

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, ENGLAND.

We record with pleasure that R. F. Godfrey, M.D., Bishop's College, Montreal, and R. A. Stevenson, M.D., McGill University, passed the necessary examinations for the diploma, and were admitted members of the Royal College of Surgeons of England on the 22nd of July last. Dr. Godfrey is the eldest son of our esteemed fellow citizen Robert Godfrey, M.D., Professor of Hygiene, McGill University, who is at present travelling in Europe with his family.

A REMARKABLE CASE OF WORMS.

(From the White Cloud Chief.)

An old man named Christel Poff, of German descent, living in Missouri, in the locality known as "Cracker's Neck," has been for years afflicted with a disease, which took the form of inordinate thirst, that water would not allay. He grew worse from year to year, until finally he became partially insane, and imagined that all manner of reptiles were after him. About this time a celebrated physician of the Uroscopian school happened in the neighbourhood, and was called in to examine the case. Having applied the tests used in his practice, he pronounced it a chronic case of worms, and immediately set to work to compound a remedy from well known vegetable medicines. The mixture was composed of equal parts of castor oil wormwood, tansy, rue and assafoetida. After administering repeated doses of this compound, he finally succeeded in starting the patient to vomiting, when the whole cause of his disorder came to light. He threw up ten fish worms, three lamprey eels, seven crawfish, one mud turtle, five lizards, two tree frogs, one bull snake, a section of a snake fence, and the worm of a copper still containing sixteen coils. He at once complained of being better, and has steadily improved ever since.

He has no idea how or when these things got into his stomach, but remembers having taken a drink of water when a boy, which act was performed by lying on his stomach.