

You have already approved, moreover, the most important part of these By-laws, relating to secret balloting. This amendment has been made. The next election will be held by secret balloting.

The part of the By-laws upon which the opinions of this Board differed, was that regarding charges and fees. We are pleased to declare that the tariff of our charges has remained practically the same. Only the cost of the federal certificate and of the federal license has been raised, and the premiums paid to unsuccessful candidates have been removed.

No additional tax whatever has been charged to the student nor the physician.

I have pleasure in declaring that, in the course of a lengthy discussion before the Canadian Medical Council, it has been clearly shown that it is in the Province of Quebec that the student and the physician pay the least for the education and the protection they receive.

I could not recall the task of the present Board without referring especially to the Discipline Council, to the eradication of illegal practise and to our finances.

THE DISCIPLINE COUNCIL

The Discipline Council sat only once in four years. The accused, who had been found guilty, appealed to the Superior Court. Unfortunately, he died even before the case was heard.

One must not weigh the importance of the Discipline Council according to that one case.

The Discipline Council sat only once in four years, of our internal administration. It is a sanction to our rights and a powerful help in the fulfilment of our duties.

I, as President, can testify that to recall the existence of the Discipline Council to a faulty member, is often sufficient to bring him back in the right path.

ILLEGAL PRACTICE

According to the recommendations made by a com-