PAINLESS CAUSTIC POWDER.—Dr. Andrews, in the *Chicago Medical Review*, gives the following formula for Esmarch's painless caustic powder for the removal of morbid growths, cancer, &c.:—

Mix. Sprinkle thick every day on a surface either raw, or denuded of cuticle by a blister.

Dr. J. B. Lawford, of McGill College, Montreal, and Dr. J. F. W. Ross, of Toronto University, have successfully passed the necessary examination for the diploma of the Royal College of Physicians, Eng., and were admitted as Licentiates on the 29th of July. The former gentleman has since been appointed assistant House Physician, St. Thomas' Hospital, London.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF ONTARIO.—The following candidates passed successfully at the late matriculation examination of the above named College:—James M. Fraser, W. A. Richardson, W. C. Cousens, J. E. Stirling, E. H. Williams, L. G. Langstaff, Robert N. Fraser, A. B. Wilson, E. M. Cook, J. S. Draper, J. McCullough, J. Menzies.

LAVAL SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.—The authorities of Laval University. Quebec, have been served with a protest, at the instance of the Ecole de Medicine and Surgery of Montreal, calling upon them to cease their branch in that city, or legal proceedings would be instituted. This will be firmly resisted by Laval University.

L.R.C.P.&S., EDINBURGH.—The following gentlemen have successfully passed the examination and were admitted to the double qualification—L.R.C.P. and L.R.C.S. Edin., viz.:—J. A. Close, M.B., of Croydon, Ont.; J. McWilliams, M.B., of Thamesford, Ont., and P. H. Bryce, M.B., of Mount Pleasant, Ont.

DISEASES OF THE SKIN.—Dr. Bulkley is announced to deliver a course of twenty-four lectures on diseases of the skin in the New York Hospital, commencing Oct. 6th. The lectures will be delivered once a week, and are free to practitioners of medicine and medical students.

Dr. C. K. Clarke, assistant physician to the Lunatic Asylum, Toronto, has been transferred to a similar position in the Hamilton Asylum. He was made the recipient of an address and presentation by the officers and employès of the institution on the eve of his departure from Toronto. Dr. Covernton also received a similar testimonial on leaving the Hamilton Asylum.

CORONERS. — The following gentlemen have been appointed Assoc ate Coroners for their respective districts: — J. W. Bowman, M.D., of Moore, for the Co. of Lambton. A. M. Lynd, M.D., of Parkdale, for the Co. of York; and G. Tweedie, M.D., of Dresden, for the Co. of Kent.

COMMUTATION RATES.—We beg leave most respectfully to call the attention of the medical profession to our very liberal commutation rates with other journals for 1881. The rates quoted are invariably cash in advance. See advertisement.

REMOVAL OF GUNPOWDER MARKS.—The disfigurement produced by gunpowder accidents in which the particles are imbedded beneath the skin, may be removed by free vesication and removal of the epidermis.

Appointment.—Dr. Buchan, of Toronto, has been appointed as the representative of the Toronto University on the Medical Council of Ontario, in place of Dr. W. H. Ellis, resigned.

ACCIDENT.—We are glad to learn that Dr. Bowlby, of Waterford, Ont., who was severely injured in the knee a few weeks ago by a runaway team, is rapidly recovering.

Removal.—Dr. W. H. Vardon, formerly of Galt, Ont., has removed to this city, and commenced practice at 144 Bay street.

Reports of Societies.

TORONTO MEDICAL SOCIETY.

Canadian Institute.

June 30th, 1880.—The meeting was called to order at 8.15 p.m. by Dr. Covernton. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. The discussion upon Dr. Rosebrugh's