He was for some time Mr. Nettleship's assistant in the Ophthalmic Department of St. Thomas' Hospital, and we are glad to see that he has been doing good work in this line. The report of this department in the St. Thomas' Hospital Reports is from his pen, and at the meeting of the Ophthalmological Society of Great Britain, on the 14th ult., he read a paper on "Central Amblyopia in Diabetes," and exhibited sections of the optic nerve from a similar case.

## Medical Items.

- —We understand that Mr. Dyer, of the Branch of the Medical Hall on Phillip's Square, has recently assumed the entire ownership of that well-known establishment, which he has so long and successfully managed.
- —Dr. Thomas Payne died in Huron County on the 2nd inst. He was Registrar of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario from 1872 to 1880, and was succeeded by his son, Dr. R. A. Payne, the present Registrar.
- —The death of Von Bischoff removes one of the last of the older anatomists and physiologists of Germany. He was best known as the author of an important work on "The Development of Mammals." He held chairs successively in Bonn, Heidelberg, Giessen, and Munich, and died in the latter place on the 5th of December, aged 76.
- —Duncan McGregor, M.D. (McGill, '61), died in Winnipeg on the 3rd inst., after a short illness. For many years he practised with great success in Chatsworth, Ont., and only removed to Manitoba in the spring of last year. He was a jovial, kind-hearted man, and very popular with his patients and professional brethren. He was a native of Glengary, and studied medicine at McGill, where he graduated in 1861.
- —Professor Burdon-Sanderson has been elected to the Waynflette Chair of Physiology at Oxford. This will be a serious loss to London, and particularly to University College, the scene of his labors for the past ten years, and where he has done so much to advance the teaching of Physiology. Fortunately for the school which he has left, there is a man on the spot worthy to be his successor—Mr. E. A. Schäfer, F.R.S., the Assistant Professor, one of the few men in England who has devoted himself exclusively to Physiology. A favorite pupil of Sharpey's, an able and original investigator, a trained and successful teacher, his appointment to the vacant chair will be hailed with satisfaction by all old University College men and the profession at large.