

ability of the induction of premature labour in similar cases was supported by several speakers, and several cases were cited in which the treatment had been successful.

Dr. REDDY introduced the subject of the proposed Amendments to the Medical Act of the Province of Lower Canada. After some discussion of the subject,

Dr. REDDY, seconded by Dr. Ross, proposed that a special meeting be called to discuss the matter.

In a requisition signed by Drs. Ross, Reddy and Feawick, Dr. Campbell (F. W.) the chairman and 1st Vice-President, called a meeting for Monday, the 22nd of November, and the Secretary was instructed to issue circulars to the members, calling them together on that day, to consider the "Proposed Amendments to the Medical Act."\*

JOHN BELL, A. M., M. D.,

Secretary-Treasurer.

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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We earnestly ask our Subscribers to remit the amount they may be due us.

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A GROUNDLESS CHARGE.

A villainous attempt to injure the reputation of a worthy and most honorable medical man, Dr. Le Cavallier, of St. Laurent, was made the early part of December, by a woman named Paquin, who accused him of rape. The Doctor was arrested and brought before the Police Magistrate at Montreal, but the moment an investigation was begun, the maliciousness and utter groundlessness of the charge became apparent. We never had any doubt of the issue, from our knowledge of Dr. Le Cavallier, but now that he has been most honorably acquitted, we congratulate him that his character has been so completely vindicated.

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\*This meeting was held, and largely attended. A resolution, condemning any attempt at hasty legislation, and the necessity of submitting to the profession any alterations which might be proposed in the present Act, was passed: As the Society finally came to the conclusion that the contemplated meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, which had been called for the 24th of November, was illegal, and that the consideration of the proposed Bill would not be entered upon, they determined to simply place it upon record, to be used subsequently if occasion should demand it.—EDITOR RECORD.

AN EXPLANATION.

In our December number we made a few remarks upon the proposed New Medical Bill, which, in May last, was submitted to the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada, as the report of a Committee which had been appointed at the previous Tri-annual meeting of the College to suggest amendments to the present Act. We mentioned the names of the Committee, viz., Drs. G. W. Campbell, Jackson, Rottot, and Craik, and said that Dr. G. W. Campbell declined to act upon it as he was retiring from active professional life, and that Dr. Craik did not act. It would, of course, be inferred from the latter clause of the previous paragraph that Dr. Craik had also declined to act, indeed such was our impression. In this, however, we are in error; Dr. Craik did not act simply because he never knew he was on any such Committee. He was never notified of his appointment. Had he been informed of the fact, we are assured Dr. Craik would have accepted the duty imposed upon him by the members of the College. We regret exceedingly being the means of conveying a wrong impression.

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PERSONAL.

Dr. George W. Campbell, Dean of the Medical Faculty of McGill College, Montreal, sailed from Portland on the 18th of December in the Allan S.S. Sarmatian. We believe he intends being absent from Canada for a considerable time.

Dr. Clarke, of Princeton, Ont., has been appointed Medical Director of the Toronto Lunatic Asylum. Although Dr. Clarke has not specially devoted his energies in the direction of mental diseases, he is yet considered to be equal to the position. We hope so.

Dr. Robert Miller, son of Judge Miller, of Galt, has been appointed Surgeon to a detachment of the North-West Mounted Police. He will be stationed at Belle River.

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MARRIED.

At Fort Edward, N. Y., on the 23rd December, by the Rev. F. M. Cookson, Dr. M. Jones, of Sherbrooke, Que., to Florence Marion, only daughter of John Osgood, Esq.

DIED.

At Cowansville, Que., on the 16th December, J. P. Cowan, M.D., for many years a resident of Greenock, Scotland, and then of Montreal, aged 70 years.

Dr. Octavius Yates, of Kingston, died very suddenly from congestion of the lungs, in the early part of November last. He was much respected by his colleagues, and his death is severely lamented.

Dr. Ormond Skinner died at Waterdown, Ont., on the 25th November, aged 45 years.