

“The same Act, revised as occasion demanded, is in force at the present day. The license it issues, however, authorizes the recipient to practice his profession merely within the limits of the Province of Quebec. He cannot pass into another province of the Dominion and there establish himself in practice. He cannot even pass over the line separating Quebec from Ontario and prescribe for a suffering patient without exposing himself to arrest or to the infliction of a fine. This applies equally to the licentiates of different provinces of the Dominion. The license issued in one province does not confer *ad practicandum* rights in another province, nor are such rights recognized in Great Britain. If the licentiate desires to practice in another province than that in which he has already qualified, he is obliged to submit to an examination as to his qualifications.

“An effort is now being made by our esteemed friend, Dr. Roddick, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of McGill University, which has received the warm approval and support of a large majority of the profession, to have this embarrassing limitation to the work of the medical licentiates of the provinces of the Dominion removed, and to secure for them the right to practise their profession in any part of the Dominion or in any part of the world where the British flag flies.

“The measure he has proposed to secure this inestimable privilege to the profession of Canada is to establish a Dominion Medical Council for the examination of candidates and their admission to the profession, whose diploma or license would entitle the holder to practice in any part of the Dominion, and lead to his recognition and enregistration by the British Medical Council, which enregistration would secure for him the right to practise his profession in any part of the British Empire.

“The Act which he has drawn up and laid before the Federal Parliament, and now awaits its decision before it, can be submitted to the Local Legislature, provides that the existing Provincial Examining Boards shall retain their