

Dr. Hamilton has been elected Laryngologist to the Montreal Dispensary, where he attends on Tuesdays and Thursdays at four o'clock.

Dr. Laphorn Smith has returned to the city after a five weeks vacation to the Pacific Coast, where he attended the Gynecological Section of the American Medical Association, of which he has been elected a member. He was one of a party of thirty physicians who were the guests of the President of the Association, Dr. Donald McLean of Detroit.

Dr. F. W. Campbell has returned from his annual vacation at the salmon fishing in New Brunswick, the doctor, as every one knows, being a past master of the art of landing the king of fish. Dr. Campbell is building one of the handsomest residences on Sherbrooke street at the corner of Crescent street, of red and white sandstone, which will be ready for occupation this winter. He will be missed from the classical regions about Beaver Hall and Phillips Square.

Dr. McPhail has been combining business with pleasure by going on a wedding tour to visit the principal hospital cities in Europe. He has recently returned after an absence of several months with increased knowledge and improved health.

Dr. Wilson, 2436 St Catherine street, Montreal, is the latest and most welcome addition to the corps of Montreal specialists. After having spent several years in New York under Dr. Phelps, the leading authority on this branch in America, Dr. Wilson has returned to Montreal, where there has long been a great need of an Orthopedic Surgeon. Dr. Wilson is working up a nice clinic at the Metropolitan Dispensary.

BOOK NOTICES.

TUMORS, INNOCENT AND MALIGNANT. Their clinical features and appropriate treatment.

By J. Bland Sutton, F.R.C.S., Assistant Surgeon to Middlessex Hospital, London. In one octavo volume of 526 pages with 250 engravings and 9 plates. Cloth \$4.50. Lea Bros. & Co., publishers, Philadelphia.

In his introductory remarks the author states that having been convinced eight years ago of the great increase in diagnostic power that results from the combination of pathologic and clinical knowledge, he began to collect materials from man and the animals in order to make himself acquainted with the histological peculiarities of tumors. He first took up the subject of cysts; then cancer, which he employs in a sense equivalent to malignant adenoma, the species being determined by the gland in which the cancer arises. He thinks that the terms scirrhous, colloid and medullary or encephaloid have dominated the minds of surgeons and hindered progress long enough. As in his

classical work on diseases of the ovaries and tubes he makes frequent use of his great knowledge of comparative pathology. He groups all tumors into four classes. 1. Connective tissue tumors; 2. Epithelial tumors; 3. Dermoids; 4. Cysts. Each group contains several genera; each genus has one or more species; of each species there may be one or more varieties.

Mr. Sutton then proceeds to deal with each variety of tumor, introducing such a knowledge of the pathology not only of man but also of animals as is very rare. He draws freely on the wealth of specimens in the Royal College of Surgeons, bringing before our notice many strange and interesting facts which have hitherto been buried there. Pathology is generally considered rather a dry subject, but this certainly cannot be said of Mr. Sutton's book, for he presents even the driest facts in such a delightfully interesting manner that one is loth to lay it down when once started to peruse it. It is if possible made still more interesting by the very large number of engravings and colored plates. We consider that Mr. Sutton has conferred a real good upon the profession by thus rendering a knowledge of tumors, innocent and malignant, more general. We predict for it a large sale, which it certainly deserves.

DES PEURS MALADIVES OU PHOBIES. Par le Dr. E. Gelinus, Paris. Société d'Éditions Scientifiques, 4 rue Antoine Dubois, 1893.

This is rather a remarkable book, dealing with dreads or fears of every kind. Although we do not remember having seen this subject before in print, every practitioner will recollect patients who had a morbid dread of being alone; of passing under a ladder; of dirt; of spermatorrhœa and so on. The author relates many interesting cases of this kind. The treatment of course consists of moral suasion.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE AMERICAN PEDIATRIC SOCIETY. Fifth session held at West Point, N. Y., 24th, 25th and 26th May, 1893. Edited by Floyd M. Crandall, M. D. Volume V. Printed by Bailey & Fairchild, 1893.

This volume contains a number of interesting papers, but perhaps the most so are the President's address by our own esteemed Dr. Blackader of Montreal, and a paper on the Transmission of Tuberculosis to the Fœtus from either parent, by the late Dr. John M. Keating of Colorado Springs. Both of these papers are of the greatest interest. Dr. Keating thinks that in many cases tuberculosis is a congenital disease, and cites many strong arguments in support of his view.