St., Toronto, Jan. 17, 1854.

'SIR,

'I was present at your very interesting Lecture on Monday last, and I have the notes of it, given me by one of the students. I am desirous of publishing it in the Medical Journal, as there is so great an interest excited by the case. Now I have thought it my duty to mention this fact to you, as I most certainly do not desire to annoy or offend in the slightest degree, but as a public Journalist I conceive that so important a case cannot be passed by in silence ; indeed, were you disposed, I should like to publish your ideas upon the matter, rather than trust to the notes of a medical student, fearing that your sentiments might be inadvertently mis-interpreted.

'I remain, Sir, your ob't. S't.

'S. J. STRATFORD.

'Ed. U. C. M. J.

'Dr. Beaumont, &c., Toronto.'

"In reply to the above letter Dr. Beaumont wrote to Dr. Stratford, stating, 'that he could not consent to the publication of the Clinical Lecture on Traumatic Carotid Aneurism from notes taken by a student, unless such notes and the proof should first be corrected by Dr. Beaumont, and which he was willing to do, if such notes were tolerably accurate.'

'Two or three weeks after this a proof sheet was sent to Dr. Beaumont for correction, in the heading of which it was stated that the lecture in question was given from memory ; whereupon the following letter from Dr. Beaumont was written.

'TORONTO, Feb. 21, 1854.

'SIR,

"I had stated that I should be willing to correct the notes of a Clinical Lecture which I gave on a case of Traumatic Carotid Aneurism, '*if such notes were tolerably accurate.*'

'The proof which you have sent me contains a great deal which I did not say, and gives very incorrectly and imperfectly parts of the lecture, as well as the quotations from Guthrie.