

*Claude Bernard.* By SIR MICHAEL FOSTER. London: Fisher Unwin. 3s. 6d.

In this little book, the eminent physiologist appears in the rôle of biographer, and tells the story of Claude Bernard's life in a simple and straightforward way, that has a peculiar charm, especially to those who are familiar with the writings of Sir Michael Foster upon other subjects. It is, moreover, not an uninteresting nor an uninteresting story; the way in which the young apothecary's clerk, and afterwards the aspiring dramatist, made his way to Paris, and there, instead of becoming a poet, became a great physician and physiologist. The book is a dainty little literary trifle, and will afford the medical reader a half hour of pleasure. To the publishers also is due the credit of having made it very attractive.

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Dr. JAS. D. THORBURN has moved into his handsome new residence at 321 Bloor Street west.

DR. W. P. CAVEN has, we a glad to say, recovered from his recent attack of typhoid fever.

Dr. G. A. PETERS is now captain of a company in the Governor-General's Body Guard, having been promoted from a lieutenancy.

WE take this opportunity of extending our sympathy towards Drs. Hutchison and Laphorn Smith, of Montreal, on their recent heavy family bereavements.

WE should have stated in our last issue that Wm. Wood & Co., New York, are the American publishers of Norman Walker's "Introduction to Dermatology."

Dr. F. N. G. STARR, Dr. J. M. McCallum, and Dr. H. T. Machell, returned a week or so ago after spending a delightful two weeks' holiday on a house boat in the Georgian Bay. Their hunting stories are not to be discounted, either.

It was a great pleasure to many to meet in Toronto last month Dr. George Gould, editor of the *Philadelphia Medical Journal*, and Dr. Foster, editor of the *New York Medical Journal*. Dr. Gould was the guest of Dr. Alex. McPhedran on College Street.

WE take great pleasure in congratulating Dr. F. N. G. Starr on his being requested to accept a position as joint secretary to the Canadian National Committee of the World's International Congress of Medicine, which takes place at Paris in August, 1900.

Dr. W. B. GEIKIE, of Maitland Street, returned on the 3rd ultimo, after a delightful holiday spent in Auld Reekie. The genial doctor looks the picture of good health. Dr. Geikie will, as we already announced, devote himself from this date to consultation work.

WE beg to announce that Dr. Alex. McPhedran offers his residence, No. 84 College Street for sale. This is an exceedingly commodious house, roomy, and built to suit, in every detail, a physician. Full particulars can be received, by telephone or letter, from the owner. Purchaser may move in as soon as Dr. McPhedran's new residence, on Bloor St. West, is ready for occupation.