Present Ranks.

New Ranks.

Surgeon-colonel.
Brigade - surgeon - lieutenantcolonel.
Surgeon-lieutenant-colonel.
Surgeon-major.
Surgeon-captain.

Surgeon-lieutenant.

Colonel.

Lieutenant-colonel.

Major. Captain. Lieutenant.

The medical staff of Our Army shall in future consist of surgeongenerals (ranking as major-generals), and the title of surgeon-majorgenerals now serving shall be altered accordingly.

Officers of Our Royal Army Medical Corps holding appointments in Our household troops shall be borne as seconded officers on the establishment of Our Royal Army Medical Corps, and shall be dealt with as regards pay and promotion in accordance with the rules laid down in Articles 384, 385, and 387 of Our Warrant for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion, and Non-effective Pay of Our Army, dated the 26th April, 1897.

Given at Our Court at Windsor, this 23rd day of June, 1898, in the 62nd year of Our Reign. By Her Majesty's Command,

LANSDOWNE.

## OBITUARY.

DR. JAMES BROWNE.—Dr. Browne died at his late residence, Toronto, July 16th, ten days after an attack of apoplexy, aged 82. He practised medicine for several years in Millbrook and Peterboro', but retired from active work many years ago. He had lived in Toronto for twenty-two years.

ROBERT DICKIE MOFFATT, M.D., C.M.—The many friends of Dr. R. D. Moffatt, of Toronto, were inexpressibly shocked when they heard, July 19th, that he had expired in a dentist's chair. He had suffered for some time from dental caries, and decided to have a number of teeth removed. Choloroform was administered by a competent physician, who noticed signs of failing strength after a comparatively small amount of chloroform had been inhaled. All efforts on the part of Drs. O'Reilly, Bray, Riordan, Elliott, Noble, and Gordon failed to resucitate him. He was 33 years of age, and had been prrctising in Toronto for several years. He graduated in McGill in 1888, and passed his final before the Ontario Medical Council the same year.

JOHN BEATTY, M.D.—Dr. Beatty was one of the oldest physicians in Canada, having commenced practice in the town of Cobourg in 1833. He was very successful as a practitioner, and also took a prominent part in matters outside his profession, especially politics. He was for many years one of the most influential men in Eastern Ontario. He gave up practice so many years ago that he was unknown to the present generation as an active physician. After retiring from active work he lived for many years in Cobourg, the scene of his earlier labors, highly respected by all classes. He enjoyed good health up to the morning of Iuly 17th, when he was seized with faintness while sitting in his arm-chair, and died without a struggle in a few minutes.