

This effectually closes their mouths, for the opinion of such men as undertook this examination is of a character to command public respect. A word however, with regard to the case itself, and we think we are justified in saying that the treatment of the vaccination pustule by placing a firm bandage around it was the cause of a good deal, if not all the subsequent local trouble, and was a practice reprehensible to the last degree. We do not care to at present follow this case further, as it would only show the folly of Dr. Roy, who, a baby in vaccination, jumped to the very silly conclusion which he did; the more especially as we hope next month be able to give a detailed account of the examination of the child.

Since the above was written we are informed that the trio are again on the war-path. Another fearful case is to the fore, and that they have actually secured the services of a microscopist. We are even told that *Cancer cells* have been discovered in the matter from the pustule. *When will this folly end.*

OPENING FOR A MEDICAL MAN.

We hear there is a good opening for a Medical man at Dewittville, near Huntingdon, Que.

SWALLOWING NEEDLES.

Prof. Kosinski, of Warsaw, mentions the case of a young lady, aged seventeen years, who said she had accidentally swallowed a packet of from twenty four to twenty-five needles, of which sixteen were taken out of various parts of the abdomen by a practitioner. The patient complained of great pain in the region of the navel, the bladder, and the rectum, and loss of blood from the bowels. Several needles were found in the integuments of the abdomen, and one in the rectum. The needles lay horizontally to the surface of the skin, with the eye upwards. The patient was made to confess she had inserted the needles herself.—*Philadelphia Medical Reporter.*

THE INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION OF PHOSPHORUS.

The difficulty of finding an appropriate vehicle for phosphorus in its medicinal uses has long been recognized. Balsam of tolu has lately been suggested for this purpose. Experiment has shown that four grains of phosphorus are perfectly dissolved by ninety-six grains of washed tolu, if melted together under water and well stirred.

The preparation so made, when examined microscopically, does not show any particles of undissolved phosphorus, and when seen in the dark, and rubbed between the fingers, it gives off a perfectly equally distributed light.

This preparation may, therefore, be formed into pills, with every confidence in the equal distribution and activity of the phosphorus.

PERSONAL.

In a recent number of the *Pacific Medical and Surgical Journal*, we notice an admirable article "on injuries to knee joints, with cases," by Dr. H. W. Nelson. Dr. Nelson is cousin to Dr. Wolfred Nelson of Montreal.

Dr. George E. Fenwick, Professor of Clinical Surgery, McGill University, and editor of the *Canada Medical and Surgical Journal*, sailed for Europe, by the Allan S. S. Canadian, on the 24th of July. He will be absent a couple of months. His health, which has been gradually improving, will, we hope be completely restored by the trip.

Dr. Francis W. Campbell, Professor of Physiology in Bishop's University, and editor of this journal, sails for Europe, by the Allan S. S. Polynesian, on the 29th of August. He will be absent about two months. Dr. Perrigo, will lecture for him till he returns.

Dr. Drake has tendered his resignation, as Professor of Physiology, in McGill University, which resignation his confreres have refused to accept. It is reported that Dr. Osler, (M.D., McGill, 1873), has been appointed Lecturer upon Physiology; and will thus relieve Professor Drake of a large portion of his work. We exceedingly regret the cause which has induced Dr. Drake to take this step,—viz: impaired health.

Dr. Rose (M.D., Bishop's College, 1874,) has settled at Chateauguay, State of New York.

Dr. Pentland, son of Charles Pentland of Quebec, has received a Poor Law appointment in London.

Professor Erichsen of University College London, arrived at Quebec on the 10th instant, on the Allan Mail S.S. Prussian. He visits several of his friends in Canada.

Dr. J. M. Toner, of Washington, President of the American Medical Association for last year, was in Montreal on the 11th, 12th, and 13th August, *en route* for home. We had the pleasure of a call from him, accompanied by Dr. Jackson of Mississippi.