

unexpectedly to dinner—they would not answer for their lives a single day unless they give up such unwholesome practices.

Women have got already sufficient means of mastering us. Let them have doctors of their own sex to assist them, and the husband's case will be indeed a hard one.

"Perhaps, after all, there is no great absurdity in the notion of female physicians. All physicians except those who practice gratuitously, may be designated by the word female spell with another *e*; and there are not a few of whom that is all that can be said. If the head woman is not calculated for the formation of a diagnosis she can at least shake it in a difficult case, as effectually as a man can; and having a softer and more musical voice than the masculine, she is better qualified than the most men are for that large part of medical practice which consists in whispering comfort to invalids."—*Punch*.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE UNIVERSITY LYING-IN HOSPITAL IN THE CITY OF MONTREAL.

[Assented to 18th December, 1854.]

Whereas an Association hath existed for several years in the City of Montreal, in this Province, under the name of the University Lying-in Hospital, the object whereof is charitable and to afford the means of furthering the acquisition of obstetrical science, and supply scientific aid to destitute females at a critical period; And whereas the said Association is composed of the persons hereinafter named and others, who have set forth in their Petition, that the Incorporation of the said Association would greatly increase and secure the advantages resulting therefrom, and have prayed that they and their successors may be incorporated in conformity with the regulations and provisions hereinafter mentioned: Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and intituled, *An Act to re-unite the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and for the Government of Canada*, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, as follows:

I. Margaret Lunn, Mary Fulford, Eleanor Ostell, Directresses; Augusta Durnford, Secretary, of the said University Lying-in Hospital; Andrew F. Holmes, M.D., G. W. Campbell, M.D., O. Bruneau, M.D., W. Sutherland, M.D., James Crawford, M.D., William E. Scott, M.D., William Wright, M.D., Robert Palmer Howard, M.D., and William Fraser, M.D., Consulting Physicians to the same; Archibald Hall, M.D., Physician in Attendance, and Benjamin Workman, M.D., Medical Registrar, also Officers of the said Lying-in Hospital, and such other persons as now are or shall, under the provisions of this Act and the Bye-laws of the said Association, be or become Members thereof, shall be, and they are hereby constituted a Corporation, under the name of "The University Lying-