

matter from the corn; he cited cases in which the disease had been set up by so slight a cause as the prick of a pin.

Dr. Vineberg thought that in the first case there might have been acute periostitis present, which is a recognised cause of the disease; might be produced by cold, and was not necessarily followed by caries of bone.

Dr. Bell said he was very sceptical about cold being a cause of acute periostitis.

Mr. Gray explained that the exposure to cold in this case, though not given by the parents as the cause of the disease, was slight, and that it had no weight with him.

Medical Items and News.

MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL.—At the annual meeting of the Board of Governors of this Hospital, held on the 23rd of May, ultimo, at which the election of officers for the ensuing twelve months took place, the Secretary read a letter of resignation from Dr. J. M. Drake, one of the attending Physicians. On motion of Dr. G. W. Campbell, Dr. Drake was unanimously elected on the Consulting Staff of the Hospital. The vacancy in the Attending Medical Staff created by the resignation of Dr. Drake, was filled by the election to that responsible position of William Osler, M.D., L.R.C.P., London. We congratulate our young friend on his appointment, which we regard as in every respect a most judicious selection.

By the steamer of the 25th May, ultimo, Dr. George Ross, Professor of Clinical Medicine, McGill University, and Dr. William Osler, Professor of Institutes of Medicine, McGill University, left for Europe.

Dr. Brown-Séguard has been elected as successor to the late Claude Bernard, as Professor of the College of France. This is a most judicious appointment, as few persons have done as much to elucidate the somewhat obscure features of brain and nervous organization than Brown-Séguard, as well as the rational treatment of brain and nervous affections.