

had been working is incredible, and no amount of quibbling can relieve the Board of its responsibility.

Thus by referring to our January number it will be seen that we stand by every statement we have made, save that by *one cent* we underestimated the generosity of the Board to its employees.

We do not however think we have been mistaken in our view of their benevolent designs and their fraternal treatment of the City Medical Officer. True, in the plentitude of their generosity, they had a large number of poor people vaccinated for him. They allowed him to place a substitute in the smallpox hospital that he might be at their beck and call to perform his other duties, *insisting however upon him paying the bill*. They would cut down his princely (?) salary by several hundreds of dollars, and in other ways prove their kindly feeling toward a professional brother over whom they are placed in a little brief authority. Their persistent prosecution of him is evidenced every week in the public press and were further proof needed their own minute books and the records of the City Council bear ample witness.

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### TETANUS COMPLICATING VACCINATION.

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From various sources there have recently been reported cases in which tetanus has followed upon vaccination. A case of this nature occurred not long since in Saint John, and has already been referred to in our columns. Another case has been recorded by the newspapers from Sydney, and from various quarters in the neighboring republic instances of this unfortunate complication have been reported.

Dr. Robert N. Willson, in a paper read before the Philadelphia County Medical Society, reports a case of this nature which occurred in his practice. In this case the vaccination had been performed by another physician four weeks previous to the day on which he was called. At the end of the fourteenth day, after a moderately severe course, healing had begun, and when last seen by the vaccinating physician the ulcer was clean and quite free from any sign of secondary infection, although still discharging serum. A shield had been in