

## CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

The candidates for degrees were now called up, and the Chancellor, after reciting the usual Latin form, handed The University parchment in a tin case to each of the lucky men.

## PRIZES AND HONOURS.

The presentation of prizes and honourable mention certificates now took place. Dr. Chandler, the Wood gold medalist, on being called up, was greeted with wild applause, as was also his rival for the prize, Dr. Foley. Both are very youthful in appearance, and in the examination were very close, out of 5,000 marks only fifteen marks separated them on the final.

Bishop Bond and Vice-Chancellor addressed the Convocation, and thus terminated the most successful Convocation this young Faculty has yet had.

## PERSONAL ITEMS.

Sir Thomas Watson, Bart., M.D., celebrated the eighty-eighth anniversary of his birth in London on the 7th of March.

Dr. Wilks, of Guy's Hospital, has been appointed physician to the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, in succession to Dr. Murchison, deceased.

## REVIEWS.

*The Hypodermic Injection of Morphine, its History, Advantages and Dangers, based on the experience of three hundred and sixty Physicians.* By H. H. KANE, M.D. New York, Charles L. Bermingham & Co.

This work of between 300 and 400 pages is the result of the replies to six questions, propounded some year or so ago by Dr. Kane of New York, and published by nearly every medical journal in the United States, Canada, and also in Great Britain. These answers have enabled Dr. Kane to construct a work of rare interest and importance, and as it may be well said that no physician has his armamentarium complete without a hypodermic syringe, so, with equal truth may we now add, no one who uses this syringe can afford not to be possessed of Dr. Kane's work. So common in use has this little pain destroyer become that it is resorted to, we might with truth say, without

fear, and with often but little thought of the difficulties which may follow. That all is plain sailing, this book shows us, is not always the case. A perusal of it will we believe instil an amount of caution into those who employ it, and this can but be productive of good. We are glad to notice Dr. Kane writes strongly against entrusting the hypodermic syringe, for use, into the hands of any but medical men. We know of cases where it (on the advice of the medical attendant) forms a portion of the family medicine chest. This should not be.

*Sore Throat, its Nature, Varieties and Treatment, including the Connection between Affections of the Throat and other Diseases.* By PROSER JAMES, M.D., Physician to the Hospital for Diseases of the Throat and Chest. Fourth Edition, illustrated with hand-colored Plates. Philadelphia, Lindsay & Blakiston, 1880. Montreal, Dawson Brothers.

This is a very popular work among British Practitioners, as is evidenced by the fact that the third edition was exhausted within three months of its appearance. The fourth edition, which is the one now before us, has received very careful revision at the hands of Dr. James, who is regarded throughout Britain as a most enthusiastic worker, and (what is even still better) careful observer in this specialty. As might therefore be expected, this work is one of very considerable merit, dealing with the various varieties of sore throat in a practical manner. It is not intended to be an exhaustive work, but as a fair-sized treatise it would in our opinion be very hard to surpass it. We have, however, to say that the illustrations are in our opinion not quite up to the mark.

*Headaches, their Nature, Causes and Treatment.* By WILLIAM HENRY DAY, M.D., M.R.C.P.L., Physician to the Samaritan Hospital for Women and Children. Third Edition with Illustrations. Philadelphia, Lindsay & Blakiston, 1880. Montreal, Dawson Brothers.

This little volume appeals at once to our sympathies, and entices to a perusal from its very title. Of all the common ills to which flesh is heir, headache is indeed a common one. Hardly a day passes in the practice of those who receive even fair encouragement from the public without this *symptomatic* disease claiming a share of attention. Its weariness is exhaust-