

BLINDNESS OF MEDICAL ARROGANCE.

Arrogance is always blind; but the stupidity evinced, in attempting to wrest from the people of Canada their shattered remnant of medical liberty, when the full tide of the age is sweeping with irresistible force in an opposite direction, argues not only stupidity, but stupidity in its dotage. Back up the car of time, friends—run it back at least thirty years, if you would again agitate your grossly intolerant measure, and save the last rag of your reputation for liberality.

THE DOCTOR'S ARGUMENT.

John Stewart, M. D., of the *Kingston Argus*, lately commenced an editorial as follows:—"AN ASS.—A person of the name of Dick." Some gentlemen think it quite justifiable to swear and rave like madmen when their gouty parts are touched. Sober men pity them.

PUBLIC LECTURES

In favor of Medical Toleration, are listened to with marked attention wherever we go; in which we always demand the repeal of every penal enactment against the administration of medicine, demanding at the same time, that every practitioner be held liable for damages in all cases in which it shall appear that he has been guilty of grossly ignorant treatment, or malpractice, or of immoral conduct in his practice; all of which evils are now lamentably frequent, among the *licensed* and *unlicensed* quacks, as witnessed by crooked limbs from bungling bone-setting—rotten teeth and bones from the murderous use of mercury, &c. &c. Let such quacks be fined from *five* to *two hundred* pounds, according to the mischief done, without regard to license, and we will have an infinitely better protection against villianous quackery than heretofore.

Almost half the human species die in infaney from the ignorance, mismanagement and neglect of mothers.—*Dr. Buchan.*

PROVINCIAL, BOTANIC, MEDICAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.

MINUTES

Of a Preliminary Meeting, held in Kingston, on the 20th & 21st of June, 1849.

After due organization, the Meeting proceeded to business, which resulted in the following decisions:—

1. That the time has arrived for instituting measures for the organization of a Provincial, Botanic, Medical Reform Association, and that a convention of all parties friendly to its establishment, be, and is hereby appointed to convene, in the City of Kingston, on *second* day of the Provincial Agricultural Fair, next ensuing, at the hour of six o'clock, P. M.

2. That a Provincial Committee be appointed, and be instructed to assemble in Kingston on the *first* day of the Agricultural Fair, at three o'clock, P. M., to prepare business, and make such other arrangements for the meetings of Convention as may to them appear necessary.

3. That R. Dick and J. H. Leonard be a Committee to correspond with the practitioners and friends of Medical Reform, west of Kingston, and that G. W. Edwards and J. G. Booth be a Committee for similar purposes east of Kingston.

4. That the Editor of the *Unfettered Canadian*, the practitioners and other friends of Medical Reform, be, and are hereby authorized to solicit and take up collections and subscriptions in behalf of the Provincial Association, to be appropriated as that body shall direct, in diffusing and promoting a correct estimate of the rights and duties of man in relation to the philosophy and means of health, by public lectures or otherwise, as also in defraying all the ordinary and incidental expenses necessarily attended on the healthful, efficient existence of such institutions.

5. That the Committees on correspondence east and west of Kingston, be instructed to obtain, if possible, the