

detected. Unless the words "Holloway, New York and London," are distinguishable as a water-mark on each leaf of the book of directions accompanying the preparations, the articles are fraudulent."

Another taken almost at random, is that of N. H. Down's Vegetable Balsamic Elixir. Here are its concluding words :

"The price of this article is 50 cents and \$1 per bottle, and for Trial Bottles 25 cts. The trial bottle we have not put up till within a few months. We do it now that all may give it a trial at the least possible expense. There is a little counterfeit Elixir in the market, made by Jasper Curtis, of St. Albans, Vt., but it is not signed with pen, N. H. Downs, but is signed with red ink, J. Curtis. This is a base counterfeit, and can easily be detected as above, and from the fact that it sells and is marked 37½ and 75 cts. per bottle. Of course said Curtis dare not sign it with pen N. H. Downs, as that would be forgery. *Beware of Jasper Curtis's counterfeit!* Remember the genuine is warranted, and is signed, with pen, with my name, *N. H. Downs.*"

And the last which we will notice is the advertisement of Prof. Charles De Grath's "Electric Oil," which after sundry encomia on its surprising powers, terminates modestly in the following words :

"None Genuine without the name of Prof. *Charles DeGrath*. Principal Office—217 South Eighth Street, Philadelphia. No Pedlars sell this article. Beware!"

We regret to be compelled to ask our readers to compare these last four extracts with the advertisement of Mr. Davenport, and if one reflection will force itself more painfully on their minds than another, we are convinced it will be, that as the first lapse from virtue in a woman is but the commencement usually of a headlong descent to the deepest degradation, so has the lapse from strict ethical propriety in the case of the authors of the chlorodyne, led them to proceedings whose like is only to be met with among parties who are beyond the pale of the Profession.

What has the whole British Medical Press been about for months past, that not one word of remonstrance has been raised against such practices? We remember well the time when the *Lancet* would have been the first to denounce them. Let that press find no fault with us if we recall it to what we cannot but consider its duty; and let it remember that though in Canada, we still may maintain an interest in the proceedings of the profession in England, and that it is only "*cælum non animum mutant qui trans mare currunt.*"

THE BILLS RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL MATTERS BEFORE THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Not one of the Bills on which, in preceding numbers of this Journal, we bestowed some attention has become Law. The Parliament has terminated its session, and thus ends all legislation for twelve months to come. With regard to some of the bills we do not regret this finale to their appearance, but if there is one for whose end in this manner we do entertain feelings of regret, it is the Registration Bill for Upper Canada. Liberal in the extreme as we thought it, and we have carefully studied it; interfering with no vested rights, but desirous only of placing a wide line of distinction between the regularly educated physician and surgeon, and the ignorant pretender; demanding nothing more for