

to be a prominent symptom in most diseases. Chills, in some form, will prevail. Typhoids will be frequent, and meningitis will probably continue to prevail all through the season. Atmospheric influences will have a decided effect upon the forms of diseases and their particular phases. An innervated (*sic*) condition of nerve force may be expected. Hence debility, muscular weakness and paralysis will result. Electricity, properly administered, will be one of our most efficient remedies this season. Aconite will be *the* sedative, and quinine will be largely in demand." Now the wise physician, in the parts thus blest with a seer, will be able to lay in a stock of aconite and quinine, and feel that, with their assistance, he will surely garner in his share of that "abundant harvest" with which a benevolent Providence is about to bless (?) the land.

Medical Items.

PERSONAL.—Richard N. Mattice (M.D., McGill,) passed the examination for Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, London, on April 28th.—Chas. DeWolf Heard (M.D., McGill,) and E. J. Rogers (M.D., McGill,) have recently passed the examinations for L.R.C.P. & S., Edin.

THE INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CONGRESS.—It is anticipated that not less than 2000 foreign medical practitioners will visit London next August, on the occasion of the International Medical Congress to be held in the early part of that month. It is almost certain that in point of attendance, variety of attraction and extent of opportunities for observation, the London Congress will far surpass any of its predecessors. By the change in the Presidency of the College of Physicians, Sir W. Jenner becomes *ex officio* Chairman of the General Committee of the Congress, a post the duties of which have up to the present time been discharged by the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Sir Ridson Bennett, M.D.

BREAD EARNED BY SWEAT.—A curious industry existed in Rome, which is worthy of mention. The gladiators were accustomed to rub their limbs with olive oil in order to make their