

Personal.

Dr. O. W. Belton has been appointed Resident Physician to the London General Hospital.

At the Tait Dinner, in Hamilton, one of the toasts proposed was the memory of Dr. Hodder, the first ovariologist in Canada.

Dr. Sullivan, of Kingston, has been appointed an examiner under the Civil Service Acts of 1882 and 1883.

Miss Beatty, M.D., of Kingston, who graduated from Queen's College, has gone to labour at Indore, in connection with Presbyterian Church missions.

The death of Dr. J. Collis Browne is announced from London. He devised the well-known preparation "chlorodyne," from which he amassed great wealth.

It is rumoured that Dr. Molson, of Montreal, will shortly remove to Philadelphia. He will be much missed by his friends in Montreal, where he has been engaged in practice for a number of years.

The profession will shortly have the opportunity of reading the book which Dr. Campbell, of Seaforth, is bringing out. "The Land of Burns, and other Pen and Ink Portraits," will be issued in five or six weeks. The doctor is an enthusiastic Scotchman, and a graceful writer.

Mr. Lawson Tait reached Toronto September 6th, and was the guest of Dr. W. T. Aikins. On the evening of the 6th Mrs. Aikins gave a *reception* in honour of Mr. and Mrs. Tait, at which a large proportion of the Toronto physicians and their wives had the pleasure of meeting them.

The members of the Hamilton Medical Society entertained Mr. Tait at a dinner, Monday evening, September 8th. There were present most of the profession of Hamilton, Dr. Aikins, of Toronto, the Mayor and other leading citizens of Hamilton. The entertainment was very successful in every respect. In reply to the toast of "Our Guest," which was received with great enthusiasm, Mr. Tait gave a very happy speech, eulogizing Canada for its general prosperity, and the status of the profession in it. He expressed his gratitude for unbounded kindness towards him since he came into the country.

Miscellaneous.

"Steel, meat and wine" prepared by Sugden, Evans & Co. is meeting with great favour. The juice of fresh beef is used. The preparation is most palatable, and a capital tonic.

"Gentlemen," said the professor to his medical students in clinic, "I have often pointed out to you the remarkable tendency to consumption in those who play upon wind instruments. In this case before us we have a well marked development of lung disease, and I was not surprised to find upon questioning the patient that he was a member of a German brass band. Now, sir," continued the professor addressing the consumptive, "will you please tell the gentlemen what instrument you play on?" "I blays der drum," replied the sick man.—*Med. and Surg. Rep.*

SUICIDE OF THE LATE DR. J. J. WOODWARD.—It is known that the late Surgeon Woodward, U.S.A., was insane at the time of his death, and confined in a private asylum. There seems to be little doubt now that the unfortunate man met his death by his own hands. An account states that he had been under care for about four months, but at no time was violent or in any way troublesome. He generally preferred to be let alone, and evinced a delicacy in having any intrusion upon his privacy. Through of a strong and healthy physique, he imagined himself of a delicate constitution. He was as regular as clockwork in his habits, and among the best patients in the home. On Sunday morning he was passed on the stairway by one of the lady attendants, who saw him on the edge of the porch roof. A few minutes later, before anything could be done to rescue him, he threw himself off the roof backward, falling on the steps below, receiving injuries from which he died on the afternoon of the same day.—*N. Y. Record.*

It is not safe to practise without a diploma in Colorado. In a small town near Denver, Eli Madlong, practising as a physician, but without any diploma, prescribed some medicine for a patient who died, presumably from the effects of the prescription; whereupon, says the *Chicago Medical Review*, the indignant friends of the deceased hanged the venturesome practitioner by the neck until he was as dead as his unfortunate patient.