

Board; but we rather think that persons practising upon such qualifications in Ontario would do so under the same restrictions as those referring to practitioners holding a diploma from any university or college in Great Britain, and who do not choose to take out the License of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario. It was with a view of putting a stop to such irregularities that it was suggested by some leading members of our profession to secure a general Act for the whole Dominion. The measure has been before the profession for some four years, but there are so many conflicting interests that we feel certain that nothing will come of it. In the meantime we must protect ourselves in this Province of Quebec against the encroachment of other parts of the Dominion, since they refuse the right hand of fellowship, preferring to continue the old regime to the manifest lowering of the standard of medical education in our country.

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#### MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL—APPOINTMENT OF DR. ROSS.

The death of Dr. Fraser left a vacancy in the attending medical staff of the Montreal General Hospital; the duties of that office had been filled by the late Dr. Fraser during the past twenty-five years.

At the last quarterly meeting of the governors George Ross, A.M., M.D., was elected to fill the vacancy. We congratulate Dr. Ross on his appointment, and the governors of the hospital in having secured the services of a gentleman who, though young, is destined, if life and health be granted, to fill an important position in the medical and surgical staff of our city.

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## Medical News.

#### DIETETICS OF PHTHISIS.

In the discussion which followed Dr. William's late paper on the Effect of Climate, at the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, opposite statements were made with regard to the diet of the Icelanders; and subsequently Dr. Horace Dobell wrote to Mr. Thorlakur O. Johnsen, one of the few Icelanders in this country; to ask him for a detailed statement of the diet of the different classes in Iceland. Mr. Johnson is an excellent authority. The following in his reply, just received, which may be considered authoritatively to settle the question