

we have to thank Drs. McLean, of Detroit, and Bulkley, of New York, for doing considerable to insure the success of the meeting. Considerable interest was manifested in the discussion of the subject of cholera.

The Hon. John Carling, Minister of Agriculture, who was there at the special request of the Executive, assured the members of the Association that the Government was fully alive to the importance of the subject, and was doing everything that could be done to prevent the cholera from entering Canada by any of her ports, or other means, and by next spring their system of protection would be simply perfect. The Minister referred to the excellent work going on at Grosse Isle, and spoke of the building of the deep water wharf, which would be built at Quebec, and would probably cost \$100,000. Steps were being taken at all points, and ports that money would not stand in the way, nor anything be left undone to insure the success of the preventive measures.

The meeting is to be held in London, Ont., next year, and the following constitute the officers :

President—Dr. Chas. Sheard, Toronto.

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RESOLUTION OF THE MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS OF OTTAWA.

At a meeting, held this first day of August, 1892, of the Ottawa members of the Bathurst and Rideau Medical Association, which includes all the registered medical practitioners resident in the City of Ottawa, the following resolution was carried unanimously :

Resolved, That this meeting, having been officially informed of the action of the Dominion Government whereby by Order in Council—"Every qualified medical practitioner whose name is registered in the Medical Register of the province in which he resides is appointed an authorized medical practitioner for the purpose of issuing medical certificates as required by the *Civil Service Act*." That they desire to express their full appreciation of the courtesy thus extended to the members of the medical profession throughout Canada; and they believe also that this course is in the interest of the members of the Civil Service, equitable towards the members the medical profession and equally protective to the interests of the Government, as compared with the former regulation of having only one authorized physician in each locality.

Resolved, That this meeting is of the opinion that it would be well for the Government to adopt and have printed a form of blank medical certificate to be filled out by physicians, giving such to Civil Servants who are in and under their care.

Resolved, That whilst the members of this Association desire to express the opinion that there is no body of men who would more readily condemn a physician for wilfully issuing an unwarranted and unworthy medical certificate than the members of the medical profession, and whilst they declare that such a physician would be deserving of the severest censure and his name should be erased by the Government from the list of authorized medical practitioners—yet inasmuch as there are cases where the trained medical mind is enabled to discover slight symptoms of disease, indicating serious possibilities in the near future, where divulgence might thwart the chance of cure, together with the fact that the lines of professional secrecy are inelastic and demand invariably the most honorable observance, it would be but justice that before any physician's name is removed by Order in Council from the list of authorized medical practitioners under the Act, for reported irregularity, he should have the right extended to him of explanation and of defending his action.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent

TOBACCO AND BRAIN POWER.—Says the *St. Louis Clinique* :—The classes in Yale College are subgraded according to scholarship, and it is found that in the first or best grade only twenty-two per cent. use tobacco; in the second grade, forty-eight per cent.; in the third grade seventy per cent., and in the fourth or lowest, eighty-five per cent.