

of medical men who registered in Alberta subsequently to the passing of the Alberta Medical Act, and previous to the announcement of the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada with respect to its legality. It remains with the medical council to decide whether these men will be admitted as medical practitioners in Alberta. What the decision of the council will be is not yet known. It is very likely, however, that those who registered within the above mentioned date will require to register again and pass an examination of the medical council.

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Dr. N. E. Mackay has resigned from the position of Professor of Surgery in Halifax Medical College. He is succeeded by Dr. Hogan. Dr. George R. Morse writing to the *Halifax Morning Chronicle*, July 5th, says:—

“When Dr. Mackay has time, I trust he may see his way clear to make a statement of the trouble between the College and himself. Various rumours are in the air, and we as graduates would like to know the real cause of his withdrawal from the school.”

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At the last meeting of the Ontario Medical Council held in Kingston, there was a discussion upon the advisability of asking all Canadian universities to extend the medical course to five years. When the Council meets in Toronto next year this important proposal will again be considered.

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Dr. Pyne has resigned the office of registrar of the Ontario Medical Council a position which he occupied for twenty-seven years. During that long period he gained many friends and admirers by the courtesy and efficiency with which he performed his difficult duties. He is succeeded by Dr. J. L. Bray, of Chatham.

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## THE SCURVY AT MONTREAL IN 1534-5.

(Translated.)

In the month of December we became aware that a fatal disease had attacked the people of Stadacona and that, according to their own accounts, more than fifty of them had died. For that reason we shut them out of our fort and forbade them to come among us. In spite of this, the disease broke out among us in a surprising and mysterious manner. Some lost flesh and their legs became large and swollen, the sinews were drawn and turned black like coal; others became cov-