

Moved by Dr. Fielding, seconded by Dr. Hilary, "That this Association considers the publishing in the public press of a candidate's standing at the late examinations by an examiner a gross violating of confidence, which should be brought to the notice of the Medical Council at its next meeting."

Moved by Dr. McGill, seconded by Dr. Fielding, "That while this Association disapproves of any unseemly behaviour upon the part of candidates under examination before the Board, it desires to censure those examiners whose conduct at the late examinations was calculated to cause insubordination, and cover the medical profession in Ontario with disgrace."

It was also decided to adopt the United States code of medical ethics as a guide to professional intercourse.

A vote of thanks to and an expression of confidence in Dr. Allison, the division's representative at the Council, were passed.

#### BURLINGTON AND HOME MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

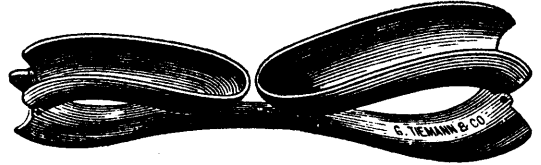
A meeting of the Burlington and Home Medical Association was held at the City Hall, Hamilton, on the 11th ult. The attendance was small. The Chairman, Dr. McDonald, explained that the object of the meeting was to discuss the action of the Examiners at the recent examination in Toronto. It was moved by Dr. Freeman, seconded by Dr. Miller,—"That this Association regrets the course pursued by the members of the Medical Council in appointing themselves a Board of Examiners, thus destroying public confidence in the Council as an efficient court of appeal." The resolution was carried unanimously.

#### New Instruments.

**MODIFICATION OF SIMS' SPECULUM.**—Dr. Dawson exhibited, at the New York Obstetrical Society some time since (*American Journal of Obstetrics*) his modification of Sims' speculum for the examination of very capacious vaginæ. It consists of an ordinary Sims' speculum, the blade of which is divided in the longitudinal direction, and arranged to dilate by means of a screw. It is introduced and dilated before traction is made, it having been found that the dilatation is more difficult after traction. The instrument is serviceable in operations on the posterior wall of the vagina which can easily be reached in its whole length when full dilatation is made and also when the relaxed and pendulous vaginal walls would be likely to overlap the sides of the ordinary Sims' speculum and obstruct the view.

Dr. Peaslee said that in this latter class of cases he generally uses an extremely large speculum, but thinks that Dr. Dawson's instrument is decidedly more simple and convenient.

The following cut represents another modification of Sims' speculum, by Dr. Dawson, a "folding



speculum." It is fitted with hinges which enable the blades to be folded up. It renders it more convenient for carrying about or for packing in a case

#### Books and Pamphlets.

**THE POPULAR HEALTH ALMANAC FOR 1876**; by F. Hoffman, New York. The aim and objects of this almanac is to displace the quack almanacs with which the U. S. and Canada is flooded; to expose the humbug mixtures, called "patent medicines" and to instruct the people in matters essential to health. The composition of many of the common nostrums is exposed, some of which we give below. All such efforts merit the endorsement of every physician and lover of humanity.

**Radway's Ready Relief.**—This is a light brown liquid, consisting of eight parts of soap liniment, one part of the tincture of capsicum, and one part of aqua ammonia. (Hager, Peckolt, Hoffman.)

**Radway's Renovating Resolvent.**—Each bottle contains about six fluid ounces of a vinous tincture of cardamon and ginger sweetened with sugar. (Hager.)

**Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery.**—Each bottle contains one drachm of the extract of lettuce, one ounce of honey, one-half drachm of the tincture of opium, three ounces of dilute alcohol, and three ounces of water. (Hager.)

**EXTRA-UTERINE PREGNANCY:** Its Causes, Species, Pathological Anatomy, Clinical History, Diagnosis, Prognosis, and Treatment. By John S. Parry, M.D., Obstet. to Philadelphia Hospital. Philadelphia: Henry C. Lea. 1876.

**CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.**—The Annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association will be held in Toronto on the 1st Wednesday in August. Steps should be taken as early as possible to make preparation for giving our friends from a distance a proper reception.

**REMOVAL.**—The Toronto Eye and Ear Infirmary has been removed to 153 Church St. See advt.