

and a committee was appointed to prepare a deliverance on the question, with a view to unite the Profession in opposition to the Act. The committee reported the draft of a circular, at a special meeting held on Tuesday evening, the 27th ult., which they proposed sending to every medical man in the Province. After a prolonged discussion, however, the report was rejected, and the following resolution adopted:—

Moved by Dr. Agnew, and seconded by Dr. Hall, and Resolved: That the Medical Section of the Canadian Institute having already protested against the Medical Act, so far as relates to the co-erced union with Homœopaths and Eclectics, in a Medical Council for the Province, further, respectfully, recommend our brethren, throughout the Electoral Divisions, who hold similar views with ourselves, to pledge their candidates for election to the Council to use every constitutional means to secure the repeal of those objectionable clauses. Carried.

The meeting then adjourned.

BEFORE the issue of our June number the election of members for the Medical Council will have taken place. We hope that the profession, appreciating their true interests, will use every exertion to place in that position men well qualified to discharge the duties appertaining thereto. As far as we can find out a number of the old members intend offering themselves for re-election. In the March number we inserted the New Bill, in full, with the territorial divisions annexed. In our April issue we gave the By-laws regulating the elections. The members of the profession will see that each of them will be supplied, by the registrar, with voting papers, which papers, after being filled up, should be sent to the returning officer of said division.

THE case of Jackson *vs.* Hyde, which has been reported very fully in the daily papers, and occupied the attention of the profession, came up again for trial by order of the Court, and terminated in a verdict non-suiting the plaintiff. The defendant's counsel contended that the action could not be sustained, inasmuch as it was commenced since the plaintiffs' marriage was consummated, and therefore the action was abated.

The Court decided in favour of the defendant on these grounds, and the plaintiff's counsel accepted the non-suit, under protest.

We notice that Dr. Grant has introduced a bill at the general sitting of the Dominion Parliament, to make the practice of Vaccination general, which was read a first time, and ordered for a second reading on Monday, the 3rd of May.

The Editor Dominion Medical Journal, Toronto.

SIR:—I beg to enclose a copy of resolutions passed at a meeting of the Medical Practitioners of Ottawa, held in the City Hall, on the 21st April, Doctor Van Courtland, in the Chair.

1. Moved by Dr. Leggo, seconded by Dr. Garvey, That, in the opinion of this meeting, the Medical Act of 1865, as well as the amended Act, entirely fail to afford any protection to the profession, or guarantee to the public that their interests will be secured.

2. Moved by Dr. Henry, seconded by J. Sweetland, That in the opinion of the meeting a petition should be presented to the Ontario Legislature, to secure the repeal of the clauses appended to the 5th Section of the amended Medical Act.

I remain, Sir, truly yours,

WALTER JAMES HENRY, M.D.,

Secretary.

### Reviews and Notices of Books.

COMPENDIUM OF PERCUSSION AND AUSCULTATION, AND OF THE PHYSICAL DIAGNOSIS OF DISEASES AFFECTING THE LUNGS AND HEART. By AUSTIN FLINT, M.D. Fourth Edition. W. Wood & Co., New York; W. Chewett & Co., Toronto.

The short preface fully explains the nature of the work:—"This little compendium was prepared several years ago, by request of a medical friend who intended it for insertion in an annual Physician's Visiting Book. The latter publication was abandoned, and the compendium was published by itself. It has been found convenient in aiding to memorize physical signs, by the private pupils of the writer, and by others, and it has been reprinted in compliance with a demand for this purpose. It is designed, not as a substitute for works treating of auscultation and percussion, but, on the contrary, to promote the study of treatises which consider fully these and other methods of physical exploration, together with the diagnosis of diseases affecting the respiratory organs and the heart."

#### TREATISE ON THE DISEASES OF THE EAR:

Including the Anatomy of the Organ. By ANTON VON TROELTSCH, M.D., Professor in the University of Wurzburg, Bavaria. Translated and Edited by D. B. ST. JOHN ROSSA, M.A., M.D. Second American, from the fourth German Edition. 1869. Wm. Wood & Co., New York. W. C. Chewett, & Co., Toronto.

This work, although nominally a revised edition, is in fact a new work. It is translated from the fourth German, and has been made large additions to by the translator. The original, also, has been improved, and added to by him; in fact, in many