

*mur in illis* is with us fully illustrated, at the meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons held in this city in May last, no student presented himself for final examination, and why? Because the Legislature having increased the number of our Universities, many of the young men who would have presented themselves for examination before the board of the College, preferred seeking higher qualifications, and obtained University degrees. So that the College of Physicians and Surgeons found themselves resolved into a body without occupation, except that of enregistering the names of applicants for license, who presented University diplomas, and also of examining persons in classics and other branches in preliminary education, who were about to commence the study of medicine. This is a simple statement of facts. With a view of affording occupation in the examination way to those Governors of the College of Physicians and Surgeons who are unconnected with any University, it is sought to degrade the Universities, Colleges and Schools of Medicine, both at home and abroad, by declaring that their degrees and diplomas, shall, in future, have merely an honorary value, and that all persons, holders of degrees in Medicine, or diplomas in Surgery or Midwifery, desirous of practising their art in the Dominion of Canada, shall appear for examination before a Central Board of Examiners in each Province. As we before said the times have changed, the system as at present has become cumbersome and unwieldy. It appears to us that what we do require is a Council of Medical education and Registration, similar to that which exists in Great Britain. The registration of diplomas and degrees can be effected with little trouble and less expense than at present, at the same time the Registrar can issue a certificate of enregistration equivalent to a license which gives to the holder the right of entering a court of law and prosecuting a delinquent patient who refuses to satisfy a just claim for professional services rendered.

It does appear that this is all we need for the Dominion of Canada, and this system we would like to see generally adopted. As regards the Universities and Schools, let there be amongst them honourable rivalry such as you expect to meet with among men who devote themselves exclusively to the cultivation and advancement of their noble calling, and we will venture to prophesy, that those schools at which the operations of nature and practical utility of art are faithfully and earnestly taught, will acquire the confidence and support of the public.

Coming back to the "Canadian Medical Society," we will go into the movement heart and soul, but at the same time, trust that the subjects brought before the meeting will be of far higher consideration than the best method of throwing open our doors to those desirous of following