

Edinburgh. Mr. Drake who now fills the office of Apothecary, is at present a student of Medicine, with the view of ultimately graduating in the University. He had been for many years, an active and able assistant in the important drug establishment of S. Jones Lyman & Co., of this city, where his opportunities of studying pharmacy were of the best description; and we have no doubt that the extensive pharmaceutic experience thence derived mainly swayed the Medical Board of the Hospital in especially recommending as it did the Governors in the selection of this gentleman for that important office. Both these appointments are unexceptionable in every respect.

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#### UNIVERSITY OF MCGILL COLLEGE.

On the eve of going to press, we expected to have been able to announce the day on which the "Convocation" would take place. On enquiry we find that this has not yet been definitely settled, but we think it not improbable that it will be on Friday May 4th. The number of Candidates for the degree of the University will this year be unusually large, no less than twenty-nine or thirty having given in their names for the final examination. Two have already passed this examination, on Saturday last, Messrs. Adolph Mignault, and H. H. Read, both with great credit. The latter is unable to take his degree at the ensuing convocation, in consequence of his nonage. He left on Monday for England, to visit until the following year, the principal places of medical repute in the old Country.

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#### OBITUARY NOTICE.

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##### WILLIAM HOLLINGSWORTH FOWLER, M. D.

It is with sincere regret that, whether as colleague or friend, we announce the decease, at the early age of 50 years, of the gentleman whose name heads this article. His disease was Spinal Myelites, contracted by exposure, while performing his duties, during tempestuous weather, about three months antecedent to the fatal issue, which prostrated him on a bed from which he never recovered. He was the son of Captain William Fowler of H. M. 4th Dragoons. He completed his medical studies at the Universities of Glasgow and Edinburgh graduating at the former in the year 1830, and shortly afterwards joined the Royal Navy as assistant Surgeon. In that capacity he visited almost every part of the world; the Cape of Good Hope, St. Helena, India, China, Australia New Zealand, and Canada, and various islands in the Indian and the Pacific Oceans. He was an early Licentiate of this Province, having at the time of his early visit as a naval officer here, taken advantage of his opportunity and was licensed to practice by the Quebec Board in April, 1829, his license bearing the signatures of E. N. Perrault, M.D., F. Blanchet, M.D., and Joseph Morrin, M.D. At this time this fact proves that he must have entertained the idea of permanently residing in the Province. He returned to England about the year