

THE ONTARIO MEDICAL ACT.

Dr. HENWOOD moved, seconded by Dr. HYDE,—"That the Ontario Legislature at its next meeting be petitioned to so amend the Ontario Medical Act, as to enable each of the territorial divisions to return two representatives to this Council, instead of one as at present."

Dr. LAVELL claimed that the schools should have proper representation, and said that they would never relinquish that claim. He contended that as teachers they had some knowledge of the requirements of the profession. He would strenuously oppose any encroachment on the rights of the teachers of the colleges. They were doing all they could to meet the exactions of the Council.

Dr. BERRYMAN considered it inexpedient and dangerous to carry out Dr. Henwood's motion. It would swamp the Universities and the homœopaths. If they obtained an Act for such a change the Universities would combine, and the repeal of it would be inevitable.

Mayor BEATY at this point entered the chamber, and was well received by the Council.

Dr. D. CLARKE spoke to the motion. He favored an increase, but not so large a one as that proposed by Dr. Henwood.

By request the yeas and nays were taken:—For, 10; against, 11.

The following are the names of those who voted on Dr. Henwood's motion:—Yeas, Allison, W. Clarke, Edwards, Geikie, Henwood, Herriman, Hyde, Irwin, Spragge, Grant. Nays, Berryman, Bethune, D. Clarke, Henderson, Lavell, Logan, McDonald, McLaughlin, Morden, Ross, Vernon.

The Council adjourned until 2.30 p.m. A number of the members of the Council and a few friends were invited by the Mayor to lunch at the U. E. Club.

The Council resumed at 2.30. Dr. Grant, who arrived during the forenoon, took his seat at the Council board. Hon. Dr. Brouse also arrived and took his seat.

THE TREASURER.

Dr. GEIKIE, moved, seconded by Dr. MORDEN,—"That hereafter the fees for the matriculation examination be paid in Toronto or Kingston, to the registrar of the college, a duplicate receipt being given in every case where a fee is received, one copy being sent to the treasurer as his voucher, and one to the candidate."—*Lost*.

Dr. BERRYMAN moved, seconded by Dr. GEIKIE,—"That no permanent position or paid office shall be occupied by any member who is in any way engaged in teaching in any university or teaching body of medicine; the meaning of the aforesaid resolution being, that it alludes to the Treasurer or Registrar of the said body of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario."

Dr. BERRYMAN said he had nothing to say against the conduct of the treasurer, but he thought it would be better to have the duties of the office performed by a person who occupied a neutral position, without having a special interest in any college.

Dr. GEIKIE and several other members spoke to the same effect.

The motion was then put and lost by a vote of 11 to 7.

A motion was carried to allow the medical prosecutor to make a statement to the Council.

Mr. SMITH, the detective, made a statement as to work done by him, and as to the difficulties under which he had to labor from time to time in the prosecution of quacks, and the expense to which he had invariably been put in such prosecutions. He said that he would perform the duties of prosecutor for \$1000, and if the total of the fines amounted to less than that sum he would do so for what he could get.

Dr. HYDE asked Mr. Smith whether he had received all the fines that had been exacted from offenders through his prosecution.

Mr. SMITH replied that he had not.

Dr. W. CLARKE moved, seconded by Dr. MORDEN,—"That the case of William Smith be referred to a Special Committee."

Dr. HYDE moved in amendment, seconded by Dr. D. CLARKE,—"That the case be sent to the Registration Committee."

The amendment was carried.

Dr. D. CLARKE submitted the report of the committee appointed to consider the petition of the Ladies' Temperance Union, praying that the College of Physicians and Surgeons should do all in its power to discountenance the use of spirituous liquors un'less strictly as a medicine. The report, while expressing sympathy with the ladies in their good work, stated that it was not competent for the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons to express an opinion upon the subject.