

refer in our next number to the progress which the organizers of this colossal undertaking are making, but in the meantime we trust that a large number of Canadian practitioners will make arrangements to be present.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

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OPERATORS.

While in Chicago I was fortunate enough to see Dr. Etheridge operate. He undoubtedly is a clever man and a successful and dexterous operator, yet the onlooker cannot help but realize the effort that he puts forth. I saw him perform an abdominal hysterectomy: prognosis good and the result recovery.

Dr. Senn is also a clever operator, but not any better than Roddick, or Bell, and not as nice or as graceful as Dr. Hingston.

Dr. Shepherd is well known in this part of the country by reputation.

In New York I saw Drs. Wyeth and Munde operate at the Mt. Sinai Hospital.

Dr. Wyeth is a very neat operator, extremely cool and collected, operates without any exertion or fussiness, and works very fast—a fact which suddenly dawns upon the observer. He showed me a mass of worms, weighing about 4 oz., which he removed from the small intestine of a man about 25 years of age. The patient was suffering from obstruction. Laparotomy was resorted to, and the above condition found and remedied. I saw the patient convalescent. Dr. Wyeth is himself going to report the case, so I cannot give any details.

Dr. Munde is a very nice operator, thoughtful and cool. I saw a specimen which he exhibited to several bystanders of a uterus weighing perhaps 12 or 15 oz., with a fungus-looking mass projecting from the endometrium. It had been removed per vaginam, the perineum having to be slit to the coccyx in order to allow the mass to pass. The patient left his private hospital in three weeks cured.

The pathologists pronounced the mass in the interior of the uterus the most malignant form of cancer.

BELLEVUE.

Bellevue Hospital interested me very much. The place itself is rather a rickety structure and, I should judge, a very unsanitary place, but they do great work there, and do it well. Their internes serve two years, and it is only in the last six months of their *servitude* that they attain the distinction of *House Surgeon*; he is

then master of the situation in the absence of the visiting surgeon.

I might say that I saw a man there with his *face broken*. His face had been kicked in by a stallion. He received a compound fracture of the inferior maxilla, a fracture of the superior maxilla and the nasal bones. Although somewhat disfigured he is still in the ring. He is a prize fighter.

COLUMBIA SCHOOL.

I was much impressed with the appurtenances of the Columbia School of Medicine—College of Physicians and Surgeons. It is a grand institution, and gives a fine education. Her men as a teaching body are second to none, and the accommodation for the students is superb. The Medical School of Pennsylvania University is excellent, ahead of even Columbia in point of curriculum, but Columbia will outstrip her just as soon as she adopts the four years course.

Jefferson is not what it used to be; though having an excellent teaching staff, and giving a good education, she sorely realizes the loss of the Grosses and Pancoasts, of Barthallow and DaCosta.

I went up before Jefferson to have my certificate endorsed. I was examined in Therapeutics which included Toxicology and Materia Medica, also in Practice of Surgery, Obstetrics and Gynecology. It was too bad that I did not read Parvin on Obstetrics, as I could then probably have given him the pet theories he desired so much. Prof. Wilson said that Dean Campbell deserves credit for having given me such a good training in practice. He pulled me over every system in the body without any exception. It was my pleasure to call on the professors to be examined, and sometimes had to call 3 or 4 times before I found them home.

Jefferson Medical College is a Stock Company, and no man can obtain a professorship unless he holds stock in the institution.

The professors reap a fat harvest, in my opinion. I was unfortunate in not having had the time to see any men operate in Philadelphia, but the opinion is wide that Prof. Keene is the crack surgeon of the State, that Price is the leading gynecologist, and that *Pepper was jealous of Osler*.

I have located in Nanticoke, which lies about seven miles south of Wilkesbære. It is perhaps the busiest part of the coal regions. (Nothing else but coal.) Accidents are of daily occurrence, and a man's surgical capacity is at times severely tested.

I find a Dr. Evans here of about 20 or 25 years' experience, a first-rate fellow. He does me the honor of calling me into consultation in any of the severe or not severe smash-ups, and throws a dollar in my way when it is possible. For the other physicians here, I cannot say much, but that they are not pleased to see me is manifest. I don't mind them, however.