

Personal.

Dr. J. S. Draper, of Tilsonburg, was married to Miss Wright, of Toronto, July 30th.

Dr. J. F. Bell, Toronto, has received the L.R.C.P. of London.

Dr. H. Wilberforce Aikins, B.A., has been admitted a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England.

Dr. J. S. Gray has removed from Winnipeg to Mount Forest.

Drs. J. E. Graham and McFarlane sailed from Liverpool on the 21st of August.

Dr. W. E. Macklin (T. S. M., '80), who has practised successfully at Poplar Hill for the past four years and endeared himself to very many there, was recently presented with a gold watch and chain on the eve of his departure for Japan, where he has accepted a position as medical officer, working in conjunction with a band of missionaries there. Dr. M. purposes taking a post-graduate course at New York, and also spending some time at the hospitals of Great Britain and probably Vienna, prior to proceeding to Japan.

It is expected that Dr. Osler, of Montreal, will be elected to the Chair of Clinical Medicine in the University of Pennsylvania, which for the last eleven years has been held by Professor Pepper. If he accept this position he will shortly remove to Philadelphia. We regret exceedingly the prospect of losing Dr. Osler, as far as Canada is concerned, but in any case, we unite with his many friends in wishing him the highest success wherever he may be in future years. We have also to congratulate our distinguished friend on the fact that he has been invited to deliver the Gulstonian Lectures next spring before the Royal College of Physicians, London.

Dr. Heywood Smith, who took a prominent part in the discussions at the Montreal meeting, is the most prominent surgeon in the Hospital for Diseases of Women, Soho Square, London.

Dr. Bray, of Chatham, will be a candidate for re-election for the Western and St. Clair Division in the Ontario Medical Council. We are pleased to learn that he is not likely to have any opposition.

Dr. Burns, of Toronto, will be a candidate for re-election in the Midland and York Division; and, as he has proved a faithful and worthy representative, we hope there will be no opposition.

Mr. Lawson Tait, Drs. Protheroe Smith, Heywood Smith, and many other medical members of the British Science Association, will be in Toronto the first week of September.

Miscellaneous.

THE latest count found 3,353 patients in the hospitals of Vienna

THE average duration of life in Russia is put down at 26 years.

It has been decided by the Criminal Courts of Berlin, that when labour begins the fetus becomes legally a human being.

THE death of Professor V. Jäger, of the Vienna University, is announced. The following are named among the candidates for the position thus rendered vacant—Bettelheim, Englisch, Oser, Ultzmann, Urbantschitsch.

INSANITY OF MENSTRUATION.—Dr. Régis (*Journal de Médecine de Bordeaux*), says that the mental state of females is, as a rule, more or less affected during menstruation. Bertheer was of opinion that psychoses of menstrual origin were in many cases closely allied to the transitory insanities; they as a rule were short attacks of mania or melancholia. When, however, the affection was due to interference with the proper performance of menstruation, then the affection lasted longer. As a rule acute mania is the most common type presented, but an acute hallucinatory psychosis is far from infrequent. Nymphomania, kleptomania, homicidal impulses, incendiary impulses, dipsomania and suicidal impulses are often the chief psychical symptoms of the insanity of menstruation properly so called. In the great majority of cases, the appearance of the menstrual flow is an evidence and consequence of intellectual improvement. In a few cases it is the cause.—*Alienist and Neurologist*.