

—At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Women's Medical College, Kingston, the following were appointed professors:—Obstetrics, Dr. M. Lavell; Surgery, Dr. M. Sullivan; Anatomy, Dr. C. Irwin; Materia Medica, Dr. A. S. Oliver; Practice of Medicine, Dr. H. Saunders; Medical Jurisprudence and Sanitary Science, Dr. T. M. Fenwick; Institutes of Medicine and Histology, Dr. W. H. Henderson. The college will be opened in October.

—In the crowded railway carriage. First traveler: "I say, do open that window there, or I'll suffocate!" Second traveler: "Don't you open that window there, or it'll give me an attack of pneumonia." First traveler: "That makes no difference! If you have pneumonia, you won't have it for a week, whereas if I am suffocated, I'll be suffocated now. Open that window there."

THE BLESSING OF QUININE.—The traveller here soon learns to duly appreciate the value of cinchona. Take away its alkaloid extract, quinine, and in less than two generations the low lands of Central America would relapse to barbarism; without this precious safeguard, steamship lines would never have been established here, nor would Northern engineers have been able to penetrate the tangled fastnesses of the dense woods, to survey routes for railroads. Hence medicine, in the discovery of the virtues of Peruvian bark, has contributed the most potent factor towards the advancement of civilization in these regions where nature so stoutly resists its progress. Humboldt, in his "Ansichten der Natur," shows that this discovery is wholly due to our profession; for instead of its being an aboriginal remedy, he found in his travels among the Andes that the Indians, when attacked with fever, could not be persuaded to take this Peruvian bark.—*Dr. L. C. Lane on Guatemala.*

Physicians' Account Books.—We received a short time since from W. Benj. Plow, at John Lovell & Sons, a set of two books specially prepared and ruled for the use of physicians. The one is a day book and the other a *resumé* of the whole, or ledger. We have made trial of them, and can strongly recommend them to others as being very convenient, and saving a wonderful amount of writing and trouble in the posting of their books, and preparing half-yearly accounts. They may be had for a small sum by applying to the above address.