

should receive a salary of £40, with board and lodging at the expense of the hospital.

The great bulk of the "Report" is taken up with the examination of the mutual charges of Dr. James Douglas, and the late commissioners, and Dr. James Douglas and his colleagues. The assumption of an antagonistic position by the lay managers against the medical staff of a hospital, is no uncommon occurrence. Governors and trustees, feeling their incapability of deciding in many matters referring to the management of a hospital for the sick, naturally look upon those who are competent to pronounce an opinion with suspicion and distrust. They are fearful lest any portion of their authority should be taken from them and bestowed on others. They consider it, therefore, of importance that the visiting physicians should be made to feel that they occupy a subordinate position. Consequently, they carp at and thwart the medical staff as often as they conveniently can. It is seldom, however, that serious disputes exist between professional colleagues. The report painfully exhibits how much bad feeling may be engendered, among the members of a medical staff, by the assumption, on the part of one member, of a superiority over others.

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#### COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, C. E.

The triennial meeting of the members of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Lower Canada, was held at the Court House of Three Rivers on Wednesday 13th ultimo.

Dr. Morin having taken the chair, the meeting was called to order. The minutes of the last meeting having been read by the Secretary, were approved and received.

The Treasurer then announced the names of the newly enrolled members, and of those who were entitled to vote.

The Secretary next read a report containing an outline of the proceedings of the College during the past three years. It was directed to be published for the information of the members. From this report it appears that during that period 75 students presented themselves before the Governors for license, and that of this number 61 were admitted to practice as Physicians, Surgeons and Accoucheurs, 2 as Chemists and Druggists, and 12 were rejected. 70 gentlemen came up for preliminary examination, of whom 60 passed and 10 were remanded.

The Treasurer then submitted his statement, from which it appears that there is now a balance of £127 16s. 9d. to the credit of the College.

Petitions from the students of McGill College and the Montreal School of Medicine were then read, and after having been discussed, it was declared inexpedient to recommend any alteration to the act of incorporation, at present.