

**A LITTLE MORE ESPRIT DE CORPS.**—The case of the Queen vs. Dr. Washington of Orangeville, which has been before the Courts since April last, has recently been decided in the Drs. favor. The case was one of alleged assault, in which the magistrate (Mayor Henry, M.D.) fined both parties \$5 and costs. Dr. Washington feeling that he had sufficient evidence to prove that he only acted in self-defence, appealed from Dr. Henry's decision, and the case was tried before the County Judge, but the Mayor's ruling was confirmed by this Court. It was then appealed to the Court of Queen's Bench, Toronto, before Judge Osler, and ended in the acquittal of Dr. Washington as above stated. It is much to be regretted that there is not a greater degree of *esprit de corps* among the members of the medical profession, for if the proper feelings had existed here, this action would never have gone beyond the Mayor's office.

**PORRO'S OPERATION IN ENGLAND.**—In October last Mr. Spencer Wells, as stated in the *British Medical Journal*, performed Porro's operation for the first time in England. The patient, aged 37, between five and six months advanced in pregnancy, was suffering from epithelioma of the cervix uteri. The operation is a supra vaginal amputation of the uterus in addition to the Cæsarian section. The uterus was brought out through an incision in the abdomen, the broad ligaments transfixed by silk ligatures external to the ovaries, the bladder dissected from the uterus, and the vagina divided all around close to the uterine wall. The opening from the peritoneal cavity into the vagina was closed by silk sutures. Very little blood was lost, and on October 27th, seven days after the operation, the patient was doing well.

**TESTIMONIAL TO VIRCHOW.**—A movement was recently set on foot in London, England, to obtain subscriptions towards the testimonial to be presented to Prof. Virchow, by his brethren in Germany, on the occasion of the completion of the 25th year of his professorship in the University of Berlin, and of his 60th birthday. Many of the leading physicians and surgeons in London subscribed to the fund. The presentation took place in Berlin on the 19th ult. The learned professor has again been elected to the Reichstag.

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**ANTIVIVISECTION PROSECUTION.**—We learn from the *British Med. Journal*, Nov. 12th, that the Antivivisection Society of London has entered a criminal prosecution against Prof. Ferrier in the Bow Street Police Court. It is not at all creditable to the boasted intelligence of the British nation, that an eminent physician and man of science, whose valuable labors and important researches in reference to the diagnosis and treatment of brain diseases are recognized the world over, should be assailed in such a manner. It surely cannot be regarded in any other light, than as an abuse of the recent legislative enactments in reference to experiments upon animals.