

wide general culture. Although not a prolific writer, his contributions always commanded attention as the results of a large experience and of careful observation. He held the positions of Surgeon to the Charter House, and Examiner in Anatomy at the University of London. In 1877 he was elected President of the Clinical Society of London.

#### PERSONAL.

Dr. Craik (Montreal) has been confined to his house for several weeks from a poisoned wound of the second finger of his right hand. The nail had to be removed, and the affection has been exceedingly painful throughout.

Dr. Ritchie (M.D., McGill College, 1876) has removed from Montreal to St. Paul, Minnesota, where, under the auspices of the new lessees of the St. Paul and Manitoba Railway (Messrs. Stephens and Angus), he has a brilliant future. We commend him to the profession of St. Paul as a genial gentleman and a worthy and talented physician.

Dr. Gaherty (M.D., Bishop's College, 1879) is settled at Carillon, in medical charge of the extensive Government works going on in that neighborhood.

Dr. J. S. Edwards (M.D., McGill College, 1879), son of Dr. E. G. Edwards, Ex-President of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, has been appointed House Surgeon of the London (Ont.) General Hospital.

Dr. Mitchell, of Amherst, N.S., has been appointed Physician to the Maritime Penitentiary, Dorchester, New Brunswick.

Dr. J. H. Ryan, of Sussex, N.B., has been appointed Associate Coroner for King's County, New Brunswick.

The Hon. Dr. Paquet of St. Cuthbert has accepted the position of Professor of Hygiene in Victoria College Faculty of Medicine, Montreal.

Dr. Alfred Codd, (M.D., McGill College, 1865) is in practice at Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Dr. George W. Nelson, First Rank Honors Primary and Final Years, and Final Prizeman, Medical Faculty of Bishop's College is acting as assistant to Dr. J. H. Cotton, at Mount Forest, Ont.

Dr. Wolfred Nelson,—formerly Assistant Demonstrator of Anatomy Medical Faculty of

Bishop's College, has been obliged to relinquish practice on account of pulmonary trouble, and leave for a warm climate. Dr. Nelson will travel in the W. I. Islands and South America, this winter and next summer, as a correspondent. Articles from his pen, on Climatology, Winter Resorts for Invalids, Notes on Hospitals, etc., will appear from time to time in these columns.

#### MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.

October 17, 1879.

A regular meeting was held this evening. The President, Dr. R. P. Howard, in the chair.

There were present: Drs. R. P. Howard, President; Henry Howard, John Reddy, F. W. Campbell, Proudfoot, Kennedy, Baynes, Kerry, Bessey, Armstrong, Brown, Brodie, Osler, Roddick, Ross, Gardener, Molson, Shepherd, Smith, Hingston, McConnell, Ritchie, Wilkins and Edwards.

Dr. Osler exhibited as pathological specimens:

1st. Striated myo-sarcoma of kidney in a child of  $3\frac{1}{4}$  years of age, in the practice of Dr. Finnie. It had been considered a case of abscess. Death took place suddenly. Malignant growths in the kidney are comparatively rare, but in children occur with comparative frequency. The tumors are usually soft, and rapidly growing present a greyish white pulpy tissue like softened brain matter. They sometimes form large abdominal tumors, and with cancer of the retroperitoneal glands constitute the great majority of abdominal new growths in children. Tumors containing striped muscular fibre are a curiosity, only some twenty cases being on record.

2nd case was one of cirrhosis of the liver with thrombosis of the portal vein in a man aged 62, an old soldier. History, of drinking habits. Illness began in June with dropsical symptoms. He took a voyage from Newfoundland, his home, to Montreal, and died two days after his admission to the Hospital here. The liver was remarkably cirrhotic, the portal vein had thick walls, which, being slit up, showed a soft brown thrombus occupying the upper part.

3rd. Perforation of the intestine in typhoid fever. Patient died on the 50th day of the disease. The patient, aged 19, admitted on 2nd of September and 9th day of fever, temperature