

'That Your Petitioner is strongly impressed with the necessity of some more stringent Legislative provision for the encouragement of the practice of Vaccination in this Province.

That with the view to effect the same, your Petitioner humbly solicits of your Honorable House the passing of a Bill requiring all Hospitals throughout this Province, which are now, or may hereafter be, in the receipt of Public Aid, to keep on hand, at all times, an adequate supply of Vaccine matter, for the undermentioned purposes, viz.,

Firstly.—In order to the Free Vaccination of all indigent persons who may personally apply to receive the same, at certain times to be set apart in each Hospital, for that purpose; such opportunity to be afforded at least twice in each and every week.

Secondly.—In order that all Practitioners of Medicine in this Province, or persons who may be authorized by the Superintendent General of Indian Affairs to make such applications on behalf of the Indian Tribes in Canada, may be at liberty to apply to, and receive from all such Hospitals reasonable supplies of Vaccine Matter, under the authority and direction of the Trustees of such Institution.

And your Petitioner furthermore solicits that any such Bill may contain a Provision requiring all Hospitals in this Province, receiving Public Aid, to report to the Legislature within fourteen days of the commencement of each and every Session, the number of persons who have applied for and received free Vaccination in such Institution within the year, also the number of Medical Practitioners supplied, together with the rules and regulations imposed in reference to the same.'

By reference to the Journals of the Legislature, it will be seen that the practice formerly pursued on an alarm of small-pox breaking out, was to issue an order in Council for general vaccination at the public expense throughout the Parishes—an expense which may be in future saved to the amount of thousands of pounds by adopting the above Bill, besides saving the lives of whole villages of the aborigines, who, when once the disease appears amongst them, are invariably swept off. The difficulty experienced by the medical profession throughout the Province in obtaining genuine vaccine virus, might also be in future effectually obviated."

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IN CHANCERY—TORONTO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE *vs.* VICTORIA COLLEGE.—We copy the following important decision from a late number of the *Toronto Colonist* :—

"It will be recollected by our readers that, during the last Session of Parliament, an item of £250 was set down in the Estimates for the