

## THURSDAY MORNING.

Dr. Wright said that at the present time there was an Act providing for inspectors in anatomy. The increased number of students required a large number of "subjects." At present there was a little difficulty in getting a sufficient number of subjects. He asked that the members of the council use their individual influence with the members of the Legislature to obtain the necessary laws, so that the necessities for anatomy might be obtained without outraging public feeling.

Dr. Burritt thought the council should take some definite action. The medical profession was treated shamefully at the last session of the Legislature. The bill which had passed the committee was thrown out of the House.

Dr. Geikie thought the matter was a very urgent one. If the supply of what was necessary for anatomy was kept up there would be no fear of outraging public feeling.

Dr. Bray moved "That it is desirable, in the interest of medical education, that increased facilities for the study of human anatomy should be provided, and that a committee consisting of the vice-president and members of the council residing at Toronto, be instructed to wait on the Ontario Government for the purpose of inducing the Legislature to pass the Anatomy Act, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to each member of said Legislature as embodying the views of the whole medical profession of Ontario." Carried.

*The Annual Assessment.*—A by-law for levying the annual assessment for 1885 was read a first time.

Dr. Douglas was opposed to the principle of collecting \$1 assessment every year from the members of the profession. There was great difficulty in collecting the money, and many who were opposed to the fee would not pay until the matter was placed in court. He thought it would be much better to charge the students \$10 or \$15 at the beginning of their career and do away with the annual fee.

Dr. Geikie did not think they should place any more burdens on students.

Dr. Bray thought if the fee were made larger the members would be more willing to pay. He moved that the annual fee be \$2 instead of \$1.

Dr. Wright thought that some penalty

should be attached to the non-payment of the fees. If that was done there would be less trouble. The medical Act would, however, have to be altered before any such change could be made.

Dr. Douglas moved that the consideration of the assessment by-law be referred to the Legislative Committee.—Lost.

Dr. Bray withdrew his motion, after which the by-law was read a second time and adopted.

*Resolutions.*—Dr. Burns moved that Drs. Cranston, Henderson, McDonald, and Edwards be a committee to act in conjunction with the Ontario Medical Association to obtain a grant for a pathological museum from the Local Legislature. Carried.

Dr. Fenwick moved that the examinations be held in future in Toronto. Lost.

Dr. Williams moved "That when the council is seeking further legislative powers from Parliament, we endeavour to obtain the right to appoint a medical practitioner in each electoral division, who shall have the right to tax all medical bills that may be under dispute and referred for his decision, and such decision have the same legal effect as the taxation of bills of costs by the taxing master of the legal profession." He thought the effect of having such an officer would be to keep a good many cases out of court, where so much of the disputed accounts was used up in costs. The profession would also be more reputable if such matters could be settled amicably or privately.

Dr. Bray heartily agreed with the suggestion, which he thought would effect good results for the profession.

The motion was carried.

Dr. Buchan moved that Drs. Geikie and Douglas be appointed to represent the Council at the approaching meeting of the British Medical Association and at the International Medical Congress at Copenhagen. Carried.

*Building Committee.*—Dr. Wright presented the report of the Building Committee. The Council then went into Committee of the Whole, Dr. Bray in the chair. The report stated that the committee had decided not to entertain the offer for the purchase of the old Zion Church and lot for \$15,000. The lowest price at which the property could be disposed of, they considered, was \$20,000. They recommended that a site be selected for the erection of