

only with the delegates of the *Medical Societies* of the Province. Such a result is by no means improbable, and we regret it the more, as with an object of such importance in view, the greatest unanimity should prevail. We hope however that all elements of discord will yet not only be most carefully avoided, but if raised most determinately put down.

While on the subject of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, we may mention that the society of this city has altered its system of management. A new code of rules, after having undergone the prescribed ordeal, was adopted at a meeting held on the 2nd Instant, and in pursuance of them, the following gentlemen were nominated office-bearers for the ensuing year.

President—Dr. Holmes.

Vice Presidents—Dr. Crawford and Dr. Badgley.

Secretary—Dr. MacDonnell.

Treasurer—Dr. Fraser.

Committee of Management.

Dr. Arnoldi, jr., Dr. Hall, Dr. Sutherland.

PROVINCIAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

Since the preceding article was placed in the hands of the publisher, we have noticed that Dr. Arnoldi, jun., persevering in his determination, expressed at the meeting of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, has, after some trouble, *managed* to obtain a list of twenty-one names to a requisition, calling upon Dr. Arnoldi, sen., as *Doyen* of the Profession, to summon a meeting of the Medical Practitioners of "the District and the Western portion of the District of Three Rivers," "for the purpose of organizing a General Association." We subjoin the advertisement from the *Montreal Herald* :—

ADVERTISEMENT.

PROVINCIAL MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

TO DR. DANIEL ARNOLDI :

Dear Sir,—

We, the undersigned, Medical Practitioners in the City of Montreal, respectfully request you, as the *Doyen*, to convene a Meeting of the Medical Faculty of this District and also of the Western portion of the District of Three Rivers, to be held on the 19th day of August, at the Court House, at ten o'clock, A.M., for the purpose of co-operating with the Medical Faculty of the District of Quebec and the Eastern portion of the District of Three Rivers, in the measures about to be adopted for the formation of a *Provincial Medical Association*.

And whereas Delegates from the Districts of Toronto, Kingston and Niagara, are expected to meet in this city on the 20th August, to hold a Convention with the Delegates who will be named by the Districts of Quebec, Three Rivers and Montreal, to organize the Provincial Medical Association, we earnestly hope that every Medical Practitioner in this District, will appreciate the importance of the meeting which we desire you to convene, as otherwise they will not be represented at the Convention of Delegates nor in the general proceedings of the Association.

The main objects for forming a Provincial Medical Association is to create a better understanding among all the Members of the Profession; to watch over their general interests; to appeal, when necessary, as one body to the Legislature, for the protection of the

privileges and the supplying of the wants of the Profession; to regulate the studies of Pupils and the duties of Practitioners; in short, to provide for all such matters as may elevate the present standard of the Profession and to protect the public from Charlatanic impositions.

We most respectfully subscribe ourselves,

Dear Sir,

Your obedient servants,

Wd. Nelson.
J. B. LeBourdais.
B. H. Charlebois.
A. Rowand, M. D.
Horace Nelson, M. D.
Frs. C. T. Arnoldi, M. D.
L. T. Tavernier.
J. Emery Coderre.
W. Sutherland, M. D.
W. P. Smith.
P. E. Picault.

J. McGale.
C. Carter.
J. H. Grenier.
E. A. Regnault, M.A.P.
P. A. C. Munro.
A. C. Regnier.
G. J. Bibaud.
E. H. Trudel, M. P.
J. B. L. Papineau.
J. H. L. Richelieu.

August 9.

In consequence of, and in conformity with the desire expressed by the Members of the Profession, who have done me the honor to request me to call a Meeting of the Medical Faculty in the whole District of Montreal, and the Western Portion of the District of Three Rivers, for the purposes expressed in their Address. I therefore notify, that a CONVOCAION of the whole of the MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS in the District and portion of the District above mentioned, will be held at the COURT-HOUSE on the 19th day of the present Month of AUGUST, 1845, for the purpose of organizing a GENERAL ASSOCIATION, and good intelligence among the whole Faculty, as likewise to concert measures to maintain their high standing in Society, and to watch over their general interests.

It is to be hoped that every Member of the Profession in the Districts alluded to, who can possibly attend will do so, as interests of vital importance to the Faculty will be discussed.

August 11, 1845.

DANL. ARNOLDI.

In the observations which we feel ourselves constrained to make upon the above document, we are compelled to enter upon some explanatory details, which we shall render as brief as may be consistent with our object.

The Medico-Chirurgical Society, of this city, was constituted about two years ago, for the purpose of establishing a more friendly intercourse among the members of the Medical Profession in this city, and for affording opportunities for familiar communication on professional subjects. The announcement of these proceedings excited the profession in Niagara, Toronto and Quebec, to follow the example; and sister societies, for the prosecution of a similar design, were established in the three places alluded to; those of the two former embracing the respective Districts, that of the latter city and of Montreal, being restricted to the cities alone. A desire was shortly afterwards expressed by the Society of this city, for a more general union of the Profession throughout the Province, by the organization of a General Association, to be represented on occasions of assembly, by delegates from the societies already in existence, as well as from any others that might subsequently be formed. We may now observe that a most cordial and ready reception was given to this project by the Societies already named, evincing how highly the prospective advantages which would certainly accompany such an association, if properly conducted, were appreciated.