

know of any any one who has got one." Another gentleman, writing to us under date 28th April, 1873, states: "Friday's *Globe* contains a list of those who passed the examination. I expect to receive some personal satisfaction on the subject. When it comes I shall let you know whether it is on parchment or paper."

These we deem sufficient for the purpose, and are satisfactory proof of the correctness of our statements. It is painful to have to call attention to these irregularities of a corporate body holding such an important legislative trust. We do not wish to oppose factiously the Ontario Medical Act, but we are de irous of seeing that Act fairly and honourably administered. When the Act was first introduced we did oppose the amalgamation scheme, and still we regard that portion of it as a great blunder. It is certainly humiliating to know that the profession to which we belong, and which we revere for the scientific truths which it unfolds, has, in one section of our country, been degraded, lowered, dragged through filth, and abundantly bespattered by ignorance and charlatanism. If we have written warmly we have done so honestly. No good can come of this measure. It is an act of abasement perpetrated by men whom we are bound to consider honest, but who lacked self-confidence. To justify themselves before the profession they point to the fact that no Eclectic or Homœopathic candidates have presented themselves for examination since the passing of the Act. But this has not prevented Eclectics and Homœopaths, who are unlicensed, from practising through the country. As we have elsewhere stated, no good can possibly accrue from such an unholy alliance, and the result has been just what might have been expected. The College has been associated with persons not commonly honest, and we fear that this evil communication has corrupted its good manners. We know and are sure that the majority of the men composing the Medical Council are honourable, high-minded gentlemen; yet we fear that a feeling of shame must have been experienced by some, at least, of those gentlemen, for that the irregularities connected with the management of the College have called forth public censure.

We hope that the Medical Council, at its next annual gathering, will fearlessly look into these matters and freely apply the pruning-knife wherever rottenness or incompetency exists. If this is done, and matters placed on a different footing, then, indeed, will the College take a firm stand in the right direction, and it will do that which is calculated to secure the confidence and co-operation of the profession generally. Without it, if the same condition as exists to-day is allowed to continue it cannot reasonably look for that support which, we fear, is sadly wanting at present.