

the perpetuation of sects in the Council: medical men voting, simply as such, for members of the Council without distinctions being made.

The spirit of the Quebec men at the meeting of the Association was most conciliatory. I can appeal to those who now oppose the Bill and who were present at that meeting. The fact of this Bill being circulated shows a desire for fair play.

The amendments not being embodied in the Bill (of which fact much capital is made), arises merely from the fact that the whole proceedings have been copied from the minutes of the meeting of the Association, and that it was *not* thought necessary to go to the trouble and expense of a distinct compilation.

I wrote regarding the unequal nature of the representation to a medical man in Montreal, and the reply was most satisfactory. The question before the profession is whether we wish an Act which will embrace the profession throughout the Dominion. If so, let Ontario be properly represented at the next meeting of the Association; let Ontario men enter into the question heartily and in good faith, and they can obtain a Bill which will give satisfaction to all parties.

Yours sincerely,

W. OLDRIGHT.

(To the Editor of the Lancet.)

SIR,

I am induced to record the following case, should you deem it worthy of publication. I have regarded it of some interest, from its speedy course, and threatened fatal termination by suffocation.

Mr. B—, age 60, on the 10th inst., 4 p.m., called at my office and complained of a "sore throat," informing me that he had first noticed it on rising that morning, and increasing rapidly in severity during the day. He complained of *intense* pain. On examination I found much inflammation and the tongue so much swollen that it was protruded with great difficulty. His articulation was scarcely audible, his general health good (save the effects consequent on many years hard labor.) I immediately administered an emetic of sulphate of zinc from which he obtained instant relief, and at 6 p.m. went his way, since which time there has been no return of the aggravation, nor was any subsequent treatment required.

Yours, &c.,

A. S. C. M. B.

Curran, Ont., 18th Aug., 1871.