

editing of this journal, we shall endeavor to retain their good will, and hope, in the not distant future, to earn the cordial approval of the medical profession at home and abroad. J. J. C.

ACCESSIONS TO OUR STAFF.

It is with great pleasure that we welcome to the ranks of our editorial staff Dr. Thomas H. Manley, Professor of General Surgery in the New York School of Clinical Medicine. Dr. Manley is visiting surgeon to Harlem Hospital, consulting surgeon to Fordham Hospital, and Hospital for the Aged, Yonkers; Vice-President of the National Association of Railway Surgeons, a member of the New York Academy of Medicine, and many other city, county and national medical societies. His monographs on "Hernia" and "Local Anæsthetics" are well-known to Canadian readers. Dr. Manley will take charge of the department of Surgical Pathology in THE CANADIAN JOURNAL OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY.

Drs. B. E. McKenzie and H. P. H. Galloway, both well-known orthopedic surgeons have kindly consented to look after the department of Orthopedic Surgery. J. J. C.

FOOD TABLETS.

NOT long ago an American chemist, evidently a disciple of Prof. Berthelot, of France, stated that the time was near at hand when hot water and food tablets would be the sole accoutrements of a kitchen; that the essential food elements of a twelve-hundred pound steer can be put into an ordinary pill-box, and that a single concentrated soup tablet the size of a pea will make a large bowl of soup full of nourishing strength. A ration case weighing eight ounces was planned. It contained the following supply: Three tablets of concentrated soups, equal to three quarts; four beef tablets, equal to six pounds of the meat; one milk tablet, equal to one pint; two tablets wheaten grits, equal to two pounds; one tablet egg food, equal to twelve eggs.

Viewed from a chemical standpoint, it may seem possible to reduce, by condensation, the bulk of man's food almost indefinitely, and thus furnish in a thoroughly portable and convenient form nutriment for the body which will remain unchanged through long