

THE VACCINATION ACT.

We are happy to announce that this Bill, whose provisions will be found on page 185, vol. I, has passed its second reading without material amendment, if any indeed has been effected upon it. Its operation, however, is still restricted to the chief towns of the Province, the country districts having been unprovided for. This is certainly to be regretted, as vaccination is on the whole less practised in the country places than in the cities, and it is well known to prevail occasionally alarmingly throughout whole districts. The Act, however, so far as it goes, is a good one, and we are thankful for it. Originating as it did in the Legislative Council, we have learned, since the preceding remarks were written, that it has passed that body, and been sent to the Legislative Assembly, where we hope it will meet with equal success.

The Act for preventing infection from bodies of persons dying from infectious diseases in Upper Canada, has been reintroduced this Session, with every probability of its becoming Law.

Nothing has been done as yet in regard to the Apothecaries' Bill, and the Adulteration of Food Bill. These two are apparently shelved in the meanwhile. The Session is expected to be a short one, and will in all probability have terminated before another number of this Journal sees the light.

HONORARY APPOINTMENTS.

We are exceedingly pleased to be enabled to announce the two following Honorary appointments:—

During the month of February last, Wm. Marsden, M. D., of Quebec, was elected an Honorary Fellow of the Medico-Chirurgical College of New York. This appointment is a marked honor, as by the rules of the College, the number of Foreign Fellows is restricted to twenty.

And at a meeting during the same month, W. Fraser, M. D., Professor of Institutes of Medicine, McGill College, Montreal, was elected an Honorary Member of the Medical Society of the State of New York.

We consider these two appointments but a just recognition of the professional qualifications of these gentlemen.

TORONTO MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.

The second meeting of the Toronto Medico-Chirurgical Society, was held in their rooms, in the *Temperance Hall*, on Tuesday, 12th March.

The President took the Chair.

After the ordinary business matter of the Society was completed, Dr. C. B. Hall read a paper on the "Chemical Treatment of Disease." This was followed by a lively discussion on the various points put forward by the learned essayist, which lasted till the meeting broke up.

QUACKERY ENCOURAGED IN WATERLOO COUNTY.

(To the Editor of the *British American Journal*.)

SIR,—Through the kindness of my friend, Otto Klotz, Esq., the committing magistrate, I have been furnished with an outline of the proceedings in a case