

Hair Tonic, Dr. McNair's Acoustic Oil for deafness, Kolmstock's Vermifuge, Comstock's Nerve and Bone Liniment and Indian Vegetable Elixir, Hay's Liniment for piles and Comstock's Compound Fluid Extract of Sarsaparilla, all manufactured by Comstock & Co., 21 Cortlandt street, New York, were sold by Dr. Dunham.

In this issue appears an account of the opening of the St. Lawrence and Atlantic Railroad from Longueuil to St. Hyacinthe, which took place on January 2, 1849. These were pioneer days in railroading and the report says the expected advent of the steam engine and cars caused quite an excitement at St. Hyacinthe, as few of the inhabitants had seen anything of the kind, and the whole village turned out as for a holiday. The journey of 32 miles was made in one hour and ten minutes, exclusive of ten minutes stoppage at St. Hilaire to take in fuel.

At the annual township meeting (the people's parliament) for the township of Augusta, on Jan. 1, at a meeting composed of Tories, Conservatives, Whigs, Reformers and Radicals, Wm. Garvey, chairman; P. Pennoek, township clerk, resolutions were passed condemning a donation of £100 by the district council for the Johnstown district to the warden, as a shameful misapplication of the district funds, alike illegal and repugnant to every principle of honesty and fair dealing towards the taxpayers in the township; that the sum raised in the township for the support of the Model school is another instance of the vicious composition of the district council, as it has not hitherto been of the least benefit to the people; that the proposition to commute statute labor at the rate of 1s. 3d. per day to be paid in cash, is in the highest degree absurd—would be injurious in the extreme in reference to the making and repairing of the roads, and that the whole scheme is only calculated to benefit a few persons who may have the management of the funds thus obtained.

#### Medical Reform.

The second convention of the Thompsonians and other friends of medical reform was held at the Tem-

perance House, Farmersville. Rev. Robt. Dick, chairman, and J. G. Booth, secretary, reported the draft of a constitution for the association which was discussed and adopted with some trifling amendments. The following officers were chosen:

Peter Schofield, M.D., president and member of the board of censors.

Doctor Wm. Howey, vice-president and member of the board of censors.

Doctor J. G. Booth, secretary and member of the board of censors.

Doctor Alexander Sheriff, member of the board of censors.

It was resolved that £1 5s. constitute the admission fee of all practitioners admitted by certificate and 5 shillings per annum thereafter.

The committee appointed to collect statistical and other information in relation to the necessity of reform in the study and practise of medicine and in the laws of the province relating thereto, was relieved, and the board of censors were required to perform that duty.

Asiatic cholera was reported in New York and New Orleans, and several deaths had occurred.

#### JANUARY 11, 1849.

In the issue of the Recorder for this date appears an article under the caption, "Retrospect of 1848," from which the following extract is taken: "No part of the British Dominions has more cause to look back upon the events of 1848 with satisfaction than the Canadas. The new year had scarcely cast its first rays upon us when we were suddenly lit with the joy of a great political deliverance from a most unprincipled faction, which had long denied the province its just rights, and had carried on the government in open defiance of the most solemn guarantees for their enjoyment. Although cajoled, threatened and bribed, the province threw off the shameful yoke before the first month had expired. It was well Canada was a contented province, when her rights were no longer denied. While the world rocked with evolution and change, and the spring and summer were spent in sudden and unexpected revolutions, the whisper of discontent was scarcely heard from Gaspé to Sandwich. Fain would a few discontented in Montreal and