

Hon. Mr. Lynch, nearly lost his election on this question of the Medical tariff, and a more unjust cry was never raised against a political opponent. He was variously accused of having introduced the Bill which gave authority for the tariff, and, secondly, of having recommended its adoption by the Lieut.-Governor. The first charge was untrue, and the second, although partially true was simply a matter of routine.

But among a rural population, many of whom have but the faintest idea of the value of a physician's services these charges were believed, and their assumed author thought deserving of rejection by his constituents, whom he had otherwise served faithfully. So far as we can learn, it was not the smaller items of visits, &c., which caused the alarm, but the large sums put down for major and special operations. One *gentleman* is reported to have said, "there now, how could I afford to pay \$500 if an *ovariotomy* had to be performed on me." And yet a man, with an intelligence capable of making such a statement, is often a power in political contests. Mr. Lynch in his address promised to get the tariff repealed, and, honorable man as he is, we have no doubt but that he will try to be as good as his word. It was perhaps necessary to make this statement to save himself. If so, we regret it, for it compels him, in all probability, to take action, previous to the meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. We say that we regret it, for we feel assured that if action by the Legislature can be stayed the Governors of the Provincial Medical Board will, in all probability, see their way once more to adopt a separate tariff for the country, and make it fair and reasonable as was the tariff of 1877. In Montreal, through the *Daily Star*, a number of correspondents attempted to create a feeling against the tariff, with but very partial success. They led to patients making, in a few instances, enquiries from their Medical men, and receiving replies which were satisfactory. So far as cities are concerned the tariff which came into force on the 21st of November last, as a maximum tariff, is not at all an extravagant one; on the contrary, it is fair and reasonable—exceedingly so, when compared with the prices paid in cities of over 50,000 inhabitants in the United States. Whatever may be the result of the cry raised in Brome, we trust our friend Mr. Lynch will act with caution, and, while keeping faith with his constituents, avoid acting unjustly toward a

class of professional men who are eagerly sought after when pain, pestilence and death abound in the land, but the value of whose services fade with returning health.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, P.Q.

The College has obtained judgment against Richard Birch of East Templeton for practicing without a license. The defendant has left the Province.

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PERSONAL.

Dr. Imrie (M.D., C.M., McGill, 1879), late House Surgeon of the Montreal General Hospital, and acting for a short period as Surgeon on the Allan Line of Steamships, has returned to Montreal.

Dr. H. B. Chandler (C. M., M.D., Bishops, 1880, and Wood Gold Medalist) has just completed his year as House Surgeon to St. Peter's Hospital, Brooklyn (150 beds). Dr. Chandler passed through Montreal the middle of November, *en route* for the West, where he intends to settle.

Dr. Wolfred Nelson (M.D., McGill and Bishops Colleges, 1872) formerly of Montreal, is now engaged in most extensive practice at Panama. From the *Panama Herald* of the 27th of October we learn that the contractors for the Canal Company are engaged building hospitals for their employees, and have placed them under the direction and care of Dr. Wolfred Nelson.

Dr. George W. Nelson (M.D., Bishops College.