

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS, PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

The Preliminary Examination for admission to the study of Medicine in this Province will be held in Montreal on the 7th of May.

The meeting of the Board of Governors, for granting licenses and other business, will take place in Montreal, on the 12th of May. We direct attention to the advertisement concerning both these meetings, which will be found in this number.

OBITUARY.

We deeply regret to hear that Dr. Aaron Ansell (C.M., M.D., Bishop's College, 1878) died suddenly at Panama, United States of Colombia, on the 2nd of March. After graduating at Bishop's College, Dr. Ansell at once proceeded to Falmouth, Jamaica, where his wife (a native of the place) and his family were residing. He began practice, and was meeting with good success, when he received a cordial invitation from many of the leading inhabitants of Panama to settle there. This invitation was subsequently rendered more tempting by a considerable yearly income being guaranteed to him. This decided him, and leaving his family (who were soon to follow) he sailed for Panama. He had barely more than arrived and entered upon practice when death came suddenly upon him. Dr. Ansell graduated at the University of Georgetown (Washington) and entered the American Army, being present at the first battle of Bull's Run. He also saw much other service. He continued in the American Army till 1868, when he resigned and settled in Mexico. In 1872, he removed to Texas, being engaged in extensive practice at Corpus Christi, where he was held in very high esteem. He had, however, a strong desire to settle with his family in Jamaica, but to do this legally a British qualification was necessary. Accordingly, in the fall of 1877, he arrived in Montreal, and entered at Bishop's College. He took out and attended a full course of lectures, and was one of the graduates of 1878. Dr. Ansell was possessed of much more than usual ability, and as an operator was most expert. His wife and young family have the cordial sympathy of all who knew him during his stay in Montreal.

REVIEWS.

Our Homes. By HENRY HARTSHORNE, A.M., M.D. Philadelphia: Presley Blakiston, 1880.

Of the many attractive titles which have been comprised in the series of American Health Primers already published, none can be more so than that which adorns the little volume now before us. "Our Homes" is written by a gentleman whose name is a guarantee for the production of a book well worthy of perusal, and we can assure our readers that he has fulfilled the task assigned to him most creditably. We have so strongly commended previous issues that it may seem almost too much commendation to say that, if not the best, it is one of the best of the series. It may be a hard task to awaken the sympathies of the general public, strange as it may seem, to the value of teeth, of the eye, of the ear, or of the brain; but when the subject of "Home" is written upon, the heart at once responds, and deep interest ensues. We therefore feel that this volume is sure to take unanimously with the public, and in its perusal they will have no disappointment, for to our mind it is a gem. The chapters on Warmth, Ventilation and Drainage seem to us especially valuable; they convey truths in a manner so insidiously and pleasantly worded as certainly to be productive of much good.

Posological Table. By CHARLES RICE. Published by William Wood & Co., New York.

This is an exceedingly handy and useful little book which can easily be carried in the breast pocket, and thus be always at hand for reference. It contains the doses not only of all the medicines and preparations that are officinal in the United States Dispensatory, but also the most frequently employed unofficial preparations. Eclectic medicines are also given. It includes all the most recently introduced substances such as Boldo, Coto, Guarana, Glonoinum, and the like. It is in fact the most complete posological table that has ever been published, and we can recommend it to all who are in active practice.

MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.

MEETING 30th JANUARY, 1880.

Present: Dr. R. P. Howard (chairman), Drs. Henry Howard, Larocque, Kerry, F. W. Campbell, Osler, Guerin, Ross, Fenwick, Hingston, Bessey.