

Medical Items.

THE staff of the *Dominion Medical Monthly* has lately undergone a radical change. Drs. W. H. B. Aikin, A. B. Atherton, J. H. Burns, John Ferguson, G. S. Ryerson, and A. A. Macdonald have severed their connection with that journal.

THE wife of Dr. T. H. Halsted (Tor., '81), Syracuse, New York State, died November 14.

DRS. R. A. STEVENSON, W. P. Caven, and James F. W. Ross, of Toronto, returned from England last month.

DR. MCKECHNIE, the partner of Dr. Hall, in Victoria, recently returned from Philadelphia, where he spent a few months in studying abdominal surgery with Dr. Joseph Price.

DR. ERNEST HALL, of Victoria, B.C., passed through Toronto a few days ago on his way to Europe. He expects to spend a few months in Berlin, Vienna, and London, "walking" the hospitals.

DR. VERNON ST. CLAIR HALLIDAY, a promising young physician, died from diphtheria at the Willard Parker Hospital, New York city, November 26th, at the age of 25 years. He graduated at McGill University, Montreal, in 1892. He was the eldest son of Dr. James T. Halliday, of Peterboro.

DR. WILLIAM HOPE, of Belleville, died at his home, November 28th, at the age of 80. He took the degree of M.D. from the University of New York in 1838, and became a licentiate of the old Medical Board in the same year. He was sheriff of the county of Hastings for many years before his death.

PHYSICIANS LIVING IN CHICAGO.—It is estimated that there are about 3,400 physicians within the corporate city limits of Chicago, embracing a territory of 186½ square miles, and a population in round numbers of 1,625,000 inhabitants.—*Journal of the American Medical Association.*

THE SCARCITY OF PATIENTS.—There may be some comfort to the many physicians who have felt the long-continued "dullness" in their practice in learning that it is not a local stagnation, but that the same conditions are being felt in other parts of the world. English medical journals speak of the "marvellous health of the country," and the large number of physicians who have attended the many congresses without being missed, so few are the