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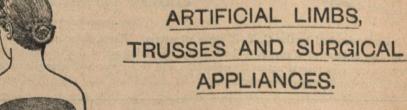
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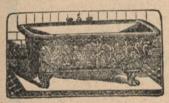
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CASES IN PRACTICE.

By ERNEST HALL, Fellow of Bt. Gynæcologue Society, Victoria, B.C.

Mrs. B., aged 32, married, two natural labors, between four and five months pregnant, seen June 30th. Had pain in right ovarian region, no febrile symptoms, uterus decidedly inclined towards affected side, vaginal examination revealed tenderness marked along side of uterus, but no increase of density nor fluctuation. Pain became rhythmical, and during each pain the uterus could be felt to harden and incline slightly forward. Next day pain increased, a second vaginal examination was negatial, morphine was given. with salines, and heat applied externally. Patient improved, and with difficulty could be kept in bed. On fourth night pain increased and temperature rose to 100°. Next morning swelling was detected, and temperature somewhat higher. In the afternoon an examination under ether showed well defined mass to right of uterus. She was ordered to the hospital, and arrangements made for operation next morning.

At the hospital she passed a restless night, and complained of great pain. When I saw her at 7 a.m. her face revealed the condition, and the distension of the abdomen confirmed it. Some time subsequent to the examinaation, possibly while on the way to the hospital, the adhesions had given way, and we had to deal with peritoneal sepsis. She was placed on the table as soon as possible and the worst fears confirmed, pus free in abdominal cavity and gangrenous appendix. The primary abscess wall had been composed of the ovary tube and ligament below and intestinal coils within and above, as these parts were coated with lymph. Appendix was removed, abdomen flushed and drained, patient placed in bed. Bowels acted once, no vomiting, extreme pain and death in eleven hours.

The occurrence of appendicitis with pregnancy is a rare condition on this coast, and so far as I can determine this is the first case reported. It may possibly lead some of us to consider more seriously the pains which pregnant women so frequently complain of, especially when their location is the right side and not the proverbial left. This is another life sacrificed to delay and conservative surgery. We still require the voice of Murphy to call us to early operation. Better an operation in a shack without aseptic surroundings done while the poison is localized, than the best of hospital facilities with an infected peritoneal cavity. This case is one of a class which White and Bergman would teach us is hopelessly beyond the possibility of surgical relief, but it is satisfactory to hear of our Holmes, of Chatham, proving that Philadelphia and Berlin may be in error this once. If statistics are our goal we would be wise to refuse operation on all cases after rupture of abscess peritonitis and paralysis of the bowel; but where saving life is our only object we must fearlessly advance, and trust that at least occasionally we may be so fortunate as was the Kent hero, whose success has marked a new era in abdominal surgery.

Proceedings at Meeting of Medical Council of Ontario.

Dr. Reddick-I think it will require very few remarks on my part to convince every member of the Council of the necessity for this. If the Registrar has a book in which all the by-laws, and nothing else, are to be put, even if the committee which may be appointed re codifying of the by-laws is not appointed, we will have a book in which we can look at the by-laws; and I think I might have added that the rules and regulations as they are passed might be put in that same book. As it is at present, it is a very awkward thing for any new member of the Council to ascertain what the by-laws and regulations are, and it requires a very long memory for the old members of the Council to remember everything that is passed. In order to find out the exact meaning of any by-law you have got to go and bother the Registrar and get him to turn up all the minutes that have been passed in the last twenty or twenty-five years; and it is an almost impossible thing to get at anything definitely. I think that the use of this book, which would cost only a nominal sum, and the entering of the by-laws as they are passed in it, will expedite matters very much.

Dr. THORBURN-Has that reference to the future only or does it refer to the past as

well.

Dr. Reddick—Only the future. I might have added perhaps that there should be a

combination of the proposed committees of Drs. Thorburn and Roome.

Dr. Williams—I think every member of the Council will be fully satisfied that the proposition made is a wise one, but I do not think we ought to narrow it down and say "only for the future." My conviction is there should be a by-law book, and that that book should contain all the by-laws of this Council in force; then if the consolidation is carried out, that is just the time when they could be consolidated and entered in the new by-law book, and then that book would be always accessible to the members of the Council.

I think the two thoughts should be combined into one and acted on together.

Dr. McLaughlin-Would it not expedite matters if the mover would allow this to stand, and when the other similar motions come up, consider them all together? Dr. Thorburn's and Dr. Roome's motions run parallel to this, and it would be well, I think, if they were all considered together. I agree with Dr. Williams that all the by-laws should be consolidated and printed and put into the hands of every member of the Council, because if they are simply in the book here, who can see them except those in the city? And we want all to be conversant with the by-law, and that can not be accomplished unless they are codified and printed and put into the hands of the members.

Dr. Reddick-I think a book is necessary in any case, and that is all my motion refers However, I am quite willing to do anything to aid matters, and I will leave my motion till the discussion relating to the same thing comes up again, with the permission of the

Council.

Leave granted.

Dr. Williams moved, seconded by Dr. Shaw, and resolved, that the Council do now go into Committee of the Whole on the subject of establishing medical tariffs on a legal basis. The President put the motion, and on a vote having been taken, declared it carried.

Council in Committee of the Whole. Dr. Bray in the chair.

Dr. Williams—Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,—It will be within the knowledge, I presume, of all the members of the Council that we have no legalized tariff in any of the divisions in any part of Ontario; it will also be within your knowledge that we formerly had an Act by which each territorial division could decide on a tariff for itself and have that submitted to the Medical Council, and it then became a legalized medical tariff for that division. You will all be aware that during the last session of Parliament that portion of the Medical Act was repealed, and that we have no legalized tariff in any part of the province. Perhaps it is only just to the gentleman who had this repealed to make a little explanation. There has been considerable fault found with a medical friend of ours for having taken in a bill for this purpose, but I think a few moments' explanation will show you that he is not deserving of any censure, but, on the contrary, was working in the interest of the Council and the profession. You are all aware that during the last year or two we have had what you may call a third party in politics in this country—the Patrons of Industry, and throughyou may call a third party in politics in this country—the ratrons of Industry, and throughout the country during the last election the highest flights of statesmanship they were able to reach were in connection with the medical profession and the monopoly they had, and about the high tariffs, and otherwise to ill-use, and abuse and rob, may I say, the people of this province. During the contest it is within my knowledge that even in the very division represented by the Premier, that subject was pushed from one hustings to another; it was also pushed in the adjacent electoral division, and I think I am safe in saying that in almost all, if not all, constituencies where there was a Patron candidate, that became the principal subject that was brought before the electors. During that election the Premier (I think I

am not abusing confidence when I say this) felt himself by one circumstance to be in a rather awkward position, and it was this the point was urged that the medical men themselves established what would be their fee, it was submitted to the Medical Council-another lot of medical men-and they were by that Act empowered to fix what should be the legal price and impose that upon the public. The Premier felt there was a certain amount of force in that, and that it was absolutely necessary that that matter should be changed in some form. Now, when the Legislature met, I think I am not abusing confidence when I tell you that the Government had a measure prepared for the purpose of repealing that portion, and throwing it back upon the profession to devise some new means that would not be open to that objection. That bill was placed in the hands of our friend, Dr. McKay, and he put it through. It was a Government measure notwithstanding, and would have passed whether Dr. McKay were willing or not. Now, that puts us in this position that we are without legal standing so far as tariffs are concerned, and the question crops up as to what is the best course to be pursued. There have been three or four suggestions that I have heard; and I may tell you that in bringing this matter before this committee I am not coming here to seek to gain adherents to any settled idea in my own mind. I am rather bringing it up in Council so that we may have a full expression of opinion from other members of the Council, and if we can devise the means that will be satisfactory, then we will embody that in a somewhat substantial form; and I have the assurance that if we can put it in a form that will not be objectionable, the Government will be quite willing to pass it through the House, and there will be no trouble on that score. Now, what are the features which it must possess that it shall not be objectionable? Well, it is this one feature that when the tariff is established, whether by this Council or wherever it may be established, it must be submitted to some person outside of the medical profession, who shall pass upon it and say whether it is a just and fair one. There are several ideas with reference to that. One is that it might be submitted to the County Judge in the division where it is brought in force; another is that it might be submitted to a High Court Judge; and still a third, that it be submitted to the Governor-in-Council. I am free to say for myself that I do not believe that any of those are as competent to pass upon it as the Medical Council are, so far as getting at what is just and right. Notwithstanding that that is my conviction, I feel that the Premier was perfectly right, in order to protect himself and his Government, in insisting that it be passed before some other party. I think it was right, and it is a question for the Council to consider just what is the best way to adopt. Some hold to the view that it would be better for the Council to go into this subject and establish a universal tariff In reference to that, it will strike almost any of you that for the entire province. there are sometimes local reasons why a tariff in this division may be reasonable at one price. and that in another section it might be reasonable at a considerably larger price; and hence a universal tariff is not without some faults. Then again, a local tariff may have its objections too. In considering this there is also the fact to be considered that perhaps a local tariff submitted to the senior County Judge in the division would bring the practitioners in touch with the Judge, and if they had cases going before him he would understand what he was dealing with. Then again, there is the third idea, and that is that we do as we did before the establishment of the Act—do without any tariff at all. That has some advantages; one advantage is, that the cry that the Patrons and the Patron party have got up against the profession throughout the entire country would be set aside, and I do not think the profession would be any worse off, because I think you could collect your reasonable bills just exactly as well as you did before; in fact, before we had any such legalized tariff we had no more difficulty in collecting our fees than we had when the tariff was in force, and I must say I am quite inclined myself to the view that we would be just as well for a year or two at any rate, until this excitement has passed over, without any tariff. Notwithstanding that I think the members of the Council should give very full thought and expression upon this subject, and then if we can embody the matured thought of the Council, if I may use the term, into the form of an Act, I am quite satisfied that the Government will assist us in getting that Act through the House. I am somewhat doubtful, as I said, whether it would not be advisable,

just for the present, to pass no Act at all, and to allow the matter to remain in abeyance for at least a year. But we are open to hear the views of the members of the Council.

Dr. Britton—Mr. Chairman,—With your indulgence I would like to state to the Council a dilemma which I am in at present. As chairman of the Education Committee I last night appointed a time for meeting an important deputation from the University of Toronto, and I set that time at eleven o'clock this morning, with the expectation that there would not be very much business before the Council. It would now please me very much, and help along the Education Committee very much, and would be only an act of courtesy and justice to the large number of medical gentlemen who are present, to make this meeting

as short as possible.

The Chairman (Dr. Bray)—As those gentlemen have come up here, and they are busy men, I would suggest to Dr. Williams that he move that the committee rise and take up this question later on.

Dr WILLIAMS-I move that the committee do now rise, and ask leave to sit again.

Dr. McLaughlin-Do I understand that Dr. Britton alone has an engagement with

certain gentlemen from the University

Dr. Britton-I have not so much egotism as to ask the indulgence of this Council to the extent that they cut their business short for the purpose of allowing me to carry out some personal engagement which I have made. I am not a Uriah Heep but I have a certain amount of humility. The engagement is between the Committee on Education, of which I am chairman, and a large deputation which has been sent to us from the University of Toronto for a certain purpose.

The Chairman then put the motion, and on a vote having been taken, declared it carried.

The committee rose. The President in the chair.

Dr. Moore—I would suggest that the deputation from the Toronto University be now heard before the Council. This will probably settle the whole matter in eight or ten

minutes, and it will expedite matters, I think.

Dr. Britton-I am very much inclined to think that the conference will be more in the nature of an ordinary conversation than in the shape of a formal discussion, and I think it will facilitate matters very much to allow the Committee on Education to take the matter in hand. I suggest that simply to save a great deal of time. There will be a full report given, of course, to the Council by the committee. The subject to be considered is this. There is a proposal made by the University of Toronto that hereafter the sessions be eight months proposal made by the University of Toronto that hereafter the sessions be eight months instead of six months, and that the summer session be eliminated. I cannot say what the opinion of the Committee on Education is in regard to the matter. It has not been expressed. The matter has not been brought before them at all. They have simply stated the nature of the case and appointed a time for a conference. I am sure it will facilitate matters very much, and a great deal of time will be saved, if you allow the intentions of the committee to be carried out. The matter was referred to the committee, and this is the course we have decided to purest. course we have decided to pursue.

Dr. Bray-I move that the Council do now adjourn to 2 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of allowing the conference between the gentlemen from Toronto University and the Educa-

tion Committee to take place.

Dr. MOORE—In view of what Dr. Britton has said, I have much pleasure in seconding this motion, and I withdraw the suggestion I made that the deputation be received now by the Council.

The President put the motion, and on a vote having been taken, declared it carried, and

the Council adjourned to 2 o'clock p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

THURSDAY, June 13th, 1895.

The President in the chair, called the meeting to order.

The Registrar called the roll. The following members were present: Drs. Armour, Barrick, Bray, Britton, Brock, Campbell, Dickson, Emory, Fowler, Geikie, Graham, Hanly, Harris, Henderson, Henry, Logan, Luton, Machell, Moore, Moorhouse, McLaughlin, Reddick, Rogers, Roome, Rosebrugh, Sangster, Shaw, Thorburn, Thornton, Williams.

The Registrar read the minutes, which were confirmed as read and signed by the

President.

The PRESIDENT-Pursuant to motion of Dr. Bray, the first order of business for the session of the Council this afternoon is that the report of the Committee on Discipline should be taken up. I see that Dr. Day, an old member of the Council, and still Chairman of the Committee on Discipline, is with us; I will now ask Dr. Day to come to the platform and take the Registrar's chair.

Dr. Day then advanced to the platform and was greeted with loud and hearty applause. Dr. Bray moved, seconded by Dr. Logan, that in accordance with notice of motion the

report of the Discipline Committee be received. Carried.

Dr. Day (Chairman of the Discipline Committee)-Mr. President and Gentlemen, I have pleasure in presenting to you the report of the Discipline Committee for the last year as follows:

To the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario:

Your Committee on Discipline beg to report that during the past year they have had before them the case of Ezekiel Aurey Alvin Benson Rose, and have held an investigation thereon, particulars of which are appended to this report, together with the findings of your Committee thereon, there is also appended a copy of the evidence submitted and the proceedings taken and had before your Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated at Toronto, this 13th day of June, A.D. 1895.

HENRY W. DAY, Chairman.

To the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario:

Your Committee appointed to enquire into the facts re the complaint of Thos. Wasson against Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose, M.D., for erasure from the register as a member and registered practitioner of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario.

Your Committee duly met after notice of the charges in the subject matter of the enquiry to be conducted had been given to the said Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose who did not appear personal, but was represented by counsel on Wednesday, the 15th day of May, 1895, at the town of Brooksille. at the town of Brockville, and on Friday, the 7th day of June, 1895, at the town of Brockville, when witnesses were examined in support of the petition, and when the said Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose gave evidence on his own behalf; and after hearing the evidence, which herewith accompanies this report, your Committee arrives at the following conclusions:

1. As to charge one, which alleges, "That the said Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose procured his registration as a member of the said College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario on or about the 23rd day of November, 1872, upon the false and fraudulent representation that he was entitled to such registration as Certificate Eclectic Medical Board, 1868, M.D.

Eclectic Medical College, Penn., U.S.A., 1869, your committee find that no evidence was produced by the prosecution, the documents upon which the prosecution depended not having been brought forward in response to the subpenas issued."

2. As to charge two, which alleges, "That the said Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose has been guilty of infamous or disgraceful conduct in a professional respect, the particulars of which are as follows: By causing to be printed or published and distributed in or about the month of August, 1892, certain pamphlets setting forth the details of certain diseases (particularly cancer) and urging all persons suffering from any such symptoms to come to him, the said Rose, representing that he could cure the same, whereas the said Rose well knew that if such persons really had the disease or ailment mentioned in the pamphlet the same could not be cured by him in the manner therein set forth."

Your Committee find this charge to be proved.

3. As to charge three, which alleges, "That the said Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose has been guilty of infamous or disgraceful conduct in a professional respect, the particulars of which are as follows: By entering into an agreement with the proprietor of a certain patent medicine, namely, Dodd's Kidney Pills, whereby the said Rose received money or other valuable consideration for prescribing, recommending and advertising the said patent medicine and for the use of his name to be advertised as having been cured by the said patent medicine."

Your Committee find the charge not proven.

4. As to charge four, which alleges, "That the said Ezekiel A. A. B. Rose has been guilty of infamous or disgraceful conduct in a professional respect, the particulars of which are as follows: By allowing his name to be used by the proprietors of a certain patent medicine, namely, Dodd's Kidney Pills, and advertised in the following newspapers, that is to say, in the Toronto Evening News, in the issue of February 17th, 1894; in the daily Empire, in the various issues during the year 1893; in the Kingston Whig, in the issue of January 4th, 1893; in the Toronto Evening Star, in the issue of March 10 and November 17th, 1894; in the Toronto Empire, in the issue of December 8th, 1893; in the Brockville Recorder, in the issue of February 19th, 1894; in various other payers policies. Recorder, in the issue of February 12th, 1894; in various other newspapers published in the Province of Ontario, and also in various other issues of a certain publication entitled "Press Clippings," published by the proprietors of Dodd's Kidney Pills, and particularly in certain issues thereof dated in 1894, and being numbered Vol. 2, No. 3 and Vol. No. 2, No. 3.

Your Committee find the charge proved.

5. Your Committee also find the defendent guilty of having stated to one, Thomas K. Scovil, that he (the defendant) was a graduate of McGill College, although he (said defendant)

never held any degree from said college.

6. Your Committee, after consultation with Mr. B. B. Osler, Q.C., solicitor for your honorable body, would recommend that the seals and all matters of records formerly belonging to and used by the eclectic and homoeopathic bodies of this province when they possessed and exercised the right and privilege of granting licenses and such other qualifications as they were by law then empowered to issue, be procured by this Council and kept in their custody, as by the union or merging of the said eclectic and homeopathic bodies with the general profession, forming the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, said College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario became the successors and the said Eclectic and Homoeopathic bodies, and therefore entitled to all seals and matters of Signed on behalf of the Committee.

HENRY W. DAY, Chairman of Committee.

Dated at Toronto, this 13th day of June, A.D. 1895.

As to clause one of report in the matter of E. A. A. B. Rose, I may say the prosecution there relied upon documents and so forth of the old Eclectic Board, and that they subprenaed the secretary of that Board, who came, but said he could not produce any documents, as they were not in his possession; he said he had had them at one time, but he did not know now where they were; so that the prosecution gave no evidence. The defence, however, did give evidence on this charge. I am not at liberty to sum up the evidence for you, because there is no distinct finding on it, but I must say the evidence had an effect upon the minds of the Committee which led them to believe there would not have been a very great deal of difference if the documents could have been produced. (Dr. Day then read the report as to charges Nos. 2 and 3.) Referring to charge No. 3, the report is that it is not proven that he received any pecuniary remuneration for it. I may say, if I am permitted, I not having now a right to speak as a member of the Council, I would recommend that that last clause of the report be acted on by the Council if it is possible to get the documents and things referred to in it, as I think it is very important that they should be got. I am not saying improper use has been made of them, but I am saying it is possible that improper use could be made of them; it would be a very easy matter to make improper use of that seal and those documents without anybody bec ming any the wiser of it. I have a letter here from Mr. Lavell, counsel for Dr. Rose, the defendant in this case, consenting that charge No. 1 be allowed to stand as if not completed, that it be left an open charge for any investigation that may be taken by the Council at any future time on giving the proper legal notice of two weeks; and he also pledges Dr. Rose will in the future do nothing unprofessional in case the Council should see fit to simply suspend decision in the matter. This would leave the Council just in the position they are in now, free to take up or free to suspend or do as they deem right, on condition that charge No. 1 relative to fraudulent registration be left entirely open, as if it hadn't been completed, as it certainly has not been to the satisfaction of the prosecution. I beg to submit the report of the Discipline Committee, together with a copy of the evidence.

Dr. Bray moved, seconded by Dr. Logan, that the report be adopted.

Dr. WILLIAMS-Is this not a matter of sufficient importance that we should go into Com-

mittee of the Whole and get to know more about it? Dr. LOGAN-I think we have had the opinion of Mr. Osler on this subject, and that he

said the adoption of this report should be in Council.

Dr. Day-Any action taken must be taken in Council.

Dr. WILLIAMS-In order that we may have some idea what we are doing and know what

we are acting upon, I think the evidence should be given to us. Dr. Logan—The discussion may take place in Committee of the Whole, but the final

action must be had in Council.

Dr. Reddick-What is the effect of adopting this report? Does it necessitate the

erasure of the gentleman's name from the register?

Dr. Bray-I will move, seconded by Dr. Rogers, that this Council go into Committee of the Whole on the report of the Discipline Committee on one E. A. A. B. Rose,

The President put the motion.

Dr. McLaughlin-If the report of the Committee is satisfactory I do not see any necessity of going into Committee of the Whole to see whether it is satisfactory or whether it is not; to do that intelligently, it seems to me, we would have to go over the whole evidence, and that I do not suppose the Council propose to do. If any member of the Council thinks there has been wrong doing on the part of the Committee, that is, that their judgment has erred, and that they have not done just right, you may go into Committee of the Whole. But so far as I know, I know nothing about it, and am prepared to accept the report unless there is some objection taken to it, and that would avoid the necessity of going into committee.

Dr. Bray-I do not wish to say anything on this subject, I being a member of the Discipline Committee, but it seems to me it is the findings of this committee you are to decide on. The Committee has made findings on these charges and they have reported those findings to you. If the Council wishes to see the evidence on which the Committee bases its findings the evidence is here, and we can go into committee or take it up in open Council as you like. It will take a long time to go over the evidence. It has been a custom here to accept the findings of the Committee unless someone has some objection, in which case

the findings on that point can be gone into.

Dr. DAY-Dr. Rose has been served with notice to appear here and show cause why his name should not be erased. Mr. Lavell, his counsel, is here on his behalf, and Mr. L. G. McCarthy, who was present at the last hearing of this matter before the Discipline Committee in Brockville, on behalf of the prosecution, is also present, and I fancy it would be as well for the Council to hear those gentlemen. I do not presume that either of them will take up much of your time, and they probably will give to you the evidence more quickly than you could possibly get it yourselves by attempting to go over it. I think if the Council heard these gentlemen it would facilitate matters very much.

Dr. Bray asked permission of the Council to withhold his motion in order that counsel

might be heard. Leave granted.

Messrs. Lavell and McCarthy were then requested by the President to come forward and address the Council.

Mr. Lavell, counsel for Dr. Rose, then addressed the Council as follows:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Council of the College of Physicians and Surgeons,— Practice of this kind is somewhat new, as you can readily understand, to me; and I do not now, in addressing you on behalf of Dr. Rose, desire, and in fact I do not consider myself capable, in the limited time at our disposal, of going into the evidence in detail that was taken before your Discipline Committee; it is simply out of the question to do it intelligently unless I take a matter of two or three hours, and I am afraid after two or three hours conversation that even you, gentlemen, would hardly be prepared to listen to me intelli-

gently, and I have no desire to detain you for that length of time.

The first charge on the finding of the Discipline Committee has practically not been proven, and as far as my client is concerned at the present moment, that disposes of that charge. As to the second charge I can only say on behalf of Dr. Rose that the charge as it is laid, that this pamphlet is published, is correct and the Committee is correct in finding, as they did, that that pamphlet was published. There is no attempt on my part or on the part of Dr. Rose to deny that there was a pamphlet published, and the pamphlet speaks for itself, and you, gentlemen, and the Committee are in a good deal better position to judge of the correctness of the statements in it than I am. I can only say, however, that Dr. Rose insisted before the Committee that when he published that pamphlet he believed the statements in it were true; and I desire to add another statement which I think will be found clearly on the evidence to be correct, and the Discipline Committee will bear me out in saying that Dr. Rose, after having published this pamphlet, had a conversation with a couple of doctors in the town of Perth, who told him they considered the publication of this pamphlet was unprofessional and was something that was not proper for a medical man to do. Dr. Rose then says, and I think all the evidence bears out the statement and there is nothing whatever to contradict it, that although he had some ten thousand of these pamphlets, of which only two or three hundred had been distributed, he, in the winter of 1892, at once destroyed all that were left and that he didn't afterwards distribute any others. And there is not only his own evidence before the Committee that no person went to him on account of those pamphlets, but there is the further statement on his part that after that day he did not attempt in any way to practice on patients for cancer; I think the evidence clearly is that since that date he has had no cancer patients whatever. I think this is a fact that should be borne in mind by the Committee and by the Council, and should be considered by you gentlemen; and, under all the circumstances, such a heavy penalty should not be passed upon him for the publication of that pamphlet, after three years have elapsed, as being forbidden to further practice his profession. I am making very bald comments on the evidence.

The third charge has been found by the Committee to be not proven; and I see upon reading the report of the Committee that they find the fourth charge to be correct. There is not the slightest doubt, and I do not wish this afternoon in speaking to you intelligent professional men, to attempt to go into this evidence as counsel are often compelled to do in talking to a jury. These are matters on which you are just as well able, and possibly better able, to judge than I am; and I do not wish either to take up your time by saying or doing anything in connection with this matter that would belittle the questions or make it appear as though I had belittled your intelligence in considering them. There is no question as to this fourth charge, that on October 30th, 1893 (I think the evidence shows), Dr. Rose did write a letter to the proprietor of Dodds' Kidney Pills, and that letter was afterwards published in the papers referred to; and as far as his writing of that letter makes him responsible for the publication, just so far is the report of the Committee correct. The evidence of Dr. Rose is that he stated that the Dodds Medicine Co. were not to publish this letter; and the only other evidence that was called is the evidence of Mr. McKee, the proprietor and manager of the Dodds Medicine Co., which company is responsible for these advertisements. Mr. McKee says (you will find it in his evidence; the evidence is properly indexed), and I think that is really the kernel of this charge, that Dr. Rose did come there, and that before giving him this letter Dr. Rose told him he was not to publish it; that after Dr. Rose had told him he would not give any testimonial to be published, Mr. McKee told the doctor to go and consult the Registrar of the College; that Dr. Rose came back and said he had not seen the Registrar, but had consulted a lawyer, Mr. Gallagher, an old friend of his at Portland, who said such a letter as was proposed would not be unprofessional to write; that he then gave the letter, and Mr. McKee says he told the doctor he would publish the letter, and that while the doctor did not consent to it,

he did not, as Mr. McKee believes, refuse to permit it; Mr. McKee leaves it in a somewhat negative shape. On the other hand, Dr. Rose says he persisted in his refusal to permit the letter to be published; and I might mention that there is in evidence a letter which was identified by Mr. McKee as having been written by him in December, 1894, and in this letter Mr. McKee acknowledges the receipt of a letter of December 23rd, 1894 (last December), wherein Dr. Rose has very plainly asked him to withdraw and no longer publish the letter; Dr. Rose was objecting to the publication of that letter; and Mr. McKee notices that and says that there is a certain amount of matter in print, and that he will not publish the letter after what was then in print has been used. I simply call your attention to this as showing that their agreement could not be any agreement about publication. Although the Committee in this has found there was no agreement to publish for value, I would like to press the point that there was no definite agreement in any way that the letter should be published, and that even Mr. McKee's statement goes to show it was left in a non-committal way by Dr. Rose. I do not wish to take up any more time on those two particular points than to press upon your knowledge that the cancer pamphlet was withdrawn as soon as Dr. Rose was told by some person (Dr. Hanna, of Perth) who knew more about professional etiquette than he did that it was unprofessional to do this, and that as soon as he heard that he was willing to listen, and he destroyed the ten thousand pamphlets which he had had printed; and there is absolutely no evidence that any person came to him on account of those pamphlets; and there is his own statement that after the destruction of those pamphlets over two years ago, he never had anything to do with cancer

patients.

On the fourth clause I would refer you to the evidence of Mr. McKee and the evidence of Dr. Rose in connection with the same thing. Dr. Rose's evidence goes to show that he always declined to permit the letter to be published; Mr. McKee says he did decline at first, and afterwards says that when Dr. Rose was told it would be published he did not say yes or no. If it be in order I would like the Council, on behalf of Dr. Rose, to take into consideration the state of Dr. Rose's health. I think the members of the Discipline Committee and other physicians present at Dr. Rose's examination would be willing to admit that Dr. Rose is not only in a very serious state of health at the present moment, but he probably has been for some years; and you all know what effect this has on the giving of evidence generally and on the way in which a man will prepare to meet any charges that may be made against him. It is very doubtful, and in this I am of course simply repeating the words of some members of your own profession, that Dr. Rose will live to see the meeting of your Medical Council next June; and while I know that is not a matter of argument I would like to mention it to you. And there is another thing to be remembered; Dr. Rose has for many years been practising in a country village and has been afflicted with another disease, probably not so fatal as the one I referred to a moment ago, but a disease that afflicts him even now, and perhaps that is why he is not better represented by counsel and evidence; in other words, he is afflicted by the dire disease poverty, which often impels a man to do things he would not desire to do. I know that that is not a matter of argument, but, knowing that it would be substantiated by those who know the matter, I do not hesitate to mention it before your Committee. It is an extremely grave matter for a man after he has got past the middle life and come to a state of health which prevents him taking up another occupation to be confronted with a charge like this, and the consequent forbidding him to practice his profession and find a means of livelihood; and in considering this matter, whatever the Council may do with the report, in the matter of adopting it or otherwise, I would like to press this matter on the attention of the Council; and I would like them to take it into consideration in considering what action they will take in the matter. There is one other thing I wish to speak on, but on which I do not care to touch very much. You will notice that I have already stated that Dr. Rose said that he firmly believed when he published that pamphlet on cancer that the statements made in it were true; I mention that because the second charge reads, "That whereas the said Rose well knew that if such persons really had the disease or ailment mentioned in the said pamphlet the same could not be cured by him in the manner therein set forth." Now, it is somewhat delicate for me to touch on this particular matter here, still I think it is only fair and in justice to the profession, at the same time as I think it is in justice to my client, to touch somewhat on it. I recognize, as every person must recognize who considers the question properly, that it is in the interests of the public that a high standard should be maintained in the medical profession; and it is also recognized that this Council has taken every care that such a high standard should be maintained; and I do not want to say anything here to indicate that such a high standard should not be maintained; or, that it would be any breach of the rights of the public if an effort were made to maintain it. But it will be remembered by a large number of those here that when this Medical Council was first organized the medical profession in Ontario was in an extremely disorganized condition and was represented by many men who would hardly nowadays be considered creditable in the organization of this Medical Council, and in passing

the original Act an arrangement had to be made by which men with very many different grades of qualifications were to be permitted to enter the body and become recognized registered practitioners in the Province of Ontario, and among others were those who held certificates from the Medical Eclectic Board. Now, I presume that I am hardly giving anything away when I state that it could be generally reco nized that the standard of qualification very often required by the Medical Eclectic Board was not quite as high as that required by the College of Physicians and Surgeons nowadays, and, as a consequence, many men under the necessities of the case had to enter the profession in those days who did not have the professional knowledge which is required of medical practitioners to-day. And I think you will agree with me also in this fact, that a man entering, say in 1872, under a certificate of the Medical Eclectic Board with practically only that qualification, did not have the qualifications, and did not have the professional knowledge which a man entered as a graduate of one of our universities, or under the examinations of the College of Physicians and Surgeons to-day would have, and if he did not have it then, how much more would he be apt to get it after practising for twenty-three years in an out-of-the-way country village or series of out-of-the-way country villages? I would just like you to bear that in mind. It is unfortunate, possibly, that there is no special penalty on ignorance, and it is unfortunate possibly also that many men have not the opportunities to gain in profess onal knowlege, and possibly knowledge of professional etiquette that the majority of the members of the profession have, but the fact has to be recognized, and I would like you gentlemen to recognize the fact. Does not the gravament of the charge depend very greatly upon the professional knowledge of the man who is charged, and who by the report of the Committee has been found to have published this pamphlet and who admits he did publish it, and who has written this letter and admits he did write it; and should it not depend very greatly upon the professional knowledge he had, and the opportunities which he had to gain professional knowledge, and to know something of the standard of rules in the profession? I think it says a good deal for Dr. Ross that he, even though he did publish that pamphlet, as soon as his attention was called to it, and after he had gone to the expense of printing 10,000 copies, dropped it and burned the copies; and notwithstanding there has been a fairly keen analysis, and a fairly keen search for evidence in that neighborhood, there has been nothing whatever to contradict his statement that no cancer patients came to him on account of it, and that after the destruction of his pamphlet he did not attend to cancer patients. If he did not attend to them, and if that pamphlet is destroyed, I would ask you, even though it be admitted that the cancer pamphlet was published, to consider those points in his favor, and also ask you whether it would not be fair to treat that as something that was unfortunately done, something that was past, and which should not be visited with a very heavy punishment. The same remarks will apply to his letter which was published in "Press Clippings," and which, as he says, he firmly believed at that time to be true, although he now admits that the statement made there that he had been cured was, unfortunately for him, a further mistake, and that he is now just as ill, and perhaps more ill, than ever he was. I have touched in rather a desultory fashion on the different points I wish to bring to your attention. I have not attempted to search into the evidence; it is there to speak for itself. I would leave the matter for your careful consideration, and ask you to consider whether there are absolutely no pardonable sins in connection with a breach of medical etiquette and in connection with unprofessional work. And just one moment on what now has been said at the end of the report by the Chairman of the Discipline Committee. I was asked fairly, and in a very straightforward and fair way, before I came in, and with most certain knowledge on my part that there was no evidence before the committee that would warrant them in finding the first charge proved, whether I, on behalf of Dr. Rose, would be willing to let the matter stand open and let that first enquiry be gone into, and my answer was the only one I could give, that I could not consent to anything of that kind unless the whole question stood over in the meantime, and that it be definitely understood that practically no action would be taken on this if consent was given on the part of Dr. Rose to going into that further enquiry. It might be very much in the interests of the medical profession in the province to go into that enquiry, but there is no special benefit to Dr. Rose; if it be in the interests of the medical prefession to go into it, then the enquiry will have to stand open; and in the meantime I was asked if I would promise, on behalf of Dr. Rose, that he would not be guilty of any further unprofessional conduct. Of course I said it was utterly impossible to make any personal undertaking that I would have him enter into any pledge, and I am warranted by him in making that statement, for I wrote to him before I came up here and told him that on some of these things I would like to be in a position to speak plainly in the matter, and he wrote to me plainly and freely, and said he would pledge himself in in any way the Council would ask; that he would not in the future do anything of the kind, or commit any breaches of professional etiquette. That is the way in which that statement came to be made. I will leave this whole matter for your careful consideration. The graver charges I submit are not proven. The gravest charges are the first and third,

and they are not proven, and I submit the finding of the Discipline Committee is perfectly right, that their findings that are held to be proven were, I admit, partially proven, that is to say, I admit the publication of the pamphlet and the writing of the letter. I submit further that the other evidence that was given, and the facts that came out, go very largely, or should go very largely, to mitigate any penalty that might otherwise be on Dr. Rose in the matter. I think you, gentlemen, for listening to me, and I trust I have not taken up too much of your time.

The President requested Mr. Lavell to read the letter written by him and referred to

by Dr. Day.

Mr. LAVELL—I made this memorandum, which I handed to the Chairman of the Discipline Committee before coming in. It is as follows: "(1) Consent on behalf of Dr. Rose that if at any time in the future the College or the Discipline Committee thereof desire to proceed further with the enquiry on the first charge, they shall be at liberty to do so, in the same way as if enquiry only adjourned, on two weeks' notice to Dr. Rose. (2) That Dr. Rose in the future will do nothing of an unprofessional nature or character, on the understanding that any order of the Council be in the meantime suspended. (Signed) JOHN R. LAVELL,

Counsel for E. A. Rose.

Mr. McCarthy-Mr. President and members of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, -It would be, as Mr. Lavell has said, impossible to minutely review this evidence in the limited time at our disposal. The evidence covers 150 odd pages of type writing, and the answers to the questions asked are somewhat involved and would require explanation. But my learned friend, Mr. Lavell, has fairly reviewed the evidence from his standpoint: he has made a plea to you, and I think the only plea which it would be possible for him to make on behalf of his client; and that was ignorance, because if ever man was ignorant of what the ethics of his profession required, and still more ignorant of the teachings of his profession, that man I think is Dr. Rose. It came out in evidence, in cross-examination, that he, as you will see on looking at the register, registered under an Eclectic medical certificate of 1868; and he says himself in his evidence, upon examination by Mr. Lavell, that it was obtained in October, 1868. But the affidavit which he swore before His Honor Judge Gowan, in 1872, says that it was obtained on June 17th, 1868. He swore to Mr. Lavell that he obtained his Pennsylvania certificate in the spring of 1868, and he swore before His Honor Judge Gowan in January, 1872, that he obtained it in 1869, and between the time he gave his evidence to Mr. Lavell and the time that I cross-examined him he again changed, and he said he must have been mistaken, that his Pennsylvania certificate must have been obtained in June, 1868, and the Medical Eclectic certificate also in June, 1868, as he had before him at the time he made the affidavit those certificates and diplomas. Is a man who contradicts himself in that way to be believed? You will see he really knows nothing about the matter, or about the day or date on which he obtained his certificate or diploma; and that, I think, in the mind of any man who has obtained either a diploma in medicine or who has been called to the bar, is a red letter day not likely to be forgotten, nor is the year likely to be forgotten. However, that portion of the charge laid against this man has been held by the Committee to be not proven, and I think they could not have found otherwise upon the evidence, although, if you read the evidence you will, I am sure, come to the conclusion that there is something beneath that charge. Dr. Hall, in whose evidence (if you will read it) you will find that he, being an eclectic—and I think he should be called an "electric" because the rapidity with which he obtained certificates and diplomas is unprecedented, in my short experience at all events—got a certificate in Pennsylvania in 1866, another in 1867 and another in New York in 1868. I asked him if he had been attending two colleges, and he told me no, that he got the one in New York as an honorary degree. I asked him why they honored him? He could not tell me that. He, however, told me in the morning when I was examining him that he was a member of the Eclectic Board of Ontario from 1860 to 1868, and had been secretary for two or three years during that time. Now, there are seven years between 1860 and 1868, and in three of those years he got degrees in the states, and three of those years he was secretary of the Board here, not having an eclectic degree, according to his evidence as reported, until 1866; and he states that the Eclectic Board here would not grant an eclectic certificate unless there was a diploma to show that the candidate had had eclectic teachings. Now, there is something, to say the least of it, most suspicious beneath the obtaining of his eclectic degrees, and I think it is to the advantage of the medical profession of this province that that matter should be investigated further and that you should endeavor to find out what these men have been doing in the past. As to the charge in regards to the cancer pamphlet. The pamphlet published by Dr. Rose is here; it guarantees a cure; it states the nature of cancer from his view, and says that certain doctors have said it cannot be cured, but he says that it is utterly untrue, that cancer can be cured. In that pamphlet he guarantees a cure for \$25 or upwards, according to the ability of the patient to pay. Now that, beyond any shadow of doubt, is most unprofessional; and Dr. Rose admitted it was so. We examined the son of one

patient, and two other patients who had been treated by him for cancer. One was William Boulton, whose father had consulted Dr. Rose; and Dr. Rose admits he made the agreement with him that he would cure him-he guaranteed a cure-and that he would charge him \$ 0, and he would not charge him anything if he did not cure

Mr. Lavell—Excuse me, that was before they saw the cancer pamphlet.
Mr. McCarthy—The Boultons did not see the pamphlet until after that, but they consulted Dr. Rose; and he said he would guarantee a cure and would charge them \$50, and if he did not cure he would not charge them anything; he admits that. He got \$93 from the Boultons altogether. The young man came back and said, "My father has died; you made the cancer worse, you didn't cure it, you afterwards told us it was not a cancer but a tumor and you put on a salve; and we paid you more; besides that you didn't cure; now, according to your agreement, I want the \$50 back." Mr. Boulton was told—I was going to say politely, but I cannot say it—to get out of the house. I asked Dr. Rose why he did that, and he said, "Because this man did not obey my orders." I asked him what the orders were, and he said he told him not to work—not to heat his blood. I asked him if it was a cancer that Mr. Boulton had, and he said it was, notwithstanding that he had apparently changed his opinion twice in regard to the matter. Then we examined a Mr. Curry, a rather elderly gentleman, who had been splitting wood and a splinter flew up and cut him beneath the eye. He knew Dr. Rose in early days, some thirty years ago, and he knew Dr. Rose's father, when this present Dr. Rose was a lad of about eighteen years of age, and he remembered then having sent this Dr. Rose to Kingston to get some machinery for him; and at that time, as far as Mr. Curry can remember, this Dr. Rose had no thought of going into medicine. But at the time I have just spoken of he went to call on Dr. Rose, not in a professional way at all; and when Dr. Rose saw this sore on his eye he asked him what it was, and examined it, and told Mr. Curry that he had cancer and that it would be better to have it attended to at once or it might be serious. Dr. Rose had Mr. Curry at his place for I think some ten or twelve days, and he operated, by way of burning this cut, as it had not healed—Mr. Curry says it had not healed because it was itchy and he kept rubbing it; Dr. Rose burned it and took away something from the wound, and it afterwards healed up. Mr. Curry was told by Dr. Rose that he had a cancer; and he was charged \$100, which he paid. Then Dr. Rose was asked what kind of a cancer it was, and he could not say; Dr. Bray pressed him further and asked him to tell us the different kinds of cancer, but he could not do that without his books; he did not know apparently that there were different kinds of cancer, at all events he could not tell anything about the cancer. So that the plea of ignorance on the part of my learned friend is, I say, correctly borne out by the evidence and is the only plea that could be advanced on his behalf. That wound which Mr. Curry had was examined by Dr. Anderson, a qualified practitioner; and Mr. Curry tells us it was pronounced not to be cancer. Then Mrs. Janet Bushfield, a somewhat elderly woman, was examined and treated by him for cancer some three years ago; she stayed at his house and was told she had cancer; and she boarded at his house to be treated for cancer, she also consulted another doctor who told her she was not troubled with cancer at all. So that you will see the conduct of which this practitioner has been guilty. There can be no shadow of doubt that the finding which the Committee have come to in that regard is based upon indisputable evidence which is overpowering, and not contradicted, they could not have done otherwise; and the finding is correct beyond doubt.

Then, as regards the finding in connection with the Dodds Medicine Company, Dr. Rose shows that he was not as ignorant as regards professional ethics as he endeavored on this investigation to make out, because on his way back from the World's Fair, having been told prior to this that his conduct with regard to the cancer pamphlet was unprofessional—that having blown over, nine months having elapsed since he destroyed those pamphlets—he went to the Dodds Medicine Company and handed in the letter which is before the Council, and which the doctors who gave evidence upon the investigation thought was disgraceful and infamous conduct from a professional standpoint; and now he says, by way of shielding himself, that he told this man not to publish it. The argument of my learned friend would be perfectly correct if the facts were as stated by him, that there is simply on this evidence oath against oath, and that there is no corroboration. But the facts are these; he went to the Dodds Medicine Company and he handed them this letter, and says that he told Mr. McKee, the manager of the Company, not to publish it, that he might have it for the purpose of showing it to a few friends. But on cross-examination he admits that he told Mr. McKee it might be unprofessional, and he did not want to give it to him. Then, apparently, he is pressed for the document, Mr. McKee telling him "it is no use to us unless we can publish it." What does Dr. Rose then do? He says, well, in case it might be unprofessional, I will go and consult the Registrar of the Council and a lawyer, and see if I publish that letter which I now show you whether it will be unprofessional or not. During that visit he did go to the Registrar's office, but he didn't see him; Mr. Wasson was there, and there was a conversation between them, but Dr. Rose never saw the Registrar to consult him as to whether this

would be unprofessional or not. He did consult a Mr. Ziba Gallagher, a lawyer in Toronto, who told him that it would not be unprofessional; he then goes back and hands this document to the Dodds Medicine Co. Now, on that alone I submit that any judge or jury would find that that was given for the purpose of publication, in view of the fact that Mr. McKee had told him it was no use to give him the letter unless he had authority to publish it; he goes back and gives Mr. McKee that letter, and that I say is prima facie proof that he intended it for publication. But over and above all that, Mr. McKee swears upon his oath that it was understood between him and Dr. Rose that the letter should be published; and over and above that, he says that Dr. Rose saw him making notes of what he was telling him, that these pills had cured him, that six doctors had given him up, that they were a wonderful discovery and a perfect marvel to the medical profession. Dr. Rose admits he said all that. The evidence in corroboration of what Mr. McKee says is that Mr. Wilton Sherwood, who was examine, said Dr. Rose was telling him about these wonderful pills, and he was going to write a testimonial and send or give it to this company. The charge was made that Dr. Rose had obtained consideration for that letter, but the Committee have found, and I think properly so, that he did not receive consideration for it. But evidently the Medicine Company thought it was a pretty good thing because Mr. McKee-it was like drawing teeth to get the information—told me just at the end of his cross-examination that he had not paid anything for the letter, but I then pressed him, and pressed him again, and finally he said he did not pay him himself but he told his bookkeeper to send Dr. Rose \$25, which Dr. Rose admits having received and which, he says, was on account of postage and for his pains and trouble. Dr. Rose got that money; and the largest number of letters he would mention that he had received was fifty letters, which at three cents a letter would be \$1.50, and he told me he had had letters in which the postage was prepaid, letters that contained a stamp for reply. These letters were written to him asking him in regard to those pills; and he gave a favorable answer and advised the parties all to use them. He got that \$25, it would not be fair to say he got it for that testimonial, because he got it afterwards; we could not ascertain whether he made any arrangement at the time he handed the letter over or not, in fact I think they both swore that no arrangement was made. This is the kind of man we have to deal with; he either is so ignorant, or he wilfully does not care. Ignorance in regard to his profession is established, I think, beyond any shadow of doubt, but whether he is so ignorant of the ethics that apply to the profession or not I leave to be judged from the remarks I have made in regard to his thinking that that letter might not be professional. Then we have a further letter which Dr. Rose writes, or his son writes, under his instructions as he admits—evidently he has taken great interest in this Dodds Medicine Company and their pills—addressed to Dr. L. A. Smith, written on the 16th December, 1893, in which he says, "I can get you a grand testimonial for diabetes. It is a woman that has been afflicted with diabetes for some years. She has doctored with Dr. Yates and Dr. Fenwick, and some three others of Kingston of no use. Six boxes of your pills cured her. She is a tailoress and is widely known with the farming community. Her testimonial will be of great benefit to you. I can get it for \$5 and twelve boxes of pills. If you approve of it make it and send it to me and I will get her to sign it. I am answering many letters for diabetes. (Signed) E. A. Rose." I think from that letter, although it is denied by him, he seems to have had a larger interest or a greater interest in the Dodds Medicine Company than was admitted or proved, but the Medicine Company went back on him, they would not send him the \$5 or the twelve boxes of pills to produce this testimonial, they found out who the lady was and they went.

Mr. LAVELL-Dr. Rose told them who she was. Mr. McCarthy—He told them who she was; and the Medicine Co. went behind his back and got the testimonial. That is the charge in reference to the Medicine Co. and the kidney pills. And the doctors who were examined stated that in their opinion that was conduct of a grossly unprofessional kind, and that it came within the statute. I'have gone very shortly over the evidence, but I think I have shown you conclusively from facts that cannot be and are not denied, and I have only taken the most prominent ones, that the findings of the Discipline Committee in regard to Dr. Rose are perfectly correct. Perhaps it would be wise for the Council to hold over that charge in reference to the Eclectic Board, in order that the Council may have a further investigation, if any further information can be found, because certainly that Eclectic Board did issue certificates in a very rapid way, and certainly the Pennsylvania diplomas were obtained in a very peculiar way. Dr. Rose admitted upon his evidence, after I pressed him for some time, that his father's diploma, upon which his father registered, was obtained in an illegitimate way. I then asked him if he had not a knowledge of how to obtain diplomas in an improper way, but be did not answer me; he simply muttered something, and that was all. We did not get that information until we saw from the production of the diplomas, which he produced after being asked for them, that his father's diploma was obtained from Pennsylvania in 1868, the same year as his. (He swears his diploma was obtained from Pennsylvania in 1868.) If they were both

obtained in 1868 they must have been in college together. But he did not go that far; he said they were not in college together, and that his father's diploma was not a good or valid diploma. All those circumstances do look very suspicious; and I think it would be wise for this Council to consider the advisability of endeavoring to investigate this matter, because the evidence of the Secretary of the Eclectic Board was very unsatisfactory as to where he obtained his "electric" diplomas. No man could have gone to college and got them on his merits within the time stated. Dr. Hall said he did not know whether I would consider it was on his merits, but he got them anyway; he got them in 1866, 1867, and 1868, and I submit that would be impossible if they were properly granted and obtained on the merits. I think the Council would do well to investigate that, particularly as this secretary has retained the stamp and has a number of blank diplomas in his possession, and has been also bee has had since the Board became defunct. Dr. Rose in his examination said he had been with his father, who was not a properly licensed or registered practitioner, from 1868 to 1872 as his travelling agent, and I asked him if he practised and diagnosed cases and prescribed, and he said he did; I then asked him how he could do that if he was not a licensed man, and he said he did it for the benefit of his father; I then asked him what he received for his requirements of the received for his requirements. received for his services, and he said one-third of all the proceeds. That is the kind of man you have to deal with. He practiced for those years with his father, and admits during that period he was not a licensed practitioner. If he did it then, and it is shown he did, it shows that the man was not over particular as to whether he was licensed or not; and it certainly has a bearing upon this matter which any judge or jury would consider, and you gentlemen are the judges and should take it into your consideration in dealing with it. I have gone very quickly and very shortly over the facts; the evidence is very long, but I think I have touched very briefly upon most of the important points in connection with the matter, and I leave it simply in your hands to deal with as you see fit.

The PRESIDENT-Gentlemen of the Council, you have heard the argument for and

against; what shall we do?

Dr. Rosebrugh—Is there anything before the chair? The President—There is nothing before the chair.

Dr. McLaughlin—The report is before us.
The President—There is no motion before the chair.

Dr. Logan-I think it would be better for some other doctors of the Council than those constituting the Committee on Discipline to enunciate the nature of the punishment to be dealt out to Dr. Rose.

Dr. CAMPBELL-I would like to ask a question. In the event of the Council adopting the report of the Committee, and proceeding to act upon it by erasing the name of the offender from the register, what effect will that have upon the first charge which the Committee reports not proven, and which it has een intimated as a matter of wisdom should be

Dr. DAY—I think it closes the case altogether.

Mr. LAVELL-If I might be permitted to say, that consent that I gave leaves it all open in case of suspension of your action.

Dr. Moorhouse moved, seconded by Dr. Henry, that the report be adopted.

Dr. Dickson-Do I understand the recommendations of the report to be that the name of E. A. A. B. Rose be erased from the register?

The PRESIDENT-No.

Dr. DAY-We simply find the different charges proven or not proven. We give no recommendation as to what shall be done with him; we have no right to do that. It is not the function of the Committee to do it. The function of the Committee is simply to investigate and report facts.

Dr. Bray-I think there is a misunderstanding about this, and that a good many of the members think that by the adoption of the report we strike the name from the register. The motion is simply for the adoption of the report coming from the Committee to the Council; and it is for the Council to deal with the report after they have adopted it.

Dr. CAMPBELL—Then we can adopt the report and let the matter rest, if we want to. Dr. HENRY-I thought the adoption of the report was to end discussion?

The President-Yes; if you adopt the report that ends it.

Dr. Bray-After the adoption of the report it is for the Council to say what is to be done on the findings contained in the report. The report should be adopted, and the Council may then if they deem it wise suspend sentence They may let him go, as some others were let go, as long as he behaves himself, with the axe hanging over his head that can be dropped at any time. We have the precedent for this course of action in the case of Nelson Washington, who submitted a letter to the Council which was accepted by the Council, and during the year he transgressed again; and the Council acted on his letter of submission and struck his name off the register. He then appealed against the action of the Council, and the Court sustained the Council; and his name is now stricken off our rolls,

and that act is confirmed by the Court. By adopting this report you are adopting the

findings on which you have to judge afterwards.

Dr. Day—In adopting the report we take very grave chances that we close the investiga-tion. I would therefore suggest that the report be received. That then leaves the discussion open; it leaves the first clause open. I think Mr. Lavell is right in saying, if you adopt the report, it closes the Committee's action in that matter.

Dr. Moorhouse-I withdraw my motion.

Dr. Armour-Might it not shorten matters to move the adoption of the report, stating also in the same motion how we shall dispose of the matter.

Dr. DAY-I have attached Mr. Lavell's letter to the report, so that it becomes really a part of the report.

Dr. Moorhouse moved, seconded by Dr. Henry, that the report of the Committee on Discipline in the case of one E. A. A. B. Rose be received.

Dr. Reddick-I have no particular objection to the motion, but I think the report is already received, if I understand Rule 3 aright. That rule says: "When a committee presents its report, such report shall be received without motion or debate.

The President put the motion, and, on a vote having been taken, declared it carried. Dr. Moorhouse-I move that proceedings at present be suspended in the case of one E. A. A. B. Rose, and the pledges as now offered by his solicitor to the Council be accepted.

Dr. Reddick-I will second that motion.

The President put the motion.

Dr. McLaughlin-Might I suggest that Mr. Lavell should restate his proposition?

Mr. LAVELL—It is that the first charge be open to take evidence at any time. One of the members has asked what guarantee I can give. I can give no guarantee as to unprofessional behavior, except the suspended sentence; and I will use all the power and eloquence I have to tell Dr. Rose what unprofessional conduct is. All I have is Dr. Rose's statement; he authorized me by letter to say this. My idea is that the suspended sentence is the best guarantee.

Dr. Moorhouse—I am sure, on the evidence that has been presented on both sides here and from the reading of that lengthy type-written report of the committee, that the culprit is exceedingly ignorant. I do not think he ever had any education as a medical man at all, and my view of the matter is that this diploma has been bought, that he, as any ignorant ploughman might, bought a diploma such as was lately sold by the notorious Buchanan—Dr. Bray—This is one of the Buchanan diplomas.

Dr. Moorhouse—And he has one of the Buchanan diplomas—

Mr. LAVELL—That is his father's diploma.

Dr. Moorhouse—And also in view of the fact that the man is far advanced in the disease of diabetes, I believe, and is not likely to live many months-

Dr. Rosebrugh—Why does he not take Dodd's Kidney Pills?

Dr. Moorhouse—Notwithstanding his certificate of his being cured by the celebrated Dodd's Kidney Pills, I think, in view of these facts, it would be better for the Council to view his case with leniency and suspend action at the present time. By this means we leave open a portion of his conduct for scrutiny, and new light may be thrown on it, and other offences emanating from the same source be brought to light. If we strike this man's name from the roll we would make a martyr of him, and rouse public sympathy; while at present we have his written pledge, as handed in by his solicitor to you to-day, and read before the Council, as evidence against him.

The President—As Dr. Day says, it is part of the report now.

Dr. Moorhouse-Yes. I think this would be the wise course to follow in view of the

circumstances.

Dr. MOORE-For my own information and the information of the Council I would like to know, in case we do suspend sentence on this man's case, whether we can strike him off at any time hereafter without his again offending? It appears to me, if we suspend sentence he must offend again before we can take further action.

Dr. Moorhouse—I think not.

Dr. Moore—The reason I take exception to this is, I do not think he is a medical man at all. I do not believe he ever was a medical man. I believe he obtained his right to practise by fraud. I believe, as much as I believe anything that I am not positive of, that this man never attended a medical college, and that he knows nothing whatever about medicine, and therefore, when we are erasing his name from the register, we are not erasing the name of a medical practitioner from the register at all. I have had some objections before about striking a man's name off when he was first found guilty, simply for the reason that he was a well-educated fellow. But here is a man who never had a degree or never was a medical man, and who has no rights or claims on us, and who has been a fraud from the time he obtained this degree, and, from his own story, long before it. This man was registered, but, I believe, on his father's diploma; and he tells us in his evidence that his father bought his

diploma. I am anxious that this matter relating to the Medical Eclectic Board should be sifted, because I think that matter is quite as important, and perhaps a good deal more important, to this Council and the profession in the Province. The only reason why I would consent to suspended sentence is, because I think it very necessary to go on and look after this eclectic fraud, or apparent fraud. I am of this opinion because we have in evidence the statement of a man who tells us he has been attending two colleges, one in Philadelphia and one in New York, at the same time. The man I speak of was the strangest man to give evidence that I ever met. He told us in his evidence that he could not even swear what he thought. Now, if it is better to suspend sentence and trust to this man going wrong again, and I think he will, for I do not think he can go right at all hardly, probably you had better suspend sentence, for I think we should get after that seal and after those diplomas that are lying in the hands of a certain gentleman or in the hands, as he told us, of another gentleman. I think it is very necessary that we should get those things; and if Mr. McCarthy tells us we can lop off this man's head at any time hereafter when he offends, without having to go to the expense of a further inquiry, I would say to let him go on suspended sentence.

Dr. Day—We have had that opinion from Mr. Osler already.

Dr. McLaughlin-It is always well to temper justice with mercy, but I think it is a great pity to make a caricature of justice, and it seems to me, if this motion prevails, something of that kind will be done to-day. I would like to see my esteemed friend from London, with his dignified manner, meeting Dr. Rose somewhere and taking him in his arms as a brother in the profession. I have read over this cancer pamphlet of Dr. Rose, and I find it is a wonderful construction from beginning to end, and for the information of some of my friends here who are not very well posted on cancer, I think it is advisable I should read some of the symptoms of cancer as therein stated, because it is sometimes a little difficult—at least I find it difficult—in the early stages to diagnose it: "The only symptoms for months, and in many cases even years, are occasionally a stinging, darting, stabbing, shooting, burning, smarting, itching or creeping sensation, and in some cases not even any of these. If you have a branny, scaly, crusty or warty appearance, with an occasional exfoliation of the same upon the face, lips, nose, or any other portion of the skin, attended with any of the above symptoms, or giving an occasional sensation as though a fly had alighted upon the part, or a hair were tickling it, the evidence should be conclusive that your trouble (Laughter). This document abounds in statements of that kind from beginning to end, and he goes further on to say that cancer may absolutely be cured, and so on. Now, Mr. President, I cannot support the motion that has been made. I think if any case demands action on the part of the Council to clear itself of men who are guilty of unprofessional conduct and who are a disgrace to our profession, this is one of them.

Dr. Britton—The only thing that stands in the way of summarily ordering his name to be erased, is the apparent necessity that has been disclosed during this trial or investigation to determine what has been done with the seal and blank diplomas of the defunct Eclectic Examining Board. Iwould like to know whether or not any steps have been taken in this Council in that direction, and if so, whether or not those steps are likely to be as practical and as likely to lead to a result and to accomplish what we desire as though we were to allow this matter to remain open for further investigation, because further investigation of this matter means a further expense to this Council. One of our most expensive committees is the Discipline Committee. I have the greatest regard for the Discipline Committee, and I think it has accomplished a great deal in the past and will do a great deal in the future and I am satisfied that every cent that has ever been expended in the maintenance of that Committee and the carrying out of the directions given to it has been well expended. I have nothing to say but that which is well and kindly concerning the Discipline Committee, and I have to speak especially of the gentleman who is present with us, Dr. Day, because, as I once said before, he has a temperament and tendency that to a large extent would qualify him for a judge on the bench—(hear, hear)—provided he had the necessary papers from Osgoode Hall. Dr. Day has done his work well, and the Discipline Committee has done its work well, and I want, for one, if possible to avoid further expense in connection with this man Rose, or Dr. Rose, whatever his name may be, and if we can otherwise succeed in getting all the information that we require concerning this defunct Eclectic Examining Board, and without any great expenditure of money, I would then vote for the summary erasure of his name from the register.

Dr. Bray-In answer to a question that Dr. Britton put here, if there had been any steps taken, it was with that view I gave notice of motion to introduce a resolution this afternoon. As a member of the Discipline Committee, I do not intend to express an opinion on this case, as to whether it would be well to strike this man's name off our register. I have my own opinion, but I think it would not be right to express it here.

The President—I do not see why it would not be proper. Dr. Bray is a member of

the Council as well as of the Committee, and every member who has a seat in the Council

has a right to express an opinion.

Dr Bray-I do not think so before the case is disposed of. I think we are still acting in the capacity of judges, and I do not think it would be well to give our opinion until after the case is diposed of; that is the view I have always held, and I have always been very careful never to express any opinion or ask any questions during the investigation except what I considered of vital importance, the same as a judge on the Bench would. I would rather not express an opinion now, although I would like if some member of the Council could express my opinion for me.

Dr. Henry—I have no hesitancy whatever in expressing my opinion. I think that

man's name should be erased from the register. I think last year or the year before we were of a somewhat charitable disposition to an offender, and it was only a few months till he offended again. It is not likely we could get any information from Dr. Rose, although we might from Dr. Hall, and I think we ought to erase this man's name from the register.

Dr. Sangster—I would like to know two things—In the first place, if that man's name

is erased from the register, does it preclude any further steps on the part of this Council to delve into the matter of the Eclectic Board diplomas? It appears to me the Council is still in a position to carry on any enquiries in that direction that they may see fit to make. The other question that I think is important, is to know what the experience of this Council is with regard to other men who have been let off on suspended sentence. Is it the fact that they have ultimately, in almost every case, had to have their names erased from the register, or is it not? If the experience of this Council is to the effect that even after they have allowed a man to go on suspended sentence they have subsequently to erase his name from the register, then I for one am in favor, and strongly in favor, of instant and prompt punishment following on the offence. I think the Discipline Committee, which has done excellent work, weakens its action and weakens the effect of its decisions very much by allowing the delinquents through the country to feel we will undergo the trial, and then some good-natured fellow in the Council will get up and say, "Let him off; he is near death's door and he has a wife and a number of children, or he is lame, or some other paltry excuse of that kind." I say if you find a man guilty of unprofessional conduct, or a disgraceful act, in a professional sense, strike his name from the register at once.

Dr. Britton-Dr. Day, the chairman of the committee, has had a good deal of experience in the past, and therefore I would like to ask a favor of him. I wish to move, in amendment to the motion, that the name of Dr. E. A. A. B. Rose be erased from the register, but I know it is necessary that a motion should be put in a special form, and I would like Dr.

Day to do that for me.

Dr. Bray-I have the special form here which Dr. Day had printed.

Dr. Williams—While Dr. Britton is getting that motion ready I think it would be interesting to the Council if Dr. Day would just state what the facts are with reference to those persons who have been allowed to go on suspended sentence in the past; it would only take about two or three minutes to tell us, and he can tell us how many of those had

to be struck off our register afterwards, and how many are still on the register.

Dr. Day-Speaking from memory I really cannot say, but Dr. Pyne can tell us just how many. The case that gave us the most difficulty was that of Dr. Washington, the first case we had. As the thing was somewhat new at the time, by the advice of our solicitor, we allowed Washington's name to remain on the register, he giving an absolute pledge, with his solicitor joining, that he would not transgress in the future, and that if he did transgress there was to be no more investigation about it, and therefore there would be no extra cost about it. If a man under suspended sentence does transgress you simply strike him off; it is simply a suspended sentence; you do not lose anything by suspending the sentence, and you may gain a great deal. In the Washington case we did gain a great deal; for this reason, that Dr. Washington signed a document that if he did transgress in the future and the Council struck him off, he would consider himself justly erased from the roll and would make no complaint; and when he violated that undertaking again, and we did strike him off, and he went before the Court of Appeal, the Court said, there is your own proposition, that if they let you remain on you would behave yourself; the Council accepted that proposition and let you remain on, and you have violated that, and they have been compelled to strike you off. They at once threw his case out; they said, according to your own agreement you have no right to appeal; that was an agreement something like this that Mr. Lavell puts in to-day that he would in the future comply with the rules of the profession; and when Dr. Washington broke that agreement again the Court at once said, you have certainly now, according to your own proposition, forfeited your position, and we cannot hear you at all, you are not in court.

Dr. SANGSTER-That hardly meets Dr. Williams' questions. What most of us are anxious to know is, are there any cases that have been allowed to go on suspended sentence that have really and definitely and clearly turned over a new leaf in their lives and led clean and reputable professional lives afterwards? I know Dr. McCully was allowed to go

on suspended sentence, but if my recollection serves me right his name was presented to the Discipline Committee last year for advertising, and that was after he was allowed to go on suspended sentence. It is a point in which most of us are interested; these discipline trials cost money, and a very large amount of money, as Dr. Britton has properly said. They may be absolutely necessary for the benefit of the profession, but at least every trial that is held should do the utmost amount of good, as a deterrent, that it possibly can do; and I claim the only way to do that is to let your punishment follow the offences promptly

Dr. Britton-Before proceeding any further I might say I have in my hand the form of motion which is necessary to make for the purpose of erasing the name, and I notice in this form a paragraph which would lead me to think we are somewhat out of order. I may, perhaps, be in error in that respect, but I would ask whether or not the report of the

committee has been adopted, and I will read the paragraph to explain the position.

Dr. Day-Adopting the report makes a finality of the matter, it closes up any further investigation you want to have. The report was not adopted with a view of leaving the first charge open; I think that is the reason why the word "reception," and not "adoption," was used. If you intend to close it up it would be absolutely necessary to adopt it, there is no doubt about that.

The President-I have a motion here by Dr. Moorhouse, seconded by Dr. Reddick. that the proceedings at present be suspended; that is the motion before the Council at the

present time.

Dr. Rogers-I move in amendment, seconded by Dr. Moorhouse, and resolved, that whereas the report of the Discipline Committee in the case of Ezekiel A.A. B. Rose has been received by this Council, and whereas the said committee has found the said Rose has been guilty of certain charges of disgraceful or infamous conduct in a professional respect, and whereas the Council has received the assurance of the legal counsel of the said Rose, pledging that the said Rose will not again offend in any similar manner or in any unprofessional manner, therefore this Council decide to defer action in the matter for the time being, but they may at any future time take action thereon. I am quite as unwilling as any member of this Council to make any effort to shield the guilty, and I do not think it is a good practice to attempt to shield those that will do wrong, such as this man undoubtedly has done, but there is always a legal danger, and you must always remember that point in these cases, and that is, if you erase this man's name and he should go to the courts you have simply the findings by the Discipline Committee, and, while that might be strong enough, there is no evidence which can be produced is as strong as that admission which the counsel of the accused in this case now gives the committee. And, mind you, if you erase his name that very moment the admission of his counsel ceases to be part of your legal affairs on which you can go to the court; you cannot use it, it ceases to be in existence. But if you adopt this motion, we simply defer action; we say this, that at any time you can take action again, and if he offends in any degree unprofessionally, you can simply, on the evidence already taken and on his own admission, erase his name. But it places you in this position, when you have done that, the courts will say, well, Dr. Rose, they found you guilty, you admitted it through your counsel, here is your own admission signed by your counsel, and we cannot hear you at all. Now, that being the case, I think we ought to go first a little slowly, and in this way I believe we can save ourselves, perhaps, from litigation. It may be stated, for instance, that we are acting too leniently in attempting to shield a man who is guilty and who is not a professional man at all, but that has nothing to do with the case; the first charge, that he got his degree wrongly has not been declared proved, and from the fact that he is now registered he stands in the sight of the law equal to any member in this room, as far as registration is concerned. We may believe otherwise, but that being the case, we should take the suggestion of the chairman of the Discipline Committee, that it is wise not to be in a hurry, and to defer action. I believe, too, that this man may not live a year; I know the case; he is a man who used to be formerly in my own division, and a man that is no doubt dying, and in a very short time he will cease to

Dr. Moore-He looks as well as you do.

Dr. Rogers-That is not the evidence given to me. Dr. Bray—He has no more diabetes than I have.

Dr. Rogers—If this man is really sorry for his wrong doing, if he is really repentent, and if he is willing to say I will do better in the future, I think the best thing that this Council can do is to act leniently, and if he breaks out again it gives us fifty times a stronger case to go to the Court of Appeal; for that reason I would urge the Council to consider very seriously the action they take in this matter; and in doing that I do not say my view is infallible, but it is a rule that has been acted on before on the advice of Mr. Osler himself, and the urgent advice of Mr. Osler. Mr. Osler has always urged us to endeavor to get an admission and suspend sentence if we will, and then if the delinquent appeals to the court

Reports of Societies.

THIRD QUARTERLY MEETING OF THE PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

The Board met at the Hotel Quinte, Belleville, at 10 a.m., August 13th. Present: Dr. Macdonald chairman; Dr. Bryce, secretary; Drs. Cassidy, Kitchen and Vaux. The minutes of the two preceding special meetings having been read and adopted, correspondence was read showing what had been done by the officers of the Board in preventing the pollution of the Detroit River at Amherstburg and the Niagara River at Black Rock. The culprits (Americans) had been fined and compelled to give bonds that they would not repeat the offence.

A letter was read from Messrs. Martin & Martin, solicitors, of Hamilton, complaining of a nuisance caused by the excavation of a tunnel along Hunter Street, which was required for the T. H. & B. railway.

A letter was read from Mr. Neelon, Secretary of the L. B. H., Nipissing Junction, requesting the Board to pay a bill for medical attendance to a poor patient who had had typhoid fever.

Correspondence was read from the Secretary of London Township L. B. H., respecting an alleged nuisance caused by a pork-packing establishment. Also from Sault Ste Marie, respecting a nuisance arising from the sewage of the Algonquin Hotel.

A letter was read from Dr. Campbell, of London, enquiring about systems of sewage disposal.

Dr. Bryce then read a report on the nuisance arising from pork-packing in London Township. He considered the reports exaggerated, and stated that the wash water was filtered, and that although the nuisance had not been removed there was much improvement.

SECOND SESSION.

The Board resumed after lunch. Mayor Bailey, of Orangeville, presented plans of the contemplated water supply of that town, and asked permission to go on with the work. The Board approved of the plans and gave the desired permission.

The Secretary of the L.B.H., Meaford, wrote the Board asking for information about water supplies, after the village Water Works had already been put in operation Should the supply prove satisfactory, no adverse action will be taken. Port Hope Water Works scheme still remains unsettled.

A letter was read from a correspondent at Sault Ste Marie respecting the packing of fish called "seconds." The fish, when too soft, were treated with brine and sold as seconds. Referred to the Committee on Foods.

Dr. Bryce then read his quarterly report (see p. 197). The report was adopted.

THIRD SESSION.

The Board met again on the evening of the 14th inst. to consider the disposal of the sewage of Walkerton jail.

The Mayor and town clerk of Walkerton, requested the Board to permit the town to discharge the jail sewage into the Saugeen River without previous filtration. The amount of sewage being small and there being no adverse interests, the required permission was granted. The Board then adjourned.

MEDICAL HEALTH OFFICERS OF ONTARIO.

The Tenth Annual Meeting of the Association of Medical Health Officers of Ontario was held at Belleville on the 14th and 15th of the current month. The attendance was small, which was the more regrettable as Mayor Walmsley and the City Council of Belleville exerted themselves to provide for the entertainment of their visitors, and the quality of several of the papers read merited a larger audience. Hard times, we suppose, may account for the absence of many well-known medical health officers from the Belleville meeting. This, however, will scarcely explain the thin house at the Citizens' meeting, which was held at the Opera House on the evening of the 14th inst. A conversation which we overheard on entering the building may throw some light on the small attendance: First Boy-"What's goin' on in dere, Jim? Is de band goin' to play?" Second Boy-"Naw, Jack, it's only 'em health fellows." We rather opine that unless they are prepared to ride into town on fancy bicycles, preceded by a brass band, the "health fellows" had better avoid Citizens' meetings in future, and confine themselves to strict science.

Educated people who feel a real interest in hygiene can start voluntary sanitary associations in the municipalities, and send delegates to the annual meetings of the Association. Of the nineteen papers on the programme, sixteen were read during the four sessions of the meeting. We shall publish with pleasure some of these papers.

The newly elected officers are: President, Dr. Hall, M.H.O., Chatham; First Vice-Pres., Dr. Sheard, M.H.O., Toronto; Second Vice-Pres., Dr. Hutchinson, M.H.O., London; Sec.-Treas., Dr. Bryce, Sec. P. B. H., Toronto; Council, Dr. Cassidy, P.B.H., Toronto; Dr. Coventry, Windsor; Dr. McCrimmon, M.H.O., Palermo; Dr. Treacy, M.H.O., Belleville; Mr. Bowman, C. E. Berlin. The next annual meeting will probably be held at Windsor, Ont.

CANADIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIA-TION.

The thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Canadian Medical Association will be held in Kingston, Ont., on the 28th, 29th and 30th August next.

From what we have learned of the programme from Dr. Starr, the general secretary, it seems to be certain that the meeting will be an unusually profitable one, so far as professional work is concerned.

Dr. Bayard, the president, is eightyone years of age on the 21st August.

Dr. Edward Farrell, of Halifax, will give the address in, Medicine and Dr. I. H. Cameron, of Toronto, the address in Surgery.

The following papers have been promised:

"Notes on Typhoid Fever in Private Practice," W. S. Muir, Truro, N.S.

"Report of a case of Acromegaly," F. Buller, Montreal.

"A Tumour of the Medulla Oblongata," Dr. Graham, of Toronto.

"What is the best treatment for Retroversion of the Uterus?" A. Lapthorn Smith, Montreal.

"Septic Meningitis and Infective Sinus Thrombosis from Middle Ear Disease," Geo. E. Armstrong, Montreal.

"Report of a Case of Dysmenorrhea," J. C. Campbell, Seaforth.

"Some Practical Notes on Mental Depression," J. V. Anglin, Montreal.

"Objective Noises in the Head," G. Sterling Ryerson, Toronto.

"Final Results of Gastro-enterostomy," Robert C. Kirkpatrick, Montreal.

"The Aperative Treatment of Injuries to the Head," A. J. McCosh, New York.

Papers have also been promised by Drs. T. Wesley Mills, R. F. Ruttan and T. G. Roddick, of Montreal; E. E. King, B. E. McKenzie and A. McPhedran, of Toronto; A. Bertram, Seaforth; Sir James Grant, Ottawa, and others.

There will be a skin clinic held by Drs. Graham, of Toronto, and Shepherd, of Montreal. Dr. Bulkley, of New York, is also expected to be present.

It is expected that the coming meeting will be the largest assemblage of medical men ever held in Canada.

We sincerely hope that the report of the Committee on Interprovincial Registration will be something tangible.

The meetings will be held in the Convocation Hall of Queen's University. Opportunities will be given those desirous of seeing the interior working of the penitentiary and military school. A very pleasant trip through the Thousand Islands will be given visitors on board the palace steamer America.

PROVINCIAL BOARD OF HEALTH.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON EPIDEMICS.

To the Chairman and Members of the Provincial Board of Health of Ontario:

GENTLEMEN, -- I have the honor to report that the public health during the past quarter has been maintained to an unusually high degree. This can, it is believed, be accounted for in a large degree by the dry weather which has prevailed up to the last fortnight. It is certainly in some degree due to the greater care which is being everywhere exercised in the removal of garbage and street refuse. The exception to these favorable conditions have occurred especially in towns and villages having rivers or creeks passing through them, which, being ponded, have during the dry weather created local nuisance and malarial conditions at times, owing to the holding up of water in mill-dams, thereby leaving organic materials exposed to the sun, to undergo decomposition. Such complaints have been received from Odessa, London West, Burlington Beach, Thorold, and other places, the conditions varying as stated in the correspondence herewith presented.

In addition to these sources of insanitary conditions, there has been repeated this summer, in the pollutions of the Detroit River with garbage from that city, and of the Niagara River, with the dredgings from the canals and docks of Buffalo, a class of nuisance the serious character of which needs to be seen to be fully appreciated.

The Detroit Contractor was dump-

ing some 50 tons nightly of the most noisome slaughter-house garbage into the river, dumping on seveal occasions at points from which it floated in shore and above the point of the Amherstburg water intake. Assisted by the Cruiser Petrel, of the Fisheries Protection Service, the local authorities of Amherstburg and Malden succeeded, after a close chase, in catching a tug and scow attached. The trial of the offenders was continued for two days under different indictments, and fines levied, but the offenders failed to respond and served their periods in gaol.

Owing to serious complaints from municipalities along the Niagara River, of the continuance for years of the Buffalo nuisance, I determined, if possible, to make a seizure there, and to this end solicited the services of Captain Dunn, of the Dominion Cruiser Petrel, which he most willingly gave. As absolute secrecy was necessary to insure success, I established communication between the local authorities and Captain Dunn, and we finally succeeded in seizing a tug and two large scows, which we had just witnessed dumping dredgings, to the extent of some 150 tons per scow, into the Niagara at a point just a little below the Buffalo intake pipe.

The seizure naturally excited some attention along the river, since the vessels were valued at some \$12,000.

They were brought to the Canadian shore and tied up, and the men of the tug were imprisoned, no bail being accepted. The owner, having come over to bail them, a charge was at once laid against him for carrying on business, without a license, within the municipality.

The prisoners and owners pleaded guilty to the charges preferred, and the owners gave bonds in Canadian securities that he would not dump further in Canadian waters. Captain Dunn handed the seized vessels over to the Collector of Customs, and they, after a few days, released the prize on payment of costs.

For the time this has stopped the direct pollution of Canadian water in the Niagara; but, it is apparent, with dredgings amounting to 5,000 tons daily into the Niagara River, a part of which is always organic. that a condition of things exists notably along the Niagara which calls for the most serious consideration of the health authorities of the two countries. When it is remembered that the development of electricity is bringing the district, on both sides of the river, into a line of industries, that Tonawanda, Niagara Falls, Suspension Bridge, Lewiston, Chippawa, Niagara Falls village, Niagara Falls town, Queenston and Niagara-on-the-Lake are now, or must within a few years, seek the river for their water supply, it is hardly necessary to say that even a Niagara will not be sufficient to long endure such pollution without affecting the health of these places in the most positive manner. I am collecting data for the discussion of the question in its practical bearings, and hope to have them ready for presentation at the American Public Health Association in Denver in October, and shall endeavor to have a committee of interested States and cities appointed to give practical direction to efforts for removing this most serious sanitary condition.

SMALL-POX.—Although small-pox has continued in some degree in neighboring States and in Detroit, I am yet able to state that no cases have appeared in this province since the change in the officers and constitution of the Detroit Board.

Diphtheria has here and there appeared during the summer, and antitoxine has been called for to some extent, as seen in the following statement:

Since the meeting of the Board on June 4th sixty-nine bottles of diphtheria antitoxine have been bought and fifty-seven sold. The price continues the same, viz., \$2.25 for bottle of 25 c.c.

The activity of the local authorities has seemed, with the favorable weather, to have prevented its serious spread in any municipality.

Having had occasion during the summer to be for a day or so in several of our districts where summer resorts are becoming rapidly developed, and where the old simple conditions are being succeeded by more pretentious hotels, where, in some cases, some 200 guests are provided for, I have found what experience elsewhere testifies to, that the conveniences for water supply, and especially for disposal of sewage, which are being attempted, usually result in defective pipes and water supplies polluted by sewage poured in the lake or stream, often in close proximity.

I would suggest the expediency of having a circular prepared by the Committee of Sewerage, to be sent to the various districts, and that the committee be empowered to take such steps with regard to having these resorts put in such sanitary condition for another season, as the circumstances may dictate.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

P. H. BRYCE, Secretary of Committee. Toronto, August 13th, 1895.

SIMCOE DISTRICT MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The thirteenth regular meeting of the Simcoe District Medical Association was held in Barrie, on Thursday. July 11th. Members present were: Dr. Stephens, of Collingwood; Lehmann and McClinton, of Elmvale; McCullough, of Alliston; West, of Angus; Hyslop, of Hillsdale; Clutton, of Edgar; Evans, of Stroud; Dunn. of Beeton; Stephenson, of Bradford; Little, of Churchill; Howland, of Huntsville; Raikes, of Midland: Hanly, of Waubaushene; J. A. Harvie, of Coldwater; A. E. Ardagh and A. R. Harvie, of Orillia; and Morton, McCarthy, Wells, W. A. Ross, J. A. Ross, Palling, Smith, Wallwin and Arnold, of Barrie. Drs. G. A. Peters and A. Primrose, of Toronto, were also present as guests of the Association.

Dr. McCullough, of Alliston, read a paper on "Sciatica," which showed very careful preparation. For treatment, rest, nerve-twitching by manipulation of the limb, massage, galvanism and general tonics were strongly advocated, while the use of blisters was condemned. Drs. Morton, Stephens and Peters dis-

cussed the paper, the two former strongly recommending the application of blisters in all cases.

Dr. Lehmann, of Elmvale, then read a paper on "Morphæa," and exhibited a patient with this rare skin affection, the disease in this case being of about twenty years standing.

Dr. G. A. Peters read a paper on "Retrograde Catheterization for Impassable Stricture of the Uretha," and showed a case, a boy aged six years, on whom he had recently operated for a very tight posterior urethral stricture, which had existed from infancy. After repeated attempts to pass an instrument, Wheelhouse's operation and then Cox's operation were resorted to, both without success; but finally, after performing supra pubic cystotomy the difficulty was overcome. The result in this case is highly satisfactory.

Dr. Primrose read a very instructive paper on the "Surgical Treatment of Tuberculous Glands."

Dr. Hanly, the district representative to the Ontario Medical Council, gave a brief review of the work done by the Council at its recent session.

After adjourning to luncheon, provided by the Barrie members at the Queen's Hotel, the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, and resulted as follows:—President, Dr. L. G. McCarthy, of Barrie; First Vice-President, Dr. A. R. Harvie, of Orillia; Second Vice-President, Dr. A. T. Little, of Churchill; Third Vice-President, Dr. J. E. Lehmann, of Elmvale; Fourth Vice-President, Dr. J. W. McCullough, of Alliston; Treasurer, Dr. E. D. Morton, of Barrie; Secretary, Dr. Raikes, of Midland, re-elected.

THE HURON MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

The usual quarterly meeting of this Association was held in Seaforth, on the 9th inst., the President, Dr. Smith, of Mitchell, in the chair. There were fourteen members present. A good part of the time was taken up with a discussion on the report of the Tariff Committee. The report, with a few unimportant alterations, was finally adopted. The tariff was ordered to be printed, and a copy to be sent to each medical man in the division. who was expected to signify his approval by a postal card, to be sent to Dr. McKay, Seaforth, secretary of the Association.

The next great item of interest was the report of Dr. Graham, representative to the Medical Council. His report was very full and satisfactory, and his conduct met with the entire approval of his constituents. The Doctor criticised the conduct of the obstructionists, who added so much to the length and consequently to the expense of the Council by their suicidal conduct. Moreover, the language of one of the cranks in question is quoted in the Expositor of Seaforth, by the crank of the Liberal party-the only man in it who voted with the Patrons in favor of the now notorious Medical Bill. One of the members facetiously remarked, that for the crank of the Liberal Party to quote the crank of the Medical Council as being the exponent of that Council-he might as well quote Judas Ischariot as being the exponent of the disciples of our Lord. Both the "Macs" (the political and the

medical) will please appropriate the compliment.

Dr. Stanberry, of Bayfield, presented a case of Locomotor Ataxia, which was examined by the members. An excellent discussion then followed.

In the absence of Dr. Turnbull, Dr. Gunn presented a case of "Lateral Curvature of the Spine" in a child three years old. Under proper treatment it was improving, and was now able to walk.

Report of a case of "Constricted Femoral Hernia," followed by operation for radical cure, with successful results, in the absence of Dr. Campbell, who was confined to his house through sickness, was presented by Dr. Bethune, and as time was short it was received as read. It will be published in full in this journal.

The paper by Dr. Amos, on "Masturbation in Schools," was presented by Dr. Rollins, but, in the absence of the author, was postponed until next meeting.

Dr. Rollins then read a paper on "Old Remedies," which was very interesting, and was followed by a good discussion.

Six o'clock having arrived the meeting now adjourned to meet in Clinton during the first week in October. Thus ended one of the most interesting meetings which the Association has ever held.

Never give stimulants in a case of profuse hæmorrhage (Clinique). The faint feeling or irresistible inclination to lie down is Nature's own method of circumventing the danger, by quieting the circulation and lessening the expulsive force of the heart, thus favoring the formation of a clot at the site of injury.

British Columbia.

Under control of the Medical Council of the Province of British Columbia. Dr. McGuigan, Associate Editor for British Columbia.

A HOME FOR CONSUMPTIVES.

For some months past there has been devoted considerable space in the public press to the discussion of a home in the Dominion for that class of patients known as consumptives, but it has been found difficult to make a selection of a site for its establishment, owing to the varied claims brought forward by particular localities, many of them separated by wide geographical distances and differentiated by such natural distinctions as prairie and mountain country. In a matter of this kind, when the comfort, health and lives of our fellow-creatures are at stake, it devolves upon the members of the medical profession throughout the length and breadth of this Canada of ours to assist the authorities in making a choice of that particular spot, wherever it may be, which offers the best advantages from the point of view of health, irrespective of any local jealousies or commercial considerations. It would certainly be difficult, indeed impossible, to obtain one particular place which would combine in itself all the necessary advantages and qualities suitable to every case of phthisis all the year round. To look for that would be simply to give up the idea of any place whatsoever. There are parts of the interior of British Columbia, very little known abroad, which have acquired reputations for the salubrity of their climate and to which the physicians of the coast are in the habit of

sending patients who have bronchial and lung affections, and after a sojourn for a longer or shorter time, according to the circumstances, are benefited in many instances to a very material extent, and even one might say, cured altogether, so far, at least, as it is possible to detect by mere physical signs. Kamloops is one of these resorts. It is 275 miles from Vancouver, situated on a moderately elevated plateau at the junction of the north and south branches of the Thompson River. The town contains about 1,000 inhabitants, and is the centre of a rich grazing and agricultural country, abounding in beautiful cool streams and small lakes full of mountain trout. Through the kindness of Dr. Lambert, we are enabled to put before our readers this month a description of the climate and other natural features of Kamloops, which cannot fail to be of great interest to them all. It will be perused, we feel certain, with pleasure and profit, and written, as it is, with the conservatism of a scientist, it is unnecessary to say that it may be implicitly relied upon.

TO THE EDITOR:

SIR:—The question of a sanitarium for phthisical patients has been rather prominently before the public lately in the Eastern papers, and Kamloops has been mentioned by many, whose opinion should carry some weight, as a suitable site for such institution.

It may therefore be of interest to lay before your readers an account of the climate of this district, together with any other points bearing on the question.

It is not the intention of the writer

of this artitle to go into the question as to what climate is the most suitable for phthisical patients, or any other questions of a similar nature. It is presumed that your readers are probably better competent to judge such matters than himself. Neither is it intended to put forward an exaggerated claim of the pre-eminence of the climate of his district, it is simply intended to show in what the facts consist, so that those who read them may judge for themselves.

The rainfall is very light, being only 6.7 in. for 1893, and 5 in. for 1894; it is usually experienced only in light showers, a rainy day being a rare exception.

The soil is light sandy loam with a subsoil of porous gravel, allowing easy natural drainage and quick absorption of moisture.

The altitude is about 1,200 feet above sea level. The atmosphere is light, bracing, and of great purity; any small objects being wonderfully distinct at a distance.

The best season is from the beginning of May to the end of October, usually a period of almost uninterrupted sunshine. There is considerable heat in July and August, tempered, however, by cool evenings. This heat, owing to the extreme dryness, is not felt very severely, and cases of sunstroke and heat-apoplexy are unknown. The cold in the winter is not usually very severe. In January, 1894, the lowest recorded was -7, and in the winter of 1894-95, the thermometer only fell once below zero. The winter days are usually clear and bright with brilliant sunshine. The vital statistics taken from the Government

records, show that the town and district are free from typhoid and malaria of a severe type, and the zymotic diseases are almost unknown.

The following statistics will speak for themselves to medical men, and require little comment:

VITAL STATISTICS 1893-1894.

White population, about 1,000. 1893.—Births, 12; deaths—adults, 3; children, o.

1894.—Births, 8; deaths—adults, 4; children, o.

Zymotic Diseases.—Diphtheria, o; small-pcx, o; scarlet fever, I; typhoid, 2 (both imparted cases); measels, o; whooping-cough, o; cholera infantum, o; malignant sore throat, o; erysipelas, o.

These statistics also point to a pure water supply, absence of overcrowding and of extreme poverty; together with open air employment, must also play a part in producing such favorable records, and also must have some bearing on the fact that no cases of phthisis have been known to commence in the neighborhood, and that tubercular meningitis, and kindred diseases of the bones and joints, are conspicuous by their absence; on the other hand, among the Indians and half-breeds such diseases are exceedingly common, so that the agent of infection is certainly present, but the conditions are evidently unfavorable for its development, and under such conditions the white population is enabled to resist its attacks.

In my own practice at Kamloops, I have known many cases in which great benefit has been derived in early tubercular cases by residence

in this neighborhood, and there have been several cases of apparent cure. In fact, it can be confidently stated that there are several residents of the town at the present time whose change of residence to a less suitable climate would doubtless be followed in a short time by recrudescence of the disease. One instance may be quoted, in which, in spite of night work and sedentary occupation, there was gradual improvement in symptoms and weight; two months' residence in winter at the coast was was followed by fresh symptoms and hæmorrhage, and shortly afterwards terminated fatally. Two cases at present under observation may be quoted:

Mrs. C., sputa examined in Ottawa and a diagnosis of phthisis made, and very unfavorable prognosis given; arrived in Kamloops November last; gained at present ten pounds; cough and expectoration ceased.

Mrs. S., arrived in Kamloops, September last, with hæmorrhagic phthisis; gain of eight pounds by February; hæmorrhage has ceased; cough and expectoration much diminished.

It is not by any means claimed that all such cases are benefited by residence here, as unfortunately many arrive when the disease has advanced too far and could not be helped by any climate under the sun, and I have seen others of that rapidly fatal form, sometimes called by the laity "galloping consumption," proceed to a fatal termination as quickly here as in less favorable localities,

The utmost that can be claimed for this, as perhaps, for any climate suited to such cases, is that a certain percentage will derive benefit from it, and if the disease is not too far advanced, will proceed to an apparent and often permanent cure, especially those who still retain sufficient vitality to enable them to seek and enjoy the sport and outdoor pursuits so easily obtained in this country, and who have strength still left to resist those changes of climate which are inevitable to every northern region.

T. W. LAMBERT, M.B., Cantab.

COLLECTIVE INVESTIGATION ON ANÆSTHETICS. — Gurlt, of Berlin, states that the collective investigation has now been going on for five years. This year 52,677 new cases were reported, of which 31,803 were chloroform narcosis, with 23 deaths, and 15,712 were ether narcosis, with 5 deaths. In 2,148 cases narcosis was produced by a mixture of chloroform and ether, in 1,554 by the so-called Billroth mixture, in 1,425 by ethylbromide, and in 34 by pental. The use of ether has much increased. The mortality from chloroform seems to be much greater than that from ether; but very often grave disorders of the respiratory organs, such as pneumonia and bronchitis, result from the inhalation of ether, and death from those complications ought to be regarded as equivalent to death under anæsthetics. Ether was especially harmful after laparotomy. Dr. Schleich, of Berlin, explained this theory of the action of anæsthetics. According to him, they are more dangerous the more their boiling-points differ from the temperature of the body. He has devised an anæsthetic mixture(chloroform and petroleum-ether) whose boiling point is the same as the temperature of the body, and states that he has obtained excellent results, all the disagreeable symptoms (vomiting, etc.) being absent. Dr. Rosenberg, of Berlin, recommended that the mucous membrane of the nose be brushed with a solution of cocaine before the commencement of the narcosis. Dr. Rehn, of Frankfort, gave a warning against the use of chloroform near a gas-light, as ethylenechloride is formed.—Lancet.

DEATHS FROM CYCLING.—In a recent session of the Paris Academy of Medicine, Petit reported three deaths occurring suddenly during the use of the bicycle. The first case was that of a man sixty-five years of age, who had begun to ride four weeks previously. He died in the arms of his teacher as he was about to get off his wheel. The second case was that of a physician, aged forty-eight years, who for the sake of reducing a corpulence which had come on after typhoid fever, took to cycling. Without previously having complained of heart symptoms, he was one day, while on his wheel, suddenly taken with dyspnœa and a severe pain in the heart region. He stopped, sat down on a bench, and died in a few moments. The third case was that of an athlete, aged forty years, who died suddenly on the street while cycling.—Deutsche Med. Woch.

DR. GRAHAM A CANDIDATE.—Dr. J. E. Graham, at the request of a large number of the graduates in medicine of the Universities of Toronto and Victoria, has consented to become a candidate in the coming election for the University Senate.

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"VERBUM SAP."

Envy is the inevitable accompaniment of greatness, and it would seem that such purely philanthropic fields as those of medical journalism were not exempt from the invasions of the green-eyed monster. We have never troubled ourselves with some of our comtemporaries, because they were merely comtemporaries, not competitors, as ours was and is an independent journal, and it is not to be supposed that we would be exactly in harmony with the ideas of a School organ. Our JOURNAL is the official medium of the Medical Council, whose object it is to raise the standard and prevent over-crowding in the profession, and therefore may not harmonize with a journal whose promoters, being School men, depend for their livelihood on entirely opposite conditions.

That our progress and prosperity should arouse jealousy is not to be wondered at. We believe we have the newsiest, brightest and most progressive of all the journals, while we had not the advantage of the age and concomitant fossilization of our contemporaries we felt, nevertheless, that we were walking away from them, so to speak, and as one of these was especially spiteful, it was pleasing to our ear, and music to our soul, to hear "the galled jade wince," as evidenced by an editorial which we noticed in the Canadian Practitioner just as we were going to press—an editorial, so purely personal and full of malice, that we do not propose to ignore it, so we may be pardoned for devoting a little of our time to the Canadian Practitioner and its ramifications. As it suggests that the present end of the DOMINION MEDICAL MONTHLY AND ONTARIO MEDICAL JOURNAL is the waste paper basket, this editorial, "not being much read by the profession," cannot hurt our friends' feelings to any great extent, while it relieves ours.

When an editor, who had already retired from many journals, commenced a new one, we were pleased to note he carefully refrained from attacking our JOURNAL, but there appeared to be a friend on the Practitioner, ready to act as catspaw and chestnut puller in general, and in consequence an editorial appeared in that journal in February, to which we paid no attention, as we had no particular objection to these gentlemen working off their spleen-it did not hurt us, and relieved them, we hope. We have no doubt that these gentlemen would be very pleased to have a post-mortem and inquest on the DOMINION MEDI-CAL MONTHLY; but, as we propose neither to die nor be killed, they will have some difficulty in exchanging work in this connection.

We admit that we have considerable advertising patronage, much more, indeed, than the Practitioner; but just why our combination with the ON-TARIO MEDICAL JOURNAL should make us an advertising sheet, and that because the Practitioner tried to make a combination with the ONTARIO MEDICAL JOURNAL and failed, it should be so superior, we leave it to the astute editor of that iournal to explain. That the Practitioner would like to do something or almost anything is not surprising, because when that journal was in the hands of the assignee we looked into its condition and found that it supposed it had 600 or 700 bona fide

subscribers, and the most valuable asset appeared to be some three or four thousand dollars of unpaid subscriptions, so it would seem to be a subscription journal in name only. At that time we put in a tender of \$250.00, this being a liberal offer for the whole concern; the publisher, however, succeeded in arranging with his creditors and carried on the publication.

There may also be some difference in the conduct of the two journals as regards advertisements. We admit that we do not run the elaborate departments, with brilliant specialists at the head of each, of the *Practitioner*, and that our advertising patronage is greatly in excess of theirs; in fact, all our advertising is confined to our advertisers, while theirs appears to be confined to themselves.

Now, we do not see just what special field the Practitioner fills, but we doubt not that it has its advantages to its editors and their friends, for we find in the report of the Hyams' case, in their columns, that some interesting evidence was possibly over-looked, or may be that it was a typographical error, or it may be that there was no money in it for the defence; however, this did not appear. again, we find its editorial columns, in the August issue, devoted to explaning the position of some of its editors in the James case. In conclusion, we may say that their general information on business matters of ours, as also the negotiations of their own proprietor, appears to be about as accurate as their French. - Verbum Sap.

Book Notice.

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Personal Items.

Dr. Mayberry is down amongst the Thousand Islands.

Dr. Britton, of Isabella Street, is spending his vacation in Brockville.

Dr. Herod, of Guelph, was lately visiting in Toronto, but has returned home.

Dr. Alexander, of the Turkish Baths. Montreal died suddenly on 10th inst.

Dr. W. B. Thistle has returned, after spending a short holiday in Muskoka.

Dr. D. A. Rose has opened an office at the corner of Yonge and Bloor Streets.

Dr. Lafleur has been elected a member of the Association of American Physicians.

Dr. R. and Mrs. Campbell have returned to Guelph, after spending a short time in Toronto.

Dr. Dwyer, Medical Superintendent St. Michael's Hospital, has just recovered from a severe illness. Dr. Burgess, who was taken suddenly ill while holidaying at Owen Sound, is expected home this week.

Dr. Birkett, of Montreal, has been appointed Professor of Laryngology in McGill University, in succession to Dr. Major.

Dr. L. F. Millar, of Brunswick Ave., left a few days ago on an extended trip through Europe. Mrs. Millar accompanies him.

Dr. Adami has been invited to deliver the Middleton Goldsmith Lecture for 1896, before the New York Pathological Society.

Dr. Watson has removed from corner Kensington Avenue and St. Patrick Street to corner McCaul and St. Patrick Streets.

Dr. James Dingnam and wife, of Lynden, Indiana, have been the guests of Mrs. J. Adamson, Yonge Street, and have returned home.

Dr. F. W. Campbell, Dean of the Medical Faculty of Bishop's College, has had the degree of LL.D. conferred on him by that University.

Dr. John Ferguson, of College Street, Toronto, intends to run as Arts candidate at the approaching Senate elections of Toronto University.

The place of the late Prof. Billroth on the editorial board of the Archives F. Klin. Chirurgie has been filled by the appointment of Prof. Gussenbauer.

Dr. F. F. Wesbrook M.D., Winnipeg, has been appointed Demonstrator of Bacteriology at Cambridge University, and is conducting the graduate course in bacteriology there.

Dr. J. L. Russell, of Seaforth, spent a week lately in Toronto. The doctor was here in a professional capacity.

Dr. Boisy, of Havre, is probably the oldest physician in active practice. He has reached the wonderful age of 103 years, and still attends to his daily rounds.

Dr. Wyatt Johnston has been appointed Lecturer in Medico-Legal Pathology in McGill University, and Pathologist to the Montreal General Hospital.

Dr. J. Alex. Hutchison, of Montreal, has been appointed Surgeon to the Montreal General Hospital; Dr. C. F. Martin, Assistant Physician to the Royal Victoria Hospital, and Dr. C. W. Wilson, Assistant Surgeon to the Montreal General Hospital.

Dr. Playter, of Ottawa, intends starting shortly a home for consumptive patients in the Chelsea Mountains, about ten miles from Ottawa, where they will have the advantage of being under the constant supervision of the Doctor, and enjoy the invigorating air of that elevated locality.

The American Public Health Association, which met in Montreal last year, will meet in Denver, Col., on October 1st to 4th. This is the twenty-third annual meeting, and is expected to be a very enthusiastic one. All who can should avail themselves of this opportunity to visit Colorado.

We regret to record the sudden death of Dr. John McConnell, of Dundas Street, Toronto. The doctor was in London, England, as a delegate to the Supreme Court of the I.O.F. at the time of his decease. He was buried with full Forestric honors on the 24th inst.

The Convention of Bacteriologists was held in New York on June 21st and 22nd. This was the first congress devoted to bacteriology alone held in any country. About fifty bacteriologists attended, coming from all parts of Canada and the United States. Among others who read papers were: Dr. Shuttleworth and Mr. J. J. Mackenzie, of Toronto, and Professor Adami and Dr. Wyatt Johnston, of Montreal.

We take pleasure in noting that among the recipients this year of the usual birthday honors is Dr. W. H. Hingston, of Montreal. Dr. Hingston is Surgeon-in-Chief of the Notre Dame Hospital, and Professor of Clinical Surgery in the University of Laval. He also filled for two years the important office of Chief Magistrate of Montreal. Two years ago the doctor was chosen to deliver the address in surgery before the British Medical Association.

Births.

WEIR—On August 9th, at 53 Charles Street, the wife of Dr. T. P. Weir of a daughter.

JONES—On the 1st of August, 1895, at 126 Carlton Street, the wife of D. Ogden Jones, M.D., of a son.

Deaths.

JONES—On the 8th August, 1895, at 126 Carlton Street, Maria Emily, beloved wife of D. Ogden Jones, M.D., only daughter of Edmund Harris, in her 29th year.



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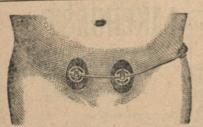
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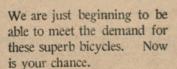
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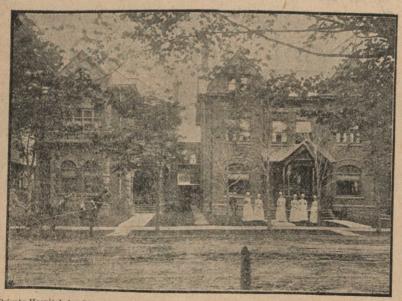
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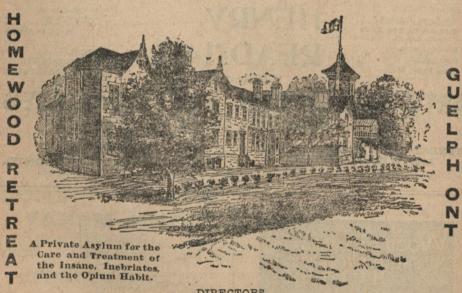
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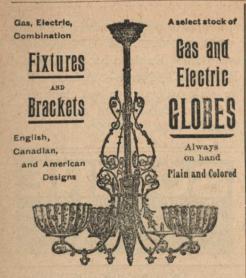
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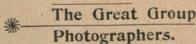
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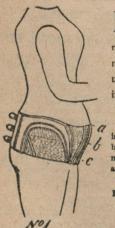
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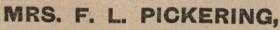
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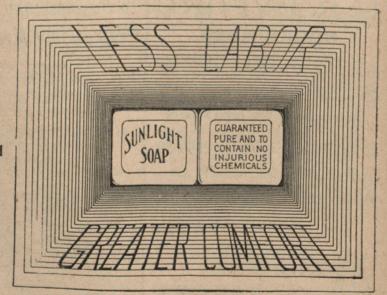
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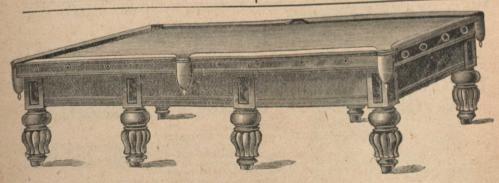
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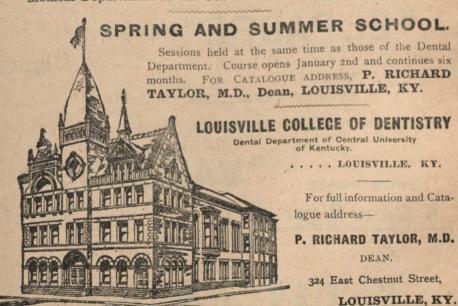
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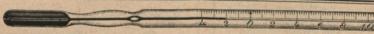
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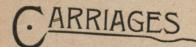
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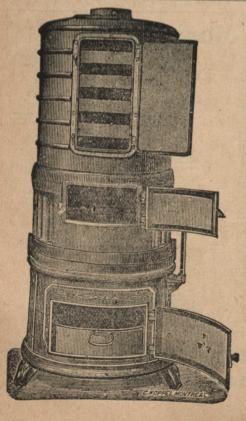
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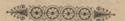
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