

an education capable of preparing pupils to pass the *entire* examination preliminary to entering medicine. Mr. Shewan, a gentleman for many years connected with the Montreal High School, largely engaged in preparing students for the examination, gave it as his opinion that the amount of Latin translation was too extensive for the time allowed, and that it would be better to curtail in translation and extend in parsing. This view was heartily endorsed by the representative of St. Francis College, Richmond. Altogether we consider that the result of the meeting proves the wisdom of the action taken by the College. We may add that there never has been any idea of rendering the examinations less stringent.

A GUIDE FOR THE MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF RECRUITS.

We have received from the Militia Department a copy of a small *brochure* bearing the above title, which has been prepared by Surgeon Major Neilson of "B" Battery 1st Regiment Canadian Artillery. Its appearance is opportune, as the Government are at this moment enlisting a force of three hundred men to serve for three years as an Infantry Corps. We have examined the little book with care, and must congratulate Dr. Neilson on the thoroughness with which he has prepared his work. A civil surgeon has but little idea of the many points which arise in considering the fitness of a recruit for military service. A study of this volume will enable those whose duty it will be to examine candidates for military service to secure for the Government a class of men, who will do credit to their corps and to the country. We hope the Government will place it in the hands of the Surgeon of every Volunteer Corps.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

To our friend Barnjum, Montreal is indebted for one of the most pleasing features of the recent very successful "carnival," in the shape of a rehearsal by his young ladies' and children's classes of their most interesting exercise. The pupils, numbering in all ninety-five, went through these in such manner as to delight the large audience present, many of whom congratulated Mr. Barnjum very heartily upon his work. The rehearsal included marching at the double, free gymnastics,

Indian club swinging, dumb bells, bar bells and varied exercises.

We were glad to notice a large attendance of medical men, including many of our visiting brethren, all of whom expressed themselves delighted with the exhibition. Mr. Barnjum is unquestionably doing valuable work for the rising generation, and we trust our city *confrères* generally will avail themselves of his open invitation to call in upon him during working hours, and see what is being done in the direction of physical education in our midst.

PERSONAL.

Dr. Vineberg (M.D., McGill, 1878 and Gold Medallist), of Portage la Prairie, has been in Montreal several weeks on a visit.

Dr. Foley (C.M., M.D., Bishop's College, 1880) has returned to Montreal, and resumed practice. We are pleased to say that his health has much improved.

We regret to hear of the illness of Dr. Loverin (M.D., McGill, 1854) at his home in this city.

Dr. Richard MacDonnell (M.D., McGill, 1876) has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Grand Trunk Railroad.

Dr. Stewart, professor of Materia Medica in McGill University has been elected an Attending Physician to the Montreal Dispensary in place of Dr. McConnell, resigned.

Dr. McConnell, Professor of Materia Medica in Bishop's College, has resigned his position as one of the Attending Physicians to the Montreal Dispensary, and been placed on the Consulting Staff.

Dr. Digby of Brantford, Ont. (M.D., McGill, 1863) visited Montreal during Carnival week, as also did Dr. Phillip of Brantford (M.D., McGill, 1863).

Dr. Rogers, having recovered his health, has returned to Ottawa and resumed practice.

Dr. Roddick of Montreal, when last heard from, was in Algiers.

Dr. Marsden of Quebec has been appointed a commissioner of the Marine Hospital, Quebec, in place of Dr. J. A. Sewell resigned.