

THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF UPPER CANADA.—A Bill has at length been drawn up and presented to Parliamentary notice, with a view to incorporate the members of the Profession in Canada West in a body, having the above designation, and vested with full corporate powers;—and also with the further object of regulating the study, licensing, and practice of medicine, &c., in the aforesaid section of the Province. The organization appears to us to have been modelled upon the plan by which the College of Physicians, C. E., has been constructed, the differences being for the most part nominal, as for instance, that the Board, by which the affairs be managed, are to be styled the “Council,” and the members be distinguished by the title of “Fellows.” The Fellows are to be elected by ballot, and at the first election, which it is proposed shall be held next September, only licensed practitioners of the Medical Profession shall be entitled to vote. The Upper Province is to be, as it were, divided into divisions called “Electoral,” and one Fellow is to be chosen in each of these from among the Physicians therein resident. The representation is also to be proportioned to a number hereafter to be settled upon. While the Council is, as we understand the intended act, to attend to general details, as before expressed, its Fellows are also, ex officio, members of a “Court of Examiners,” before whom all candidates must appear who are desirous of enrolling themselves as students or obtaining a license to practise. All examinations are to be open and by written questions and answers.

CRIMINAL LICENTIATES OF THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, C. E.—A Bill has been brought before the House, having for its object the disqualifying of Practitioners, who may have been convicted of felony, by depriving them of their licenses. It passed a first reading on the 18th of last month. The principal provisions are the following, which we quote entire. The third refers to the disposal of the penalties, which is to be at the discretion of the College of Physicians, C. E., and the fourth to the publicity of the act. It only comprehends the Licentiates of the above-named body. We consider the step to be a very proper one, and most deserving of the Legislative sanction.

“1. Any Licentiate in medicine, surgery, or midwifery, who may have received his license so to practise as such, either from the incorporated College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, or from the legally appointed Medical Boards of the Province antecedent to the time of the passing of the said Act of Incorporation of the said Colleg. All, after due conviction of any such felonious practice or felony, be deemed no longer a Licentiate of the said College, or otherwise qualified to practise medicine, surgery, or midwifery,