

Let us pick out a few examples. Take the meeting of the council for July, 1908. On that occasion Dr. L. Luton, of St. Thomas, charged for 8 days, and collected in per diem \$160. Now he could leave St. Thomas at 7.15 a.m. and reach Toronto at 11.25 a.m., and be in good time for the council meeting at 2 p.m. In like manner, he could leave Toronto at 4 p.m. after the council had adjourned at noon on Saturday and arrive in St. Thomas at 7.50 p.m. Dr. J. H. Cormack for 1908 also collected \$160. The proper amount for these two should have been \$100 each; for we do not think that the council's resolution of making five days into six would hold in law.

Dr. W. H. Moorhouse, of London, can leave at 7.45 a.m., reach Toronto at 11.25 a.m. for the meeting at 2 p.m. He could also leave Toronto at 4 p.m. on Saturday and arrive in London at 7.10 p.m. This would give him \$100 for five days, but we find in 1908 he collected \$160.

And so with a railway time-table every physician in the province can determine what his representative in the council has been charging for mileage and per diem. We will not pursue this further just now, as we intend making a complete analysis of the finances for the four years as soon as the announcement for this year has been issued. See the tables in this issue.

But the council has been seized with the new view of time; and it has decided to pay for half days when they occur in attendance on special and general meetings, but it still pays 5 cents a mile each way.

In the Hansard announcements, in the per diem for over time at council meetings, in the payment of 5 cents per mile both ways, and in the wholly unnecessary multiplication of committees, the funds of the medical profession, not those of the medical council, have been wasted in a fast and furious manner. But what of the good name of the council? So we quote the words of Iago in Othello:

But he who filches from me my good name
Robs me of that which not enriches him
And makes me poor indeed.

The medical council is rapidly becoming poor in good name as well as in money.

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We congratulate the medical council on its action to accept the amended Canada Medical Act. This is one more province in line. We wish all the provinces would do likewise.