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He continued meanwhile with his regular attendance at the various society meetings and usually presented some pathological specimens a description of which found its way into print. The text of these was before the McGill student society on May 18<sup>th</sup> when he demonstrated the bone marrow of one of paracæmia and the traumatic development of generalised tuberculosis. Five days later his appointment abstracted by the disease

was announced; and he immediately left for abroad,

it was the end of the school year

Montreal General Hospital.

QUOTATIONS

CANADA MED. & SURG. JOURN., 1877-8, vi, p 575.  
Medical Items and News.

"MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL. - At the annual meeting of the Board of Governors of this Hospital, held on the 23rd of May, 1877 ultimo, at which the election of officers for the ensuing twelve months took place, the Secretary read a letter of resignation from Dr. J. M. Drake, one of the attending Physicians. On motion of Dr. G. W. Campbell, Dr. Drake was unanimously elected on the Consulting Staff of the Hospital. The vacancy in the Attending Medical Staff created by the resignation of Dr. Drake, was filled by the election to that responsible position of William Osler, M.D., L.R.C.P., London.

There was certain unusual things about this appointment. He had become identified as a laboratory worker in physiology and pathology, things to be sure were pronounced clinical interests and details as shown during his period in the French army. Like many other pathologists he was imbued with an appreciation of the usefulness of most drugs, which led later on to his being known as therapeutic nihilist. Fifty years ago one would <sup>his</sup> ~~two~~ <sup>training</sup> who held such views was far less likely than today to be regarded as a suitable candidate for clinical position. Moreover he had read some <sup>through</sup> ~~papers~~