

7. As the Legislature has given us seventeen members in a Council of thirty, the profession should have three members in an Executive Committee of five.

8. The Committee has habitually ignored or overridden the Council's published curriculum of requirements, and still does so, or did so at the close of last year.

9. Its laxity in this respect was used with fatal force to induce the Government to adopt the minimum of its requirements as the maximum of what should be in future enforced.

10. Upon the flimsiest possible pretexts it assumes the right to close all avenues of information concerning Council matters, even against members of the Council who chance to be not of the Inner Circle. (See Announcement for 1895-96, p. 122.)

I purpose devoting my next letter to the exposure of a most insolent and unauthorized assumption, by this Committee, of one of the Council's most important and cherished functions, after which I shall proceed to review the arguments (?) advanced to defeat our effort to give the profession its lawful and righteous representation on the Executive Committee, as reported on pp. 98 to 103 of the Report of Proceedings in the Announcement of 1896-97, which I commend to the careful perusal of your readers. As a similar effort will be made in the coming session of the Council, I think the electorate should be fully and carefully informed on the subject, so as to read the Proceedings of next year with interest and effect.

Yours, etc.,

Port Perry, Dec. 12th, 1896.

JOHN H. SANGSTER.

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### The Council's Proposed Petition.

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*To the Editor of the CANADIAN MEDICAL REVIEW :*

SIR,—At its last meeting, the Council decided to circulate among the medical men of the Province, a petition asking the Government and Legislature to block the introduction of all legislation touching the Council's prerogatives, and the provisions of the Medical Act, except such legislation shall be at the instance of or sanctioned by the Council itself. Since the issue of the last Announcement I have received a number of letters asking for information and advice as to signing these petitions. Many of these I have answered individually, but, as the subject is one of interest to all, perhaps you will kindly permit me to say through your widely read journal that I think no