

half. On the portion which will be thus freed, we understand Major Mills will, in the spring, proceed with the erection of the wing, which is to receive his name. Such is the present position of the affairs of the Western Hospital, and we think that, all things considered, especially the opposition it has met with from a quarter from which we think it was not to have been expected, we are of opinion that the friends of the new hospital have every reason to be satisfied and take courage.

COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS OF
LOWER CANADA.

The semi-annual meeting of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada was held in Laval University, Quebec, on the 29th of September.

After the routine business of the College had been completed, the following gentlemen graduates of the undermentioned Universities on presentation of their Diplomas received their licenses:—

Laval University.—Drs. J. P. Boulet, L. E. O. Desjardins, W. Biledeau, A. Valée, N. E. Dionne, L. J. A. Dostaler, G. B. Walters, N. A. Desjardins.

McGill University.—Drs. G. L. Hume, J. A. Meek, J. L. Tunstall.

Queen's University.—Dr. H. Saunders.

Bishop's University.—Drs. J. A. Pidgeon and F. Benoit.

Several gentlemen were admitted, after examination, to the study of medicine.

After adjournment the members were entertained at the Stadacona Club.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Duncan (M.D. McGill College, 1874) acted as surgeon to the Allan mail steamship *Sardinian*, on her last trip homeward from Montreal.

Dr. Kennedy, Professor of Surgery in Bishop's College, whose illness we alluded to in our last issue, left Montreal on the 15th November, for Colorado, where he intends to pass the winter. A number of his friends, also all the students of Bishop's College assembled at the station to bid him farewell. Previous to his departure his class, through a deputation, waited upon him and presented him with the following address beautifully engrossed on parchment:—"We your students in Surgery, having heard with deep regret of your illness and that you contemplate a temporary removal to a more congenial climate, cannot allow the opportunity to pass without expressing the deep debt of gratitude we owe to you. Your continued kindness, unwearied attention and zeal for our welfare has endeared you

to us all, and we sincerely trust that the methods used for your recovery will be the means under the Divine blessing of promoting a speedy and permanent restoration to health. We hope you will experience much pleasure and benefit from your contemplated journey, and soon return completely restored to health, strengthened and invigorated to resume your invaluable labours in our midst."

Dr. Davis (C.M., M.D., Bishop's College, 1875) has settled at Buxton, East Coast, Demerara, West Indies.

REVIEW.

On Poisons, in relation to Medical Jurisprudence and Medicine. By ALFRED SWAINE TAYLOR, M.D., F.R.S., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, London, and Lecturer on Medical Jurisprudence in Guy's Hospital. Third edition, thoroughly revised, with 104 illustrations. Philadelphia: Henry C. Lee, 1875. Montreal: Dawson Brothers.

It would seem to be an almost superfluous task to say anything to recommend the work, the title of which heads this notice. For years it has been the standard work, and the recognized text book, in most of the medical schools, not only on this continent but likewise in Great Britain, for its author, as an authority in matters of Medical Jurisprudence, stands at the head of the list. Complete as seemed previous editions, the present one is much more so; indeed, the revision has been so complete that, to all intents, it is a new work. An improvement on former issues is the number of illustrations which have been introduced, and which add very materially to the value of the book. Taking it for what it is intended—a manual for students and practitioners in law and medicine, we do not know any equal to it.

Reports of Societies.

MONTREAL MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.

The fifth annual meeting of this Society was held in their rooms, Natural History Society building, on the evening of the 22nd of October, the President, Dr. Reddy, in the chair. The following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year. President, Dr. Robert T. Godfrey; 1st Vice President, Dr. Francis W. Campbell; 2nd Vice President, Dr. J. M. Drake; Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. John Bell; Council, Drs. William Gardner, Thomas G. Roddick and William Osler.