

A MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE CITY.

After varying fortunes in the hands of committees the appointment of a Medical Officer of Health has, at length, been determined upon by the City Council; and the salary fixed at \$1,500 per annum. This sum, we think, is too small in view of the onerous and responsible duties involved. However, as a commencement, it may suffice; and doubtless as the importance and utility of the office become more generally recognised, the recompense will be proportionately amplified. We have a shrewd suspicion that before the receipt of the memorandum forwarded by the Chairman of the Provincial Board of Health (Dr. Oldright), members of the Council had no idea of the extent or character of the duties of such a position. The City and Profession are, therefore, indebted to Dr. Oldright for his timely communication on the subject. From what we can learn it would appear that Dr. Wm. Canniff is likely to receive the appointment; a selection which, we believe, will meet with the general acceptance and approval of the Profession. We think we can promise him, therefore, the hearty co-operation of the Profession in establishing and maintaining the high utility of the office.

THE NEW CODE.

The New Code of Ethics, adopted by the New York State Medical Society a year ago, countenancing consultations on the part of its members with Homœopaths and all sorts of Irregular Practitioners of Medicine, was sustained and confirmed at the annual meeting, in the beginning of February. From the almost unanimous condemnation of the New Code by the Profession throughout the world, and by forty out of the sixty County Societies, in the State of New York, it was confidently hoped and expected that at this year's meeting, the seemingly hasty action of the previous year would be reversed. After a long and liberal discussion, how-

ever, Dr. Squibb's resolution to rescind the former vote was lost by a division of 105 to 99. The New Code being thus sustained by a majority of 6 in a pretty full meeting. The Society has thus cut itself loose from all connection with the American Medical Association, which, last year, refused to receive its delegates at St. Paul; and it is rumoured that the majority of the County Societies will now join together to form a new State Society in ethical harmony with the General Association, and the Profession at large.

In Toronto, we manage these things more quietly. One or two Surgeons consult repeatedly with Homœopaths, and although they are members of both the Ontario and Canada Medical Associations yet, these Societies meet in this city and—to their shame be it spoken—take no notice of the fact. We wonder if there be a latent fear that a discussion of the matter might reveal the existence of a general *advanced liberality* such as the State to the South of us has not blushed to proclaim.

COUNCIL EXAMINATIONS.

The Examinations will be held in Toronto and Kingston, commencing April 3rd. The Final Oral will commence at Toronto, April 10th, and at Kingston, April 12th. The Primary Examinations will commence at Kingston on the 13th, and at Toronto on the 16th. Full particulars given in advertisement.

CANADIANS ABROAD.—On 29th January, W. A. Dawson Montgomery, M.B., Toronto, (of the Toronto School), was admitted M.R.C.S., England. On the 3rd February, S. R. Rogers, M.B., Toronto, M.D., C.M., (Victoria) of Mount Forest, and W. H. Macdonald, M.D., Trinity, of Toronto, were admitted L.R.C.P. and L.R.C.S., Edin.

At the close of Dr. Morrell Mackenzie's lecture, at Bellevue, N. Y., one of the students from "out West" remarked to his neighbour, "that feller talks our language very well for a foreigner."—*Phil. Reporter.*