

sity, has been elected to the Presidency of the British Association for the Advancement of Science in succession to Sir Wm. Crookes.

Virchow's visit to England is an event of more than common interest. Invited over to deliver the second Huxley Lecture at the Charing Cross Hospital, he accepted with readiness and pleasure, although burdened with pressing work at home. The lecture is published in the *Philadelphia Medical Journal*, of the 8th of October, and should be read by every medical practitioner and student.

The Undergraduate's Medical Society of McGill University has elected the following officers:—Hon. President Prof. Geo. E. Armstrong, M.D.; President, F. T. Tooke, B.A., '99; Vice-President, T. E. Craig, '99; Secretary, J. E. M. Carnwath, '00; Treasurer, F. S. Porter, '00; Reporter, W. A. Wilkins, '99; Pathologist, A. H. Gordon, '99. Councilmen, Dr. Lafleur, Dr. Garrow, A. C. P. Howard, B.A., '01.

It is reported that the micro-organism of rabies has been discovered, Memmo (*Centralt. f. Bakt. Bd.* xxi. 17-18) describes a blastomycet which he could cultivate and which when he inoculated it into dogs, rodents, or birds, produced the typical disease. It grew best on glucose-agar slightly acidulated with tartaric acid. The organism is found in the cerebro-spinal fluid, brain, cord, saliva, and parotid gland.

Dr. Hamilton K. Wright, the Medical Registrar of the Royal Victoria Hospital, who was last year appointed Exhibitioner to the British Medical Association, and John Lucas Walker Exhibitioner of the University of Cambridge read at the meeting of the International Physiological Congress at Cambridge, the results of his investigations upon the action of chloroform and ether upon the cells of the cortex and will this Autumn give a series of demonstrations at Cambridge upon the pathology of the nervous system.

The American Electro-Therapeutical Association held its 8th Annual Meeting in Buffalo, Sept. 13th to 15th, Dr. C. R. Dickson, Toronto, in the chair. Many interesting papers were read. Those contributed by Canadians were:

"Cases of Lightning-Stroke causing Diseases of the Eye," G. Sterling Ryerson, Toronto. "Electricity in the Treatment of Goitre," C. R. Dickson, Toronto. "Surgical Uses of Electricity," C. R. Dickson, Toronto. "Electricity in the Treatment of Certain Diseases of the Eye," G. H. Burnham, Toronto. The Association meets next year in Washington.

A very instructive paper on 172 cases of Diabetes treated in the Massachusetts General Hospital, during the past 64 years, was read by Drs. Fitz and Joslin before the recent meeting of the American