

A new hospital is to be erected in Melbourne, Australia, to cost about \$600,000. The architect visited the best hospitals in the world, Canada, Britain and the continent.

Dr. Simeon Snell, immediate past President of the British Medical Association died at his home in Sheffield, on 17th April. He held many high appointments.

The system of Medical Education in Edinburgh is under a good deal of criticism at the present time. Old and traditional methods have out-lived their usefulness. The systematic lecture has become a stumbling-block in the advancement of medical education.

Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, in *B. M. J.* contends that the continuous treatment of syphilis for a period of two years is the best plan. He holds that if the treatment be properly regulated there is no need for giving the constitution periods of rest. He favors the 1 grain gray powder pill.

The committee of medical and lay members which has in charge the securing of a suitable memorial to the late Dr. W. T. Ball, has issued an appeal for \$500,000 as a fund for original research in connection with Columbia University.

There is a proposition on foot for Harvard University to establish a medical school in China. A board of eleven trustees has been appointed in the presidency of ex-President Roosevelt, and the approval of the officials of China has been secured.

A good deal of evidence is being accumulated to show that the short bacillus, with rounded ends, discovered in 1906 by Bordet and Gengou is the true cause of whooping-cough. Their results have been confirmed by Klimenko.

The Merchants' Association of New York has issued a pamphlet dealing with the house-fly. A good case is made out against this common nuisance and excellent rules laid down for the prevention of the breeding of the fly and the spread of disease by it.

Dr. Claudius Galen Wheelhouse died on Good Friday, at the age of 82. For many years he was surgeon to Leeds Hospital, and took much interest in medical affairs in Britain. He was President of the annual meeting of the British Medical Association which met in Leeds in 1889.

The Eugenic Society in Britain has been making its voice heard. Every one is in sympathy with all efforts to raise the physical standard of the nation. It may be well to move in this matter slowly and gain plenty of information before asking for any laws.

Two college buildings at a cost of \$100,000 each are to be erected near the site of the Illinois Hospital for photo-therapy. Every facility will be given for the study of the effects of different forms of light on disease.