

M.D., Johns Hopkins, and John McCrae, B.A., M.B., first class honour man in Natural Science and Arts and late Fellow in Biology in the University of Toronto, late house surgeon to the Toronto General Hospital.

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The College of Physicians of Philadelphia announce that the fifth Triennial Prize of Five Hundred Dollars, known as the "William F. Jenks Memorial Prize," will be awarded to the author of the best essay on "The Various Manifestations of Lithæmia in Infancy and Childhood, with the Etiology and Treatment." The prize is open for competition to the whole world, but the essay must be the production of a single person.

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The essay, which must be written in the English language, or if in a foreign language, accompanied by an English translation, must be sent to the College of Physicians of Philadelphia before January 1st, 1901, addressed to Richard C. Norris, M.D., Chairman of the William F. Jenks Prize Committee. Each essay must be typewritten, distinguished by a motto, and accompanied by a sealed envelope bearing the same motto and containing the name and address of the writer. No envelope will be opened except that which accompanies the successful essay.

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It is a pleasure to note the continued and rapid advance of a Montreal student. Dr. Hamilton K. Wright, late Registrar at the Royal Victoria Hospital, after having successfully gained an Exhibition from the British Medical Association, a John Lucas Walker Research Exhibition at Cambridge and having for the last 18 months been pathologist in charge of the admirable laboratory at Claybury Asylum, which is said to be the largest institution of its kind in the world, has now been commissioned by the British Colonial office to spend the next three years in the Straits Settlements investigating Beri-beri and other tropical diseases.

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We note with appreciation that the Governors of the Royal Victoria Hospital have installed an excellent English billiard table for the use of the Resident Staff. Such care for the recreation of the staff is worthy of the highest commendation and gratitude; for often in hospitals it is thought sufficient to provide the Resident with bed and board, and little or no care is taken to brighten those hours when the men are not supposed to be in the wards or outpatient department. And provided that regulations are made and enforced that such billiard room be only used during hours which can be legitimately devoted to recreation, that, for example, it be not open during daylight when the staff on leave should be in the open air, and provided, again, that it be closed at night at the hour when the residents make their evening rounds, and that it be not