

"An assembly wound up the entertainment, the chairman leading off with St. Vitus's Dance. After fortifying themselves with cork soles, chest protectors, warm plasters, respirators and jugs of hot gruel, each took his way and hurried home.

OBITUARY.

MR. SOUTHAM, F.R.C.S.

We regret to hear of the death of the well-known surgeon, Mr. George Southam, which occurred yesterday forenoon at his residence, at Pendleton. Mr. Southam had suffered a long time from disease of the heart, which prevented him, since May last from attending to professional engagements. Mr. Southam was born in Manchester, December 3rd, 1815, and received his medical Education in this city. He also studied at University College, London, and Paris. He was elected a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, England, in 1838, Fellow in 1853, and member of the Council in 1873. He was President of the Council of the British Medical Association from 1872 to 1875; and, until the time of his death, was one of the vice-presidents. Until his retirement recently, owing to ill health, he was senior surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, and also professor of surgery at Owens College. He was a Fellow of the Royal Medico-Chirurgical Society of London. Mr. Southam was the writer of able papers—including some on "Cancer and its Treatment"—in medical journals. His contributions were also included in the transactions of medical societies. In those of the Medico-Chirurgical Society are to be found his papers on "Elephantiasis," "Arterio-venous Aneurism of the Scalp," "Treatment of Aneurism by Pressure," and other surgical subjects. The life-long connection of Mr. Southam with this city and its medical institutions gave him a well-won place in public estimation, and the sense of his loss will be proportionately great.—*Manchester paper.*

We regret to have to announce the death of Dr. George Grenier, Editor of *L'Union Medicale du Canada*, published at Montreal, which took place on the 5th of June.

Sir William Wilde, the celebrated Irish oculist and aurist, died at Dublin, on the 19th of April, from an attack of bronchitis. He was an enthusiast in the particular portion of Surgical Science to which he devoted his life; he was also a noted antiquarian. His origin was an humble one, and he rose to the position he occupied from absolute merit.

Dr. John Erskine, formerly of Dunham, Q., but more lately of Ottawa, died in the latter city on the 28th of May, from phthisis. Dr. Erskine gave up active practice some few years ago owing to his failing health, but within the past year he again resumed it. Dr. Erskine was a graduate of McGill College, in fact was a member of the same graduating class (1860) as ourselves. He was a man of genial disposition, and was much esteemed.

SIR ASTLEY COOPER'S FEES.

The *Medical Press and Circular* gives the following extract from the diary of the late Mr. Mewburn:—"The following statement from the fee-book of Sir Astley Cooper is curious: "My receipt for the first year was £5 5s.; for the second, £26; the third, £64; the fourth, £96; the fifth, £100; the sixth, £200; the seventh, £400; the eighth, £610; the ninth, £1,100. In 1815 Sir Astley made £21,000!! A Mr. Hyatt, an ancient merchant gave him £1,000 on recovery under his care; and Mr. Coles of Mincing Lane, for a long course of time, gave him £600 every Christmas."

PERSONAL.

We regret to learn that Dr. Cline, the assistant Surgeon of the Montreal General Hospital, is ill with Typhoid Fever. So far we are glad to learn, the indications are, that the attack will prove a light one.

Dr. McMillan (M.D., McGill College, 1860), formerly of Rigaud, Que., has removed to Montreal, and commenced practice.

Dr. Fredrick J. Austin, of Sherbrooke, was at the May meeting of the Governors of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Lower Canada elected to fill the vacancy in the Governors from the district of St. Francis, caused by the death of the late Dr. Andrew W. Hamilton.

Dr. Majeau (M.D. Victoria) has commenced practice at Manchester, New Hampshire. U.S.

Dr. G. W. Campbell, Dean of McGill University Medical Faculty, arrived from Europe, by the Allan S. S. "Sarmatian," on the 22nd of May.

Dr. George Burnham, of Peterboro, Ont., and Dr. Donald Fraser of Shakspeare, Ont., received the membership of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, on the 13th and 19th April last, respectively.