

examiners of the Province of Ontario were by law restricted to \$5 per day and travelling expenses; that this sum was not exceeded in any other province of the Dominion, or in any part of the United States; that it had been the sum fixed upon when the Quebec Act first became law, and remained such for over twenty years, and that no reasonable cause could be shown why it should be doubled or trebled in the Province of Quebec, especially with the condition of the finances.

Several notices of motion were given to be discussed next year with a view to the reduction of expenses. With all respect to the personal ability of the Secretary, it was considered that \$200 was altogether too high an *honorarium* for the position. For many years the Secretary was not paid when the work of organization was immensely greater than at any time since, and no reason had been shown why the amount should have been doubled during the present term. The duties of the Secretary were fully appreciated, but financial coats must be cut according to financial cloth, and there were very special reasons why there should be now the most scrupulous economy in all directions. The question was not one of criticism of work; it was simply the practical one of necessity. The fact that after an existence of nearly thirty years, the funds of the Board show the small balance of \$147.88, and no other assets, speaks plainer than words.

The report of the College was submitted.

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## Translations

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### FROM GERMAN DENTAL JOURNALS.

#### DESTRUCTION OF TEETH IN CHEMICAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

Of the different factories, in which the teeth of the employees are more or less affected, we find the following about those engaged in the manufacture of sulphuric acid. From the report of a commission of investigation which recently met in England we take the following: In the manufacture of sulphuric acid, pyrite is the principal raw material. The powdered pyrite is roasted in specially constructed ovens, and the sulphurous acid which is formed is conducted into the so-called Glover tower. In the refilling of the ovens and the consequent opening of its doors, the sulphurous acid escapes and fills the rooms of the factory, and from these fumes the employees suffer greatly. Sulphurous acid has a depressing effect on the muscles of the heart, while on the respiratory organs it is