

were many quacks in Upper Canada, and the object of this bill was to check quackery, so destructive to every thing good. The men who discovered the circulation of the blood, and vaccination were not ignorant quacks; but instructed professional men. The Hon. gentleman here narrated some anecdotes touching a Dr. Solomon, which we did not hear very distinctly, and concluded by answering the Hon. President of the Council by drawing a distinction between the trades of blacksmiths and carpenters, which involved no responsibility, and those liberal professions to whose care were committed the lives and fortunes of the public.

Mr. BALDWIN did not see why the Hon. President of the Council who was so ready to incorporate any companies to make boots and shoes, &c., should refuse to incorporate the medical profession. He voted for the second reading of the bill, because he approved of principle of organizing the profession; but would perhaps not object to alter the details.

The bill was then read the second time: the division being Ayes, 26; Nays, 25.

The next question that came under discussion was a bill to secure title to real estate to certain parties naturalized in Lower Canada. This case—that of Joseph Donegani, Esq.—is already familiar to the public, and nothing new, or of sufficient public interest, to be worth reporting, was elicited in the course of the debate. The bill was ultimately carried, Yeas, 25; Nays, 14.

On motion of Mr. BADGLEY, a bill to incorporate the Horticultural Society of Montreal was read a second time, and referred to the select committee on private bills.

On motion of Mr. HOLMES, bills to amend the acts incorporating the City Bank, and to amend the acts of incorporation of the Lake St. Louis and Province Line Railroad Company, were read a second time.

On motion of Mr. LEMIRE, a bill to remove doubts as to the right of securing and defending suits *in forma pauperis* in Lower Canada, was read a second time.

The House then went into committee on a bill introduced by Mr. MORRISON, to authorize limited partnerships in Upper Canada, Mr. DUMAS in the Chair, the clauses of the bill were passed without the least discussion, there being only twenty-one members remaining in the House.

Another bill also introduced by Mr. MORRISON, to require filing of mortgages of personal property in Upper Canada, was likewise passed through committee, and the house adjourned about eleven o'clock.

The following which we cut from "the Sun" shows that Prince Edward District is not asleep on the subject of Medical Reform.

RESPECTED EDITOR,

Whereas there has been a bill intro-

duced into the Legislature, to establish a medical inquisition for the benefit and special protection of its numerous inquisitors, or at least for the protection of their ancient faith,—a faith hallowed, like the pagan religion, more for its antiquity than for its establishment upon true philosophic principles. And as the legislature will doubtless wish to obtain all the information within their reach, relative to the effect of such an arbitrary, oppressive, inquisitorial measure; I will here insert a short piece clipped from the *New York Weekly despatch*.

**SHOCKING DEATH.**—A lad named Rount, 16 years of age, died at Covington, Kentucky, a short time since from the effects of mercury, administered ten weeks previous, by a physician to alleviate typhoid fever. It appears that in a few weeks after the mercury was administered spots made their appearance on each side of the face, followed by mortification and sloughing of the parts, the usual result of mercurial action when thus manifested.—For several weeks the poor sufferer lay thus, the poison augmenting its awful work, until the whole jaw, with the exception of a small portion of the chin, was exposed to view from loss of surrounding flesh. The upper and under lips were entirely gone, and the appearance was presented of a skull covered with flesh, excepting the teeth and jaws—a most pitiable sight. On the right side of the face the mortification extended to the eye, scalp and ear, and had the youthful sufferer lived but a few days longer, he would have lost his right eye, ear and all the flesh on that side of his face and head. But fortunately for himself and friends, death has kindly come to his aid and relieved him from misery.

I do not offer to the Canadian public, this extract from the *Despatch*, because it contains any new, or novel feature, as it is a fact capable of being supported from high medical authority, and which none of the faculty, I trust will attempt to deny, that the medicine in question often produces similar fatal effects; and also that it is impossible for the medical practitioner when he administers it to know whether its operation will be beneficial or prejudicial to the life of his patient. I would advise the legislature to away with their pretended medical incorporation bill, and give us the real old fashioned Spanish Inquisition, with all its vast and ample resources, viz. Fire, Rack, and Sword, which may be fully equal to the task of converting from medical heresy, all those stubborn sinners, who have become seriously affected with that fatal contamination, of rejecting all mineral poisons, and depending exclusively upon simple, harmless, vegetable remedial Agents. But to be serious about this important matter, we have no particular objection that that portion of the medical profession,