

regular patients thoroughly, at least once in two years, so as to enable him to detect, and if possible, check approaching disease. This process he termed "keel-hauling."

Dr. H. P. Wright then related an interesting case of phantom tumour which occurred recently in his practice. This case will no doubt be submitted to the profession in a more prominent way shortly.

Dr. J. G. Cranston then gave a short account of a case of elongation and hypertrophy of the cervix uteri of remarkable interest, which he has at present under observation. The case is probably unique, and will deserve publication whether operated on or not. We will look for an early report.

The Society then adjourned to meet in Ottawa in January, 1883. Five of the members were requested to prepare papers.

Dr. Atchison then entertained the members at a convenient resort, when the customary "you scratch my back and I'll scratch yours" was gone through, accompanied by happy speeches and felicitous responses. The detention of the C.P.R. train for two hours was in this case a happy accident.

#### MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

A Meeting of the Provincial Board of Health was held in the Parliament Buildings, 27th June. Present—Dr. Oldright, in the chair, Drs. Cassidy, Rae, and Hall, and Dr. Bryce, Secretary.

Several communications were read, amongst them being one from Dr. Baker. Michigan Board of Health, as to the time required for the compilation of weekly health reports; one from Mr. Henry Hughes, Sanitary Inspector, Lindsay, as to various nuisances existing in that town, and another from Mr. Milroy, as to an epidemic of low fever and ague in Cobocok.

#### CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS.

Dr. Rae read a report containing certain recommendations to the Government on the subject of inspection of immigrants, which was considered in Committee of the Whole, and adopted with slight amendments.

The Chairman read an exhaustive report on

the sewerage and water supply of this city, particularly referring to the necessity of constructing a covered drain at the Garrison creek, the draining of University creek, and the reconstruction of Sherbourne-street sewer. The report embraces certain recommendations on these and other subjects, so as to strengthen the hands of the City Engineer in carrying out these improvements on sanitary grounds.

#### RESOLUTIONS PASSED.

It was moved by Dr. Cassidy, seconded by Dr. Hall, and carried, "That, whereas, it is the opinion of this board that contagious diseases frequently originate on shipboard solely from impure air, be it, therefore, resolved that it is a matter of great moment for the prevention of such diseases that ships should be constructed with a view to thorough ventilation, that in no case should hatches be closed without means being provided for the circulation of pure air in the meantime, and that the Government should insist on measures to secure such an end."

It was moved by Dr. Rae, seconded by Dr. Cassidy, and carried, "That Dr. Covernton be commissioned to attend the Congress of Hygiene to be held at Geneva from the 4th to 9th September next."

On motion, the Secretary was commissioned to visit Boston, Albany, and New York for the purpose of procuring information on sanitary matters, and as to the introduction of a vaccine farm. The subject of the introduction of the teaching of Hygiene in schools, as recommended by the Ontario Medical Association, was introduced by Dr. Oldright, but action thereon was deferred till a subsequent meeting.

Several other routine matters were considered, and the board adjourned.

INSECTICIDE LOTION.—F. BENVENUTI.—Dried flowers of the larkspur, 3 grammes, water 100. Macerate for 36 hours and strain. The inodorous and highly-coloured liquid thus obtained is employed as a lotion to destroy the pediculi pubis. Vinegar may be substituted for the water. Two lotions have constantly sufficed to destroy the lice and their eggs, without giving rise to either burning or itching.—*L'Union Méd.*