

rain was falling, and that fitfully alternating with great heat. November is always a very trying month in the Isthmus, it being the last month of the winter, the dry season or summer commencing in December.

Owing to the vast amount of work going on, on the canal, such as the excavating of earth, swamps, etc., an immense amount of fever-producing material is being disturbed, all of this *plus* the presence of an immense staff of canal officers, and other unacclimated people in the Isthmus, and the indescribable filthy condition of Colon, Atlantic side, leads thinking physicians to anticipate that the disease will appear in an epidemic form.

Dr. Nelson during his residence in the Isthmus has experienced the disease himself in a severe form. He has promised the RECORD a series of letters on its various types, such as the malignant, severe and mild.

He further states that Drs. Girard, Didier, and Acoullot of the Canal staff, are conducting a series of experiments, à la Pasteur, and that their researches, clinical, pathological, and experimental, will appear in due time.

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF MONTREAL.

The Society held its annual meeting on the 26th October, and elected the following officers: President, Dr. C. M. Filiatrault; 1st vice-president, Dr. N. Fafard; 2nd vice-president, Dr. J. I. Desroches; secretary-treasurer, Dr. H. E. Desrosiers; assistant secretary-treasurer, Dr. Aimé Trudel; council, Drs. A. Lamarche, A. Dagenais, J. W. Mount, G. Archambault, and L. J. V. Cleroux.

SIR ANDREW CLARK, BART.

The many friends, in Montreal and throughout Canada, of this distinguished physician, who accompanied the Princess Louise and the Marquis of Lorne to Canada in 1878, will learn with pleasure that Her Majesty has conferred on him a Baronetcy.

REVIEWS.

F. Blakistons & Son's Visiting List, for 1884, late Lindsay & Blakiston's. Philadelphia.

This, the oldest of visiting lists, has reached us in good season, and maintains its excellent reputation.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Brodie (M.D. McGill, '77), of Honolulu, Sandwich, and formerly assistant Demonstrator of Anatomy in Bishop's College Faculty of Medicine, was in Montreal early in November, on a brief visit to his friends.

J. J. E. Maher (M.D. McGill, 1883), has been appointed a District Dispensing Physician in New York.

Dr. F. J. D. Tetreault (M.D. Bishop's College, 1879), of Orange, N.J., U.S., was in Montreal, the end of November, on his bridal tour.

Dr. Jackson has become Dean of the Medical Faculty of Laval University, Quebec, in place of Dr. Jas. Sewell, deceased.

Dr. Chas. Verge takes the chair of Practice of Medicine, in Laval University, Quebec, held by the late Dr. Sewell.

Dr. P. Wells replaces Dr. Charles Verge in the chair of Materia Medica, Laval University, Quebec.

Dr. D. Brochu, replaces Dr. Wells in the chair of Hygiene, Laval University, Quebec.

Dr. F. W. Borden, of Canning, N.S., has been appointed surgeon to the 68th (King's County) Infantry.

Dr. Picault of Montreal was recently tendered a banquet by the French Societies of this city on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of his arrival in Canada from France.

OBITUARY.

THE LATE DR. E. H. TRUDEL.

We chronicle with much regret the death of Dr. Trudel, which took place in this city on the 5th of October. The deceased gentleman was born in 1820, and pursued his education at Nicolet College, entering medicine at McGill College, at which University he took the degree of M.D. in 1844. Early in the history of the Montreal School of Medicine and Surgery (Victoria College Faculty of Medicine) he became connected with it, and for years, up to the period of his death, has filled the chair of obstetrics. He was also one of the representatives of the school on the Board of Governors of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of this Province. Dr. Trudel occupied the leading position among our French Canadian *confrères*, and his death leaves a blank which cannot be readily filled.