

to pass through a climacteric period with its miseries. He alluded to an occasional trouble after all sorts of abdominal operations,—acute melancholia—and took occasion to mention his vast experience for so young a man—under forty—of 960 abdominal sections. In this number he had met with seven cases of acute melancholia. The occurrence of acute melancholia in the proportion of, say, one per cent. of such operations does not prove to us that there is any necessary connection. Mr. Tait, although in this lecture he discussed the operative treatment of uterine myoma, did not any more clearly define the position he takes than in previous deliverances.

—We learn that Dr. D. L. Philip of Brantford has been nominated by the Brant Medical Association a candidate for the Ontario Medical Council, to represent the Erie and Niagara Division. From what we know of the high standing of Dr. Philip, his many sterling qualities, and the interest he has always taken in all matters of general interest to the profession, we feel satisfied he would make an excellent representative and a useful member of the Council.

—On the eve of his departure for Philadelphia, Dr. Osler was made the recipient of a complimentary dinner from his medical brethren in this city. About fifty members were present, and the chair was taken by Dr. R. P. Howard. The kindest feeling prevailed; the highest compliments were paid to the guest of the evening, whilst all united in offering good wishes in the new career which was opened out before him.

**MCGILL MEDICAL FACULTY.**—The fifty-second session of this Faculty was opened on the 1st October with an introductory lecture by Prof. Penhallow, treating of the relative position which the teaching of botany holds in the various schools in this country and the United States. As to the prospects for the session, it may be mentioned that up to the present time over seventy new students have registered, and the total number of the class exceeds that of any previous year.

**MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.**—At the annual meeting of the Medico-Chirurgical Society, held on the 10th inst., the following officers were elected: President, Dr. Roddick; 1st Vice-President, Dr. Alloway; 2nd Vice-President, Dr. Trenholme; Treasurer, Dr. Molson; Secretary, Dr. Gurd; Librarian, Dr. Reed. Council—Drs. Geo. Ross, Kennedy and Rodger. Publication Committee—Drs. Cameron, Geo. Ross, Kennedy and Bell. The retiring President, Dr. Rodger, in his address, spoke of the