

of medical education to be set up. And still our correspondents, or at least one of them, tell us that the schools still dominate the Council and that that body only exists for their aggrandizement.

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The British Medical Council has greater power than that of Ontario in regard to the erasure of names—anyone guilty of misdemeanour or felony, or anyone who neglects to reply to the registrar as to his location may have his name erased. It was upon this precedent that a similar clause was introduced by the amendment of 1891, against which some objected so strongly.

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It is said that the manager of the Daggett Table Co., of Buffalo, was recently arrested by the Inspector of Mails, charged with having violated the postal laws, on the ground that the law covers "any print exposing any part or all of the genital organs of either male or female." He claimed that all prints, book or pamphlet, containing such illustrations are a violation of the postal laws, *no matter for what purpose intended*.

While thinking over the matter, we have come to the conclusion that one of two things has happened—either the Postmaster-General of the United States, through his subordinate, has been very remiss in his duties in the past, or that in the present proceeding he bears a very *striking* resemblance to a certain long-eared animal noted for its kicking proclivities.

The *Medical Herald*, in commenting, says that "one so careful of the morals of the public should use his official influence with Congress to have that august body enact a law that these organs of our domestic animals shall be so protected from view as not to shock the feelings and purity of those who may chance to own and use such animals, or be unable to avoid seeing them as they pass along the streets."

It is to be hoped that the Postmaster-General will speedily rectify the blunder made by his subordinate, for if medical literature containing such illustrations is also to be debarred from passing through the mails, much that is interesting and instructive would be removed from our library table.

## British Columbia.

*Under control of the Medical Council of the Province of British Columbia.*

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The Medical Council of this Province, in securing a portion of this journal to be devoted solely to matters of interest to British Columbian practitioners, consider that they were not only supplying an urgent want, but that they were taking the first step towards establishing a provincial medical journal in the near future. As associate editor we fancied that our labours would chiefly consist in deciding as to which of the numerous papers contributed should have precedence in the order of publication. Neither paste-pot nor scissors were provided for our sanctum.

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While it may be highly flattering to feel that our brethren prefer reading our lucubrations to their own, we must beg them to consider the impression that our empty columns must convey to those not resident in our Province. We believe, in fact we know, that numerous cases of interest are being treated daily both in our hospitals and in private practice; and from our knowledge of the qualifications and abilities of the majority of men on our register, we feel sure that careful notes are being taken of these cases.

We ask that reports of these cases, or comments upon them, be preserved by having them published in these columns. In this way not only will most interesting and instructive matter be provided for our readers, but the reproach that our medical men are either very apathetic, or else deficient in literary ability, be removed.

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Our Province is very young and still sparsely settled, but within the last ten years it has been well supplied with medical men, many of whom possess attainments which would be recognized in any city. The members of our profession in British Columbia are, as a rule, highly educated, and many of them have elected to live in our Province from a whole-souled love of their calling, a desire to investigate the etiology and morphology of disease under new conditions. The population of the smallest mining camp, as well as that of our