

Medical Items.

—T. Johnson Alloway, M.D., has been appointed Assistant Surgeon of the Montreal General Hospital, vice Dr. Girdwood, appointed Consulting Surgeon.

—Dr. James Stewart has been appointed Assistant Physician of the Montreal General Hospital, vice Dr. J. C. Cameron, appointed Consulting Physician.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF CANADA.—The following are the officers of the Royal Society for the current year:—President, Dr. Lawson, Professor of Botany, Dalhousie College, N.S. Vice-President, Sandford Fleming. Secretary, Dr. J. G. Bourinot. Treasurer, Dr. J. A. Grant.

—Dr. D. C. Lane reports a case in which a patient shot the doctor who castrated him. Yet the operation was done for incurable disease of the testes, and with the full consent of the patient and his friends. Dangerous operation to the operator.

—As a rule, the doctors who, as a class, have the largest balance of net financial gain at the end of each year are country doctors. Nearly all city doctors who become rich do so by fortunate investments in real estate or some business enterprise outside of their profession.

—The Lewiston journals say that a man blew up a doctor's office with dynamite because the latter was out of town when the man's child was sick. It was claimed that had the doctor been at home the child would not have died. The man got a sentence of twenty years free service of the State of Maine.

—The *Alienist* suggests that to prevent quarrels in the profession, the students should be kept long enough in medical college to learn professional etiquette. Then when men are properly educated quarrels will be distasteful, for the reason that they waste time desired for medical study and advancement.