

THE DOMINION MEDICAL COUNCIL.

The Dominion Medical Council which was in session in Ottawa for three days concluded on 18th June. The organization under the Dominion Medical Act was completed and by-laws and regulations were adopted for submission to the Government, whose approval is necessary. Arrangements also were made for the first Dominion examinations. They will begin at Montreal on October 7. The Dominion register will open at Ottawa on July 1, which is not only Confederation Day, but also marks the confederation of the Canadian medical profession. The first annual meeting will be held here on June 16 of next year.

The final establishment of the council marks the completion of medical reciprocity, which has long been advocated. The moving spirit the Dominion Council may, without further examination practise anywhere in Canada upon registering. Physicians of good standing for ten years before October, 1912, may secure the diploma without examination upon payment of a fee of \$100. If a medical graduate locate in any province and intends to stay there, the Dominion examination provinces on the strength of a provincial license. This privilege is granted only to those who pass the Federal Council or register, without examinations, after having practised ten years.

The fundamental principle of the bill is to away with provincial limitations and provide that a physician who secures the Dominion certificate may practise in any province without the necessity of undergoing an examination before the provincial authority. Hon. Dr. Roche, Minister of the Interior, who convened the first council meeting in Ottawa last October, was elected an honorary member, and Dr. R. W. Powell, of Ottawa, is the registrar. The first name on the Dominion register will be that of Dr. Roddick, the president and father of the bill. The Act was first passed by the Dominion Parliament and afterwards ratified by the different legislatures.

ONTARIO MEDICAL COMMISSION.

“The Government has decided to appoint a commission to investigate the whole subject of medical education and the practice of medicine in Ontario . . . the object being to acquire information upon which to base legislation for every imaginable application, in order to regulate and control all in the interests of the province.