

On the other hand, its most instantaneous action in relieving the after-pains would likely draw the observer in favour of the *nerve theory*. Further experiments, I hope, will demonstrate more clearly its proper action.

Momentary Extinction of Voice, caused by Lightning. By J. B. Chagnon, M.D., St. Pie, Province of Quebec.

In July, 1868, came to my office a woman with the following history: Two days previous, during a thunder storm, she, according to her own expression, *swallowed the thunder!* a very hard thing to digest indeed.

She was stooping through a window, when, in the act of gaping, she felt a stunning shock all over her throat.

She dropped on the floor half suffocated, without being unconscious, remained about two minutes in that position: when her throat suddenly resumed its former condition, less the loss of vocal power.

At the time I saw her, she felt yet a burning sensation through her larynx, especially when swallowing warm drinks.

As she was weak, I prescribed tonics and stimulants, with local application of mustard to the throat, and she was able to speak loud three weeks from date of shock.

Remarks.—I present this case to the medical profession more on account of rarity than special interest.

ONTARIO MEDICAL COUNCIL.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Ontario Medical Council commenced its Session at the City Hall, Hamilton, at twelve o'clock, on Tuesday, the 19th April. The report we subjoin will be found of considerable interest to the profession in Canada.

Shortly after twelve o'clock, the President, Dr. Clarke, took the Chair and called the Council to order.

The Registrar, Dr. Strange, called the roll, when the following reported themselves present, viz.:—Of Electoral Divisions, Dr. Edwards, Western and St. Clair; Dr. Hyde, Malahide and Tecumseth; Dr. Wm. Clarke, Saugeen and Brock; Dr. Covernton, Gore and Thames; Dr. Pyne, Erie and Niagara; Dr. Hamilton, Burlington and Home; Dr. Agnew, Midland and York; Dr. McGill, King's and Queen's; Dr. Dewar, Newcastle and Trent; Dr. Day, Quinte and Cataraqui; Dr.