

PERSONAL.

Among our old friends, who were in Montreal, during the McGill semi-centennial celebration was Dr. Brouse, Brockville; Dr. Lyon, Shawville; Dr. Battersby, Port Dover; Dr. A. D. Stevens, Dunham; Dr. McIntosh, Vankleek Hill; Dr. Pringle, Cornwall; Dr. Gibson, Cowansville; Dr. Cotton, Cowansville; Dr. H. P. Wright, Ottawa; Dr. R. A. D. King, Compton, and Dr. Walsh.

Dr. Henry Harkin (M.D. McGill, 1867) has been removed from Guelph, where he settled after leaving the Allan Mail Line, and located in Montreal. Before leaving Guelph, Dr. Harkin received a handsome testimonial and address from his patients and friends.

Dr. R. Palmer Howard has been elected Dean of the McGill Faculty of Medicine, in place of the late Dr. George W. Campbell.

Dr. Bull (M.D. McGill, 1869) was in Montreal, for a few days the early part of this month. He returns to Colorado Springs where he locates for the present. Canadian Physicians sending patients to Colorado Springs, should direct them to Dr. Bull's care.

Dr. F. Wayland Campbell has been elected acting Dean of the Medical Faculty of Bishop's College.

Dr. Rottot, Dean of Laval University, has returned from Europe.

We take the following from *The China Mail* newspaper, published in Hong Kong, May 18th, 1882:

"By the steamship *Canopus* to-day (18th) we note the departure of Dr. William Young for San Francisco, *en route* for England. During the years that Dr. Young has been a resident in Hong Kong, he has been identified in a most unassuming manner with many useful and philanthropic works. We have only to mention the Native Hospital in Taipingshan, which, although nominally under the auspices of the London Missionary Society, was entirely due to Dr. Young's sacrifice of time and professional skill. In recognition of his efforts in this direction we believe that several members of the native community some time ago presented him with an address in silk. The Parsee community has also recognised Dr. Young's labors among the sick poor in a most substantial form, and to-day an influential deputation from that com-

munity went on board the *Canopus* to testify their appreciation and to wish him God-speed. Speaking from our own experience, we may state that not only to his personal friends will his departure be a serious loss, but that the sick poor, no matter of what color or creed, will have lost in him a disinterested friend."

Dr. Young (Bishop's, 1878) was formerly a resident of Montreal, and he has now returned to commence practice in this city. A prolonged residence in Hong Kong is very trying to the health of Europeans, and it is owing to this reason that he left China. We have seen the Chinese address, which is printed in the characters peculiar to the Celestial people, and which, with its oriental frame, presents a very handsome and unique appearance.

REVIEWS.

Rational Materialistic Definition of Insanity and Imbecility, with the Medical Jurisprudence of Legal Criminality, founded upon Physiological, Psychological and Clinical Observations. By HENRY HOWARD, M.R.C.S. Eng. Montreal: Dawson Brothers.

This little book is chiefly taken up with a consideration of the Hayvern murder case, which was tried in Montreal in the autumn of 1881, and was fully discussed in the October, November and December Numbers of the CANADA MEDICAL RECORD. Dr. Howard reviews the case in detail defending the hypothesis of Hayvern's insanity, and reprints from the *Canada Medical and Surgical Journal* Dr. Osler's paper on the Brains of Criminals, in which Hayvern's brain is figured and described; he also quotes criticisms of the case which have appeared in various psychological journals. We can not say that Dr. Howard has thrown much new light upon this case, or advanced anything further in support of his diagnosis which can be accepted as conclusive proof. The reviewers' opinions, which he quotes, must be accepted with considerable caution, for they have evidently been based chiefly upon Dr. Howard's own evidence, and the very imperfect newspaper reports of the case.

Although many of the author's opinions are rather *advanced*, and some of his theories a little startling, there is nevertheless much sound common-sense in his book, together with many valuable