

join the "communicated" report of the proceedings held at that meeting:—

At a meeting of the members of the medical profession of the city of Quebec, called by circular, in the hand-writing of Dr. Painchaud, upon the *Canadien* of the 14th of April, containing the resolutions to be proposed at the meeting—as follows: "Les Medecins de cette ville sont priés de s'assembler demain, à l'Ecole de Medecine, à deux heures P. M. pour affaires de la profession." Signed, JOSEPH PAINCHAUD,—and, in pencil, was written over the address: "Apportez moi donc mon *Canadien* à l'assemblée," the following persons were present:—

Drs. Painchaud,	Drs. Russell,
Jackson,	Lemieux,
Hall	Wolff,
Blanchett,	Marsden,
McGrath,	Prendergast,
Fisher,	Nault,
Robitaille,	Wells,
Bardy,	Blais,
Russell,	Carrier,

Dr. Painchaud moved himself into the chair, and opened the meeting, by telling it that as he was the "Doyen," he had taken the chair. He then circulated a list of certain articles of virtue belonging to a decayed confrere, (a Franco-Canadian) which he offered to pledge to the profession for a sum of £40. Dr. H. Russell rose, and in a manly strain, repudiated such a course of action, declaring that it was beneath the dignity of the profession to turn pawn-brokers, pedlars, &c. He was followed in the same strain by Dr. Marsden; and finally, a list was opened and money subscribed. As to the amount and names it matters not; but the English were the large figures for a French-Canadian. This business being disposed of, (for the honor of the profession I will not say how) the chairman made a long and silly speech, about what he had done and what he intended to do; and finally the first suggestion from his letter to the *Canadien* of the 14th April was moved by Dr. Bardy, seconded by Dr. Blais—

"Qu'il serait convenable de demander pour le Collège Médicale de cette province, le privilège d'accorder des degrés en medecine."

Dr. Marsden rose and opposed this motion in an animated and pointed

speech, declaring that the whole object of the meeting was to overthrow M-Gill College if possible; that the degree from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada (of which he was a member and a governor, but which was a mere licensing body) would be valueless, and their degree would neither honor the giver nor the receiver. Dr. R. H. Russell spoke on the same side, and Drs. Bardy and Robitaille in opposition, when a division took place as follows:—

POUR.	COTRE.
Drs. Hall,	Drs. McGrath,
Painchaud,	Wolff,
Robitaille,	Fisher,
Blais,	Marsden,
J. G. Blanchett,	Russell,
Lemieux,	Russell,
Nault,	Carrier,
Wells,	Jackson,
Bardy,	
Prendergast.	

On the division Dr. Marsden remarked, that he was delighted to see in the minority one gentleman who did honor to his profession, and who thought that the honor of a degree from M-Gill College was worth something, as he did, after he was licensed and in practice, take his degree of M. D. from the College—he meant Dr. McGrath. If the Legislature could be absurd enough to carry out the desires of the small majority, you would have few indeed to follow the honourable example of Dr. McGrath.

Here one of the majority remarked that he voted for the motion because he would like to have a degree! How many of the majority are in possession of degrees or diplomas?

It was next proposed by Dr. Robitaille, and seconded by Dr. J. G. Blanchett, "que pour mettre les candidats à l'abric de toute partialité de la part des professeurs des differents Ecoles, il serait convenable aussi de limiter le nombre des professeurs examinateurs, à deux pour chaque Ecole, ou de les retrancher entierement des examens."

Dr. Marsden again rose and opposed this motion, stating, that not being a professor in any school, he could do so with clean hands; that the act of incorporation of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, was to a certain extent a boon, and he did not wish to diminish its powers, but rather to extend