

aneurism. He was in his 46th year, and was a great favourite with students of all nationalities. His teaching as a laryngologist was excellent and his classes much sought after. His command of English was remarkable, and conduced greatly to the pleasure and profit of working under him. His loss will be deeply regretted by medical men throughout our continent.

Medical Items.

TAKES HIS OWN MEDICINE.—"The physician," says a ribald contemporary, "is the man who prescribes change, and then takes all you have."

AN ALARM BOTTLE FOR POISONS.—A Canadian named Trotter has invented a simple and ingenious device to be attached to all bottles containing poisons. It consists of a mechanism fastened to the bottom of the bottle, and so arranged that every time the bottle is lifted or moved it rings the bell. With a death's head for the eye, and a kind of death rattle for the ear, accidents ought to be avoided.

WOMEN MEDICAL STUDENTS.—The Faculty of the Columbian University in Washington have withdrawn the privileges which they have previously offered to women in the medical department. The reason assigned is that the presence of women as students kept men away, and they had no desire to become a female seminary, and that the teaching of men and women together is demoralizing to both.—*Boston Med. and Surg. Jour.*, Oct. 20, 1892.

WHAT IS IT THAT PULLS A PERSON DOWN.—It is not natural and reasonable intellectual work that injures the brain, but emotional excitement. Most men can stand the severest thought and study of which their brains are capable and be none the worse for it, for neither thought nor study interferes with the recuperative influence of sleep. It is ambition, anxiety and disappointment, the hopes and fears, the loves and hates of our lives that wear out our nervous system and endanger the balance