

## PERSONAL.

A. Laphorn Smith, (M.D., Laval University,) has passed the examination necessary to admit him a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England.

Dr. Molson, Assistant Demonstrator of Anatomy, McGill University, is absent in Europe.

Dr. James C. Cameron, (M.D., C.M., McGill, 1874,) formerly House Surgeon of the Montreal General Hospital, is at present in Dublin, attending the practice of the Rotunda Lying-in Hospital.

Dr. T. Morrison Fiset, (M.D., Victoria College, 1877,) formerly Out-door Physician to Bellevue Hospital, New York, has commenced practice at Gaspé Basin, Que.

Dr. H. R. Storer, formerly of Boston, and who, owing to poor health, passed the last five years in Europe, has recently returned and located himself at Newport, Rhode Island.

Herbert L. Reddy, B.A., (M.D., C.M., McGill University, 1876,) passed his final examination before the Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, and received the diploma of membership on the 31st January ultimo; also passed his examination at the Apothecaries Hall, London, and received the certificate to practice, on the 14th February.

Charles H. Murray, B.A., (M.D., C.M., McGill University, 1876,) passed his final examination before the Royal College of Surgeons, England, and received the diploma of membership on the 23rd January ultimo; also passed his examination at the Apothecaries' Hall, London, and received the certificate to practice on the 8th November, 1877.

On the 15th of March a number of ladies and gentlemen assembled at Dr. Beemer's, at Wyoming, Ont., to pay him a farewell visit on his removal to London, where he assumes the position of Assistant Physician at the Asylum for the Insane. An address was read by Rev. Geo. Cuthbertson and a handsome silver ice pitcher, goblets and tray were also presented with the address. The Doctor made a feeling reply. Dr. Beemer was also made the recipient of another surprise by the boys of his class at St. John's Church Sunday School, who presented him with an address and a beautiful silver inkstand in the shape of a stag's head and antlers.

ROBERT LEA McDONALD.

In our obituary notice of this eminent physician in our last issue we omitted to state that, in 1851, he associated himself with a number of physicians in Montreal in organizing the St. Lawrence School of Medicine. In this school he filled the chair of

Clinical Surgery. The institution only existed one session.

DR. HODDER, TORONTO.

This distinguished practitioner died at Toronto on the 20th of February. He was a native of England, and entered the Navy when twelve years of age, serving only one year when he left the service with a view of studying medicine, which he eventually did, taking the diploma of the Royal College of Surgeons in 1834. In France he practiced for some years, during which time he paid Canada a visit. He finally settled in the neighborhood of Queenstown, Ont., about 1839, and removed to Toronto in 1843, and continued to practice there till his death. In 1845 he received the degree of C.M. from King's College, and M.D. from Trinity College, Toronto, in 1853. In 1850 he assisted in the establishment of the Upper Canada School of Medicine, and which became the Medical Faculty of Trinity College. This school after a time became extinct, and he became connected with the Toronto School of Medicine. In 1870 the Trinity Medical Faculty was reformed and Dr. Hodder became its Dean, and occupied that position at his death. He was President of the Canada Medical Association in 1875. Dr. Hodder was a first-class practitioner, and in gynæcological diseases he had a wide reputation. His death removes from the profession in Canada one of its most prominent and esteemed members.

Dr. Fleetwood Churchill, the eminent obstetrician, died, February 2, of broncho-pneumonia, in the seventieth year of his age.

## EXTERNAL USE OF TINCTURE OF BELLADONNA IN NIGHT-SWEATING.

Dr. J. T. Nairne writes to the *British Medical Journal*: For some little time past I have employed the common pharmacopœial tincture of belladonna for sponging the body in cases of phthisical and excessive sweating, and invariably with marked benefit. So far as my experience goes, I have found it very much better than anything else, if applied before a sweating comes on, it prevents it; if during the sweating, it almost immediately controls it. Two teaspoonfuls of the tincture mixed with an equal quantity of whisky are quite sufficient (applied with the hand) to cover the whole body and produced the desired effect. I have adopted this method of treatment in my last cases of scarlet fever, which have all done well; but they have not been numerous enough to justify any definite opinion of the value of belladonna applied in this manner.