

## A MAGNIFICENT DONATION.

Sir Donald Smith and Sir George Stephen have notified the Mayor of Montreal of their intention to contribute the sum of one million dollars to build, equip, and endow a General Hospital in this city, to be known, in commemoration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, as "The Royal Victoria Hospital." This magnificent donation is accompanied by a request that the city should contribute the land on which to erect the building, and the donors asked for a site on the side of the Mountain, next to the residence of Sir Hugh Allan. This has been granted and perpetually leased to the hospital at one dollar a year rental. The charter has since been obtained from the Dominion Legislature and the money has been deposited in the Bank of Montreal. Such a noble donation made in the life time of the benefactors, cannot be too highly appreciated, and we trust that these two noble hearted Scotchmen will live many years to realise the benefit which their liberality is bestowing on suffering humanity. We have not yet seen the charter, but trust its terms place its management upon a broad and liberal basis.

## PERSONAL.

The many friends of Dr. Robert Howard, of St. Johns, Q., will be glad to hear that he is now able to get about slowly, with the aid of crutches. His eye sight, however, continues poor. His progress so far has been a surprise to many of his medical friends, when the serious character of his disease is remembered. They are now hopeful of a still further improvement—though it may be slow.

Dr. Kerr of Winnipeg has gone to England on a brief trip.

Dr. Guerin of Montreal has returned from Paris.

Dr. Grasett has been appointed to the chair of surgery in Trinity Medical College, Toronto, rendered vacant by the death of Dr. Fulton. Dr. Covernton, sr., takes medical jurisprudence, and Dr. Covernton, jr., sanitary science.

Dr. F. W. Campbell, has been appointed Medical Referee for the Dominion of Canada for the New York Life Insurance Company. In this capacity he has entire charge of all Medical matters pertaining to the Company. This appointment is entirely distinct from the position of Medical Examiner for the Company in Montreal, which he has held for the last nineteen years.

Dr. Birkett (M.D. McGill College, 1886) has been nominated Assistant Surgeon of the Victoria Rifles of Canada, (Montreal).

Dr. Corson (M.D. McGill 1885) has been appointed Surgeon, and Dr. Rollo Campbell, (M.D. Bishops', 1887) Assistant Surgeon of the Royal Scots of Montreal.

Dr. Weir Mitchell of Philadelphia is on the Restigouche River, salmon fishing, as is also Dr. Frank Thompson of Philadelphia. Dr. F. W. Campbell of Montreal is also engaged at the same sport on the same river.

Dr. Paré of Lachine has been appointed an Assistant Surgeon in the North West Mounted Police. The appointment is a good one.

Dr. R. Palmer Howard of Montreal is fishing on the Little Cascapedia.

Dr. A. L. Smith, Professor of Medical Jurisprudence, University of Bishop's College, returned from Europe by the *SS. Lake Ontario* which arrived here on June 22nd.

Dr. James Stewart has been appointed assistant physician to the Montreal General Hospital, *vice* Dr. J. C. Cameron, appointed consulting physician.

Dr. Wolfred Nelson (M.D., Bishops' College and McGill College, 1872), Foreign Medical Inspector for the New York Life Insurance Company, sailed a few days ago for Europe on Company business. He will be absent several months, and his time will be passed entirely on the continent.

Dr. T. J. Alloway has been appointed assistant surgeon of the Montreal General Hospital *vice* Dr. Girdwood, appointed consulting surgeon.

Dr. R. A. Kennedy, Registrar of the University of Bishop's College and one of the Editors of this journal, has returned from Colorado where he had been spending a few weeks for the benefit of his health, which we are glad to say is greatly improved.

## REVIEWS.

"Which? or Between Two Women," in press for immediate publication by T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia, is the latest and most powerful novel from the pen of the celebrated French novelist, Ernest Daudet. It is fully worthy of its famous author's great reputation, and is one of the strongest and best love romances ever issued from the press. The action is brisk and spirited, while the interest is of the most absorbing kind.