

which he is a member, contrary to Her Majesty's statutes relating thereto. The *Ontario Medical Journal* was foisted upon the profession by the old Council, for a sinister purpose, and as economy is one of the strong planks in the Defence platform, it is just possible that when the new Council meets the *Journal* may stop short, like Grandfather's clock, never to go again. In any event, however, it might be well to keep up the trapeze practice, for the gifted editor may find it necessary to make another perilous leap in the dark.

J. BINGHAM.

Peterboro', Nov. 6th.

[We may say that the *Ontario Medical Journal* has been no extra expense to the profession. Further, it is the official organ of the Council, and naturally represents the views of the majority of that body. For the present we will ask this discussion to close until such time as the new Council meets, and we can have an opportunity of judging whether their platform was to get in on or to stand on.—ED. D. M. M.]

Book Notices.

Temperature Chart. Prepared by D. T. LAINE, M.D. Copyright, 1894, by W. B. SAUNDERS, Philadelphia. Price 50 cents per pad of twenty-five charts.

The most convenient and adaptable thing of the kind with which we are acquainted. Every physician should keep a record of his continued cases in some such graphic form as this. In time it would make a very valuable reference.

Mental Diseases. A synopsis of twelve lectures delivered at the Hospital for Insane, Toronto, to the graduating classes of Toronto University, by DANIEL M. CLARK, M.D., published by Wm. Briggs, Wesley Buildings, Toronto. Price \$1.25.

As the author says the manual is intended for the senior medical student and the busy practitioner who may have no time or opportunity to study the higher and more intricate branches of Psycho-Physics. The Canadian profession is well acquainted with Dr. Clark and his earnest work, and are certainly indebted to him for the manual, which undoubtedly well meets the intention of its author in presenting in a handy and concise form the latest teachings on Psychic Lesions.

Hernia: its Putative and Radical Treatment in Adults, Children and Infants. By THOS. H. MANLEY, A.M., M.D., Visiting Surgeon to Harlem Hospital, etc., etc.

This is a volume of 231 pages, which was published in 1893, by the Medical Press Co., of Philadelphia. Dr. Manley does not favour cutting operations for the cure of hernia in children except occasionally. Neither does he advise indiscriminate operations in adults, as the continuous use of a truss is necessary after the operation. His eulogy of rest, opium and elevation of the hips as means which favour the return of a strangulated intestine is well merited.

The historical review of the treatment of hernia in its different forms is valuable, and shows extensive research.

In operations done for strangulated