

On motion this was granted.

Dr. Lizars stepped forward, and said he thanked the Association kindly for giving him this opportunity of explaining himself. The previous day he had knocked at their door for admission, knowing well their Constitution and By-laws, and being prepared to sign them, but they had refused him entrance, because he was in the habit of consulting with Homœopaths. His reasons for so doing were briefly as follows. When he came to this country, after leaving her majesty's service some 13 years ago, he found a state of things which never existed in any country he had previously been in. For the first time in his life, he found Homœopathic practitioners recognised by law; in fact in the eyes of the law, as much regular physicians as he was himself. Finding this condition of things he considered it his duty to meet them in consultation on questions of Medical diagnosis and prognosis, and had done so. Questions of treatment were not broached, except at times on his part to show the utter fallacy of their doctrine. In doing so he might have erred; if so he did so simply as he thought and believed in obedience to the law. He had also been accused of having connected himself some two years ago, for one session with an Eclectic College in Philadelphia. This he denied. There was not an Eclectic physician connected with it. When he joined it, all were regular physicians, save one, the lecturer on Anatomy, who was a Homœopathist, and he was the best anatomical lecturer he had ever heard. Before he left, this gentleman had resigned so that before his connection with it ceased, all were regular practitioners. Why he left it, was simply because the examinations were so loose as not to afford any really tangible evidence of the candidate's fitness for practice.

Dr. Richardson, (Toronto) asserted that the University of Philadelphia, the College Dr. Lizars had been connected with, was the most irregular College in the United States, and that Dr. Payne its Dean was the author of a system of Eletic Medecine. It was then moved by Dr. Berryman (Toronto) seconded by Dr. Clarke (Guelph) that having heard Dr. Lizars explanation he be now received a member of this Association.

A member desired to know before this motion was put to the meeting, whether in the event of Dr. Lizars being elected he was now prepared to sign the Constitution and By-laws and abide by them.

Several members—Yes—that is what we want to know.

Dr. Lizars—Was prepared yesterday to sign them, and would do so now but reserved to himself the right.———

Dr. Clarke, (Guelph) excitedly. Unless Dr. Lizars comes squarely up and says he is now willing to sign our laws, and abide them, and has no mental reservation what soever I will withdraw my name as seconder to his resolution.