

views well, having evidently given the subject careful study, and it is right to add that he represents a large and powerful section of our physicians. We regret that we are not able to give an exact résumé of his address on the subject, but we would be happy to place our columns at his disposal if he would do us the favor of sending a communication on the subject.

We are glad to know that there is a growing feeling that the Council should be maintained. With all its faults—supposing it to have faults—it has done signal service to the profession of Ontario. Dr. Rogers puts that aspect of the case very clearly. By the way, what a pity it is that this champion of high standards cannot express himself without throwing out offensive insinuations against certain of his confrères who deserve no such treatment? While the majority will uphold the Council, it is remarkable to find such a strong feeling against the universities and medical colleges. There is nothing new in this, however, as the records of the various sessions of the Council show that all is not *lovely* between the territorial representatives and certain of the "schoolmen." We will return to this subject in a future issue. Many are inclined to favor that clause in Dr. Meacham's proposed amendment calling for an election every three years. Probably the worst feature of the whole agitation is the strong feeling which has been shown against the two-dollar tax. Many have urged certain reasons for opposing it which are at least intelligible; others, unfortunately, have shown a willingness, if not an eagerness, to sign any petition which will relieve them from "this burden," without the slightest consideration for any obligations resting upon the profession in the shape of debts. It was this disposition on the part of a few (we hope) that led so many laymen to think the medical profession of this province were a "mean lot."

#### SPECIAL COURSE IN BACTERIOLOGY.

Prof. Ramsay Wright will conduct a practical course in bacteriology in the Biological Department of the University during the month of May.

The course will consist of a lecture each morning at nine o'clock, after which the mem-

bers of the class will engage in practical work in the laboratory for as many hours as they can spare.

It is intended that the course shall cover the life history of the chief pathogenic forms, the experimental methods employed in studying these, and the applications of bacteriology to diagnosis.

Each member of the class will have the use of a microscope (including homogenous oil-immersion lens) and the other appliances necessary for the work. The requisite experimental animals will also be furnished.

As it is necessary to make further arrangements in advance, it is requested that those proposing to take advantage of the course should communicate with Prof. Wright at once.

The fee for the whole practical course, including the appliances and materials for study, is \$25; for the lectures alone, \$5.

#### A DISHONEST BOOK AGENT.

A correspondent from Brantford informs us that he has been victimized by a party representing himself as the agent of the Home Supply Association of Chicago. Our friend subscribed for the *New York Medical Journal* and the *Archives of Gynecology and Obstetrics*, and paid for one year in advance. As the journals did not come to hand he wrote to the company, and received the following reply:

"Your favor of the 6th instant at hand. We regret to inform you that you have been the victim of a sharper. Mr. John D. Martin is not in our employ, and we do not know him only as various physicians have reported him to us as you have done. He has worked Indiana and Michigan in the same way that he is now working Canada. We have detectives on his track, and should be very glad if you were able to assist us in apprehending him. It is unnecessary to say that we have not received a penny of his collections. We regret this unauthorized use of our name, but feel sure that, after reading this letter, you will hold us guiltless in the matter.

"HOME SUPPLY ASSOCIATION."

Chicago, April 8, 1892.