

mity, awaiting configuration of the head, some remarkable cases of which in paper imitation are displayed. If in reason of absolute or relative incompatibility, the birth is impossible, resort is had to craniotomy and cephalotripsy, or the Cæsarian section, as the individual case may demand, making also, in this connection, a difference which appears rational between a simple living child, and one capable of life, meaning by the latter a child which has not been so injured, either by pressure or operative procedure, as to implicate its life after birth. Where the character of the deformity is previously known, premature labor is induced in time for favorable results. The method being Kirwisch's, or the injection of warm water into the vagina; the effect being ascribed, not to the contraction due to reflex action induced by the heat, but to the simple mechanical extension of the vaginal walls to its utmost limits, and consequent involvement of the cervix, as can be verified by the introduction of the finger during the injection, when it will be ascertained that the vagina is everywhere in contact with the pelvic walls. A simple can of a quart capacity, held above the patient, lying over a proper receptacle, and a rubber tube with convenient nozzle, are all that is necessary. From one to half a dozen injections effect the result. Should the indicatus vitalis render the accouchement imperative during the first three months, the sound is introduced in the utero, and gently turned toward each angle before withdrawal. The external pelvic measurements, in which the most confidence is placed, are the bitrochanteric which should amount to eleven inches, and the circumference from the sacro-vertebral junction, ant. sup. spin. process, and the symphysis, a tape line around these points should give thirty-four inches in the normal pelvis.

ONTARIO MEDICAL ACT.

We give clauses 18, 19, and 20, of the new Medical Bill, being the principal point in which it differs from the old Act.

18. Every person desirous of being registered under the fifteenth section of this Act, and who shall not have become possessed of any one of the qualifications in the said schedule A mentioned before the expiration of the period of six months after the passing of this Act shall, before being entitled to registration, present himself for examination as to his knowledge and skill for the efficient practice of his profession, before the Committee of Examination in the next section mentioned, and upon passing the examination required, and proving to the satisfaction of the Committee of Examination that he possesses one or more of the qualifications enumerated in schedule A, and that he has otherwise complied with the rules and regulations made by the General Council, and on the payment of such fees as the Council may determine, such person shall be entitled to be registered, and in virtue of such registration, to practice Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery in the Province of Ontario.

20. At the first regular meeting of the General Council, after the passing of this Act, and at the Annual Meeting in each year thereafter, there shall be elected by the members thereof either from among themselves or from among the other duly

qualified medical practitioners resident in the Province, a Committee composed of not less than seven, nor more than twelve members, whose duty it shall be to examine all candidates for registration under the next preceding section.

20. The Council shall, from time to time, as occasion may require, make orders, regulations or by-laws for regulating the registers to be kept under this Act, and the fees to be paid for registration; and shall, from time to time, make rules and regulations for the guidance of the Committee of Examination, and may prescribe the subjects and mode of the examinations, the time and places of holding the same, and generally may make all such rules and regulations in respect of such examinations, not contrary to the provisions of this Act, as they may deem expedient and necessary.

MEETING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF VICTORIA COLLEGE.

The annual meeting of the Medical section of the above Association was held in this City on the 1st and 2nd of October.

The following members were present at the opening:—

J. H. Sangster, A.M., M.D., President, in the chair. Drs. Geikie, Aurora; Berryman, Yorkville; Canniff, Barrick, J. S. Scott, L. Brock, O. R. Buchanan, A. M. Rosebrugh, and R. Ewing, of Toronto; H. Strange, of Hamilton; G. J. Potts, and P. V. Dorland, of Belleville; B. W. Day, Kingston; J. O'Donnell, Peterboro'; H. F. Tuck, Guelph; S. L. Nash, Ameliasburgh; D. Marquis, Mount Pleasant; W. C. Hagerman, Lynedock; Jas. D. Stevenson, Kleinburg; W. E. Millard, Grimsby; B. F. Pearson, Queensville; S. A. King, Kingsville; Thos. Beatty, Etobicoke; R. B. Aylsworth, Lansdown; W. McGregor, Cummingsville; Wm. Philp, Waterdown; and D. Clark, Princeton.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

A communication was then read from the Rev. Dr. Nelles, Cobourg, regretting inability to be present.

The President then delivered the Annual Address, in which he graphically sketched the history of Medicine and Surgery, from the earliest to the present times. Before the Address proper, he made some observations on the present situation of the Profession in Ontario, from which we cull the following remarks:—

"I feel that this is an Association calculated to do a vast amount of good, if we remember its objects, keep them always in view, and that in this as in all the other human institutions, union is strength. Therefore, it behooves us to adhere to each other, and do what in us lies to the advancement of medical science, and the extension of the usefulness of