

over the sodium iodide in these cases. This is evident when we remember that it is the potassium and not the iodine which is the active vascular agent.

PROFESSOR WILLIAM OSLER.

Dr. Osler has accepted the positions of Professor of Medicine in the Johns-Hopkins University and Physician to the Johns-Hopkins Hospital. This great school is now gradually making preparations for an early opening. Among many good appointments, none have been wiser than that of Dr. Osler's. Much will be expected of him in his new position, and we confidently predict that the response will exceed the expectations.

THE NEW VOLUME OF THE INDEX CATALOGUE.

We have received the ninth volume of the "Index Catalogue of the Library of the Surgeon-General's Office, United States Army." The present number begins with "Medicine" and extends to "Nymelt." No pains have apparently been spared to make it a complete and exhaustive account of the literature embraced under the above letters. The editors of this monumental work deserve the warmest thanks of the profession.

INTERCOLONIAL MEDICAL CONGRESS, MELBOURNE, 1889.

We have received the following letter, which we take pleasure inserting in full, from the General Secretary of the Intercolonial Medical Congress. We congratulate our Australian brethren on their enterprise, and hope that their Medical Congress will prove in every way a successful meeting:—

UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE,
6th August, 1888.

To the Editors of THE MONTREAL MEDICAL JOURNAL.

SIRS,—I have the honor to inform you that an Intercolonial Medical Congress of Australasia will assemble in Melbourne in 1889, meeting on January 7th and rising on the 12th. I