

The proposal to discontinue the representation from Victoria and Trinity was left over for the present.

There is no gainsaying the fact that there are some bodies represented on the Medical Council which ought not to hold seats there. Victoria University and the University of Trinity College have ceased teaching medicine. The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Kingston has been absorbed by Queen's University. The University of Ottawa never had a medical college. These are represented on the Medical Council at present. We contend they have no right to such representation. The Act should be amended to close these seats. As Dr. J. S. Hart said: "There is no doubt that we have rotten boroughs represented in this Council."

THE FINANCES OF THE MEDICAL COUNCIL.

We think this subject calls for serious attention at the hands of the medical profession of this province.

On the 30th June, 1908, there was on hand, in cash, the sum of \$48,359.41. On the 1st June, 1909, there was on hand, in cash, the sum of \$44,745.17, or \$3,614.24 less than in June, 1908. During the year about \$3,000 had been expended on property that might be fairly said to go to capital account.

Dr. J. A. Temple, Chairman of the Finance Committee, in submitting the report, said that when the old building was sold there was \$55,000 in cash. Now there was only \$44,745. Therefore, \$10,255 of the capital had been spent.

During the year the income had been \$27,749.77 from all sources, and the disbursements for all purposes were \$31,363.01, or an excess of outlay over income of \$3,614.24.

It is very clear that this cannot go on long, or the Medical Council will become bankrupt. A very strenuous effort should be put forth on its part to keep the expenses within the income for the year. While the Medical Council must do its duty in the matter of holding examinations, paying its officers, and other legitimate expenses, it is quite clear that controllable expenses must be curtailed so as to avoid entrenching upon the capital of the College of Physicians and Surgeons.

OVERCROWDING IN CITIES.

This is a matter of much importance to both the health and morals of every city. It will not do to allow the European notions upon this