

duates to dub themselves Master in Surgery then I shall endeavour to meet its requirements, by styling myself a Master of Surgery as well as of Arts. I may remark that in this country the degree of M. C. is quite distinct from the M. D.

I here take the opportunity of requesting those who give letters of introduction to medical men in London, whose practice is chiefly of a consulting nature, to tell the bearers of the letters *always* to call in the *mornings*, between 10 and 1.

Attention to this will save them much trouble. Indeed persons have called upon me in the afternoon, and have written letters to say how deeply they regretted finding me absent, and have concluded by saying that *if I wished to see them*, their address was so and so!!! If this has happened in my case, so has it in others.

So many McGill graduates have been in London, that I almost forget their names. I have seen Dr. Church, Dr. Pickup, Dr. Bache, Dr. Austin, Dr. de Bonald, and many others.

I intended to say something about the Great Exhibition, but shall reserve it for my next letter; but I will remark that I made some enquiries in relation to the Pneumeter of Dr. de Bonald, and learned that it was carefully and minutely examined by the Jury of the Class to which it belongs, and whilst they acknowledged the ingenuity of the inventor, they could not see its general practicability, and hence no medal was awarded.

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PARIS CORRESPONDENCE.

I mentioned in my preceding letter the curious case of the pupping of two dogs afflicted with Hydrophobia at the Veterinary School of Alfort. After the death of the mothers, which, notwithstanding their malady, had been fostering their little ones with the greatest affection, the puppies were carefully watched, in order to ascertain whether they would be exempt or not from Hydrophobia. All the little ones have since died, one by one, of slight Convulsions, and refusing all nourishment. The question of the possibility of hereditary Hydrophobia, therefore, still remains unanswered.

As doubts may arise in the minds of some of your readers on this subject, I think it right to offer the following explanation:—The puppies certainly refused all nourishment and were slightly attacked with *convulsions*, but it would in my estimation be too much to assert that this last named circumstance was the cause of their death. The question concerning the possible existence of hereditary Hydrophobia is considered to still remain undecided: 1st. Because the mere fact of the little animals refusing nourishment is no conclusive proof of Hydrophobia, the same symptoms being common to many affections. 2nd. Because no mention is made of the existence of other symptoms, such as, for instance, uneasiness at the sight of mirrors or shining objects when submitted to them; and 3rd. Because death is most frequently attended with convulsive motions, while on the other hand even real convulsive fits—in themselves no conclusive proof of Hydrophobia—might in this instance be explained by the circumstance,