

Medical Items.

—Dr. Frank Ferguson, Pathologist to the New York Hospital, has been elected Professor of Pathology in the New York Post-Graduate Medical School and Hospital.

—The physicians of the State of Mississippi are, it is said, endeavoring to pass a bill through the legislature exempting them from personal taxes.

—The epidemic of influenza has had a marked effect on the consumption of beer in Germany. In Munich the daily consumption is 30,000 gallons less.

—One of the attending physicians on the late King of Portugal has sent in a bill for \$14,000 for ten visits. Another has asked \$30,000 as a solace for having visited his king eighteen times.

—After many years of weary waiting, the promoters of the B.A. Bill have succeeded in getting this measure finally passed. That such a measure should find any opposition is, to intelligent people, surprising.

—Professor Rosenthal, Lecturer on Diseases of the Nervous System in the University of Vienna, is dead. He is the author of a valuable work on "Diseases of the Nervous System," an English translation of which appeared a few years ago.

—The following resolution was passed unanimously at the last meeting of the Ottawa Medico-Chirurgical Society, held on Friday, Jan. 24th :—

Moved by Dr. Small, seconded by Dr. S. Wright, "That whereas Dr. Roome, M.P., at the last session of the Dominion Parliament, moved 'that in the opinion of this House the time has come when the Federal Government should establish a Central Department of Health, with a responsible head or deputy head, for the purpose of perfecting the collection of vital statistics, educating the public in health matters, and preventing the spread of disease'; and whereas he is prepared and