

acting in accordance with what his conscience told him was right. It was not the first time he had been in a minority; and he lived to see several minorities to which he had belonged become eventually triumphant majorities; and he did not doubt that it would be so in this case also.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—The spring meeting will be held in the Museum at York, on Wednesday, May 10th, at 3 P.M. Gentlemen intending to read papers, are requested to communicate at once with ARTHUR JACKSON, Sheffield.—April 25th, 1882.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH.—The third general meeting of the present session will be held at the Bell Medical Library, Cleveland Road, Wolverhampton, on Thursday, May 26th, at 3 P.M.—VINCENT JACKSON, General Secretary, Wolverhampton.—April 24th, 1882.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH.—*Preliminary Notice.*—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held in the Committee Room of the Northampton General Infirmary, on Thursday, June 1st, at 2.30 P.M. Gentlemen who are desirous of reading papers, or of exhibiting pathological specimens, are requested to communicate at once with the Honorary Secretary.—G. F. KIRBY SMITH, Honorary Secretary, Northampton.—April 24th, 1882.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST SUSSEX DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this District will take place at the Infirmary, Worthing, on Wednesday, May 31st; Mr. W. J. Harris in the chair. Members intending to read papers, or bring forward subjects for discussion, are requested to send notice to G. B. COLLET, Honorary Secretary, 5, Steyne, Worthing.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SUSSEX DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this District will take place at the Castle Hotel, Wellington Square, Hastings, on Wednesday, May 24th, at 3.30 P.M.; Dr. Trollope, of St. Leonard's, in the chair. Dinner at 5.30 P.M.; charge six shillings, exclusive of wine. Any notice of intended communications should be sent at once to the Honorary Secretary.—T. JENNER VERRALL, Honorary Secretary, 95, Western Road, Brighton.—May 1st, 1882.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH.—An intermediate meeting will be held at Blackpool, on Wednesday, May 17th, and the annual meeting at Chester on Wednesday, June 28th. Gentlemen desiring to read papers at the Blackpool meeting are requested to send immediate notice to the Honorary Secretary, Dr. DAVIDSON, 2, Gambier Terrace, Liverpool.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH: SPRING MEETING.

THE spring meeting of this Branch was held at the Railway Hotel, Taunton, on Thursday, March 30th, at five o'clock. There were present twenty members and one visitor; G. W. RIGDEN, Esq., President, in the chair.

New Member.—Mr. F. G. Hayes, of Dunster, was elected a member of the Branch.

Representatives of the Branch.—The following were elected as representatives of the Branch in the General Council for the ensuing year 1882-83:—G. W. Rigden, Esq.; H. P. Olivey, Esq.; and W. M. Kelly, M.D., honorary secretary.

Homœopathic Practitioners, and their Relations with the Association.—A letter from the South-Western Branch, forwarding a copy of resolutions passed on this subject at their meeting on the 31st December last (see BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, p. 66), and requesting the attention of this Branch thereto, was read. After consideration, the meeting came to the conclusion that it was not desirable to take active steps in the matter.

Collective Investigation.—The Collective Investigation Committee of the Association having requested that a subcommittee of this Branch might be appointed to promote the work of collecting information in this district, the following gentlemen were elected to constitute a subcommittee accordingly:—H. J. Alford, M.D.; W. M. Kelly, M.D.; J. Meredith, M.D.; G. W. Rigden, Esq., and W. L. Winterbotham, Esq.

Petition.—A petition to the House of Commons in favour of the "Poor-law Officers' Superannuation (Ireland) Bill," prepared by the Parliamentary Bills Committee, was submitted and approved. The president and secretary signed it on behalf of the meeting.

Dinner.—The meeting adjourned for dinner at half-past five o'clock. At seven o'clock business was resumed, and, by a vote of the meeting, it was agreed that the communications should be taken before the question.

Communications.—The following were given by their several authors:—

1. Particulars of a case of Peritonitis from Rupture of an Ovarian

Cyst, and a preparation of the parts shown. By Mr. WILLIAM HENSMAN.

2. On Relief by Spontaneous Bleeding in Pneumonia. By Dr. MEREDITH.

3. On some cases of Tracheotomy. By the PRESIDENT.

4. On a case of Ulceration and Stricture of the Œsophagus. By Mr. W. L. WINTERBOTHAM.

Question as Proposed by the Council.—The question, of which notice had been given, viz., "What is your experience of the Complications and Sequelæ of Scarlet Fever?" was discussed, and many interesting experiences were related. A written answer from Dr. CORDWENT was read by the secretary.

The meeting broke up shortly before ten o'clock, a very pleasant and instructive evening having been spent.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: DORSET DISTRICT.

A MEETING was held on Wednesday, April 5th, at the Criterion Hotel, Bournemouth; Dr. J. ROBERTS THOMSON, President, in the chair.

Vote of Thanks.—A vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring President, R. P. SIMPSON, Esq., for his services during the past year.

Vote of Condolence.—It was proposed by Dr. W. V. LUSH, seconded by Mr. W. D. HUSBAND, and carried unanimously—"That the members of the Dorset District of the British Medical Association express their deep sense of the loss the Association has sustained by the decease of Mr. William Douglas Hemming, and desire to convey to Mrs. Hemming their sympathy in her sad bereavement."

New Member.—Mr. A. G. S. Mahomed, of Bournemouth, was elected a member of the district.

Proposed New Branch.—It was resolved unanimously: "That it is desirable to form a new Branch of the Association, to comprise the county of Dorset, part of Hampshire, and adjacent districts, to be called the Dorset and West Hants Branch." Provisional rules were agreed upon, and officers provisionally elected.

Collective Investigation Committee.—Mr. HUSBAND drew attention to the object of this committee, and it was resolved to form a subcommittee, for the purpose of affording assistance.

Papers.—The following papers were read:

1. Mr. BLAKE: The Removal by Incision through the Walls of the Chest of a Needle which had been swallowed six days previously.

2. Mr. DECIMUS CURME: Unusual Case of Strangulated Hernia.

3. Mr. GRAHAM: Case of Complicated Stricture.

4. A Case of Paresis after Acute Rheumatism was shown for Mr. PARKINSON.

Next Meeting.—It was decided that the next meeting should be held at Blandford.

Dinner.—The members dined together at the hotel.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

THE fifth ordinary meeting of the session was held at the Grand Pump Room Hotel, Bath, on Thursday, April 13th. In the unavoidable absence of the President (D. Davies, Esq.), ALEXANDER WAUGH, Esq., presided. There were also present twenty-six members.

New Members.—Messrs. Reader of Marshfield, Beaven of Avonmouth, Murray (M.B.) of Staple Hill, Fraser of Weston-super-Mare, and Stansfeld of Clifton, were duly elected members of the Association and of the Branch.

The Collective Investigation Committee.—The following members of this Branch were elected a local subcommittee to carry out the suggestions of the Committee. For Bath: Drs. Cole, Field, A. W. Fox, and Spender; Messrs. Fowler, F. Parsons, Scott, and Waugh. For Bristol: Drs. Long Fox, Harrison, Rossiter, Shingleton Smith, and E. Markham Skerritt; Messrs. D. Davies, Dobson, Harsant, and Greig Smith.

Papers.—The following were read:

1. Dr. A. W. FOX read an account of a case of Bilateral Paralysis of the Posterior Crico-Arytenoidei Muscles, with Microscopical Sections. Mr. J. S. Bartrum and Dr. Goodridge made some remarks.

2. Dr. COLE read a Case of Scrofulous Kidney, in relation to Nephrectomy.

3. Dr. GOODRIDGE narrated a case bearing on the same subject, which led to a discussion, in which Dr. Markham Skerritt, J. S. Bartrum, and Alexander Waugh took part; after which Dr. Goodridge replied.

4. Mr. RICHARDSON CROSS gave some Cases of Unusual Syphilitic Diseases of the Eye, on which Messrs. G. Thompson and F. Mason made some remarks.

the inmates of the one suffer from acute diseases, liable to sudden and unexpected changes, while the complaints of the other are chiefly chronic, where the alterations are usually slow, and such emergencies comparatively unfrequent. I believe I express the opinion of most specialists in lunacy when I say, that, the more closely the condition of a lunatic approximates to that of an idiot, the less is his detention in an asylum considered to be necessary.

I can suppose a case where a doctor of high mental gifts, cultivated by study, and capable of making "contributions to medical literature" which might prove instructive even to Mr. Fletcher Beach, should yet not be by nature qualified to attend to those petty details of management, on which the comfort and even the health of the inmates of such an institution depend so much more than on actual medical treatment. I can suppose that, under his charge, the management of the institution might degenerate. I can further conceive that the directors might see no means of arresting this deterioration but by placing the unhappy inmates under the constant superintendence of an anxious, careful lover of his real work, acting with the advice and under the superintendence of a visiting physician of intelligence and capacity. I can further conceive that the jealousy of some medical men (and specialists are peculiarly liable to suffer from jealousy) might be roused to consider this a slur on the profession, and a dangerous experiment. I can conceive, I say, all this; but I cannot conceive that the public, by whom such institutions are supported, should either sympathise with or endorse their protest. I can, however, conceive the subscribers being unscientific enough to believe that the *raison d'être* of such an institution was not so much to establish a field for scientific investigation, or to furnish material for "contributions to medical literature", as to promote the material comfort and the moral and mental improvement of the inmates; and, if they found a medical superintendent neglecting the latter that he might attend to the former, rebuking him with the words, "this ought you to have done, and not to have left the other undone."

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ALEX. WOOD.

Edinburgh, April 17th, 1882.

HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY MANAGEMENT.

THE DERBY COUNTY ASYLUM.

THE Derby County Asylum contained at the close of last year 430 patients; the admissions during 1881 having numbered 151. Of the patients admitted 21 were epileptics, and the total number of inmates of the asylum subject to epilepsy was thus raised to 86. Dr. Murray Lindsay points out that epileptic lunatics are frequently dangerous and troublesome, and that asylums in which they are numerous must contrast unfavourably as regards recoveries, deaths, and casualties with asylums in which they are but a small proportion of the population. Dr. Lindsay calls attention to what appears to be the increasing tendency on the part of relatives and parish authorities to make use of the county asylum, not so much as an hospital with a view to cure, as for the purpose of a refuge and place of detention, or sometimes even as a last resting place. In reply to questions put by the Asylum Medical Officers as to the reason for delay in sending patients to the asylum, the answers returned are often to the following effect: "We kept him at home as long as we could, till we could manage him no longer. We waited to see whether he would get better, but he got worse and so we cannot do with him now." "I kept her for two years, but I am out of work now and cannot afford to keep her any longer." Frequent applications continue to be made for the admission of private patients: these, however, cannot be met, as there is no separate accommodation for this class in the Derby County Asylum. These applications show that there is a want of suitable accommodation for lunatics of the lower middle class, whose friends are able and willing to pay a moderate sum for their maintenance, but cannot meet the charges of private asylums.

BROOKWOOD ASYLUM.

DR. BRUSHFIELD, who has just retired from the office of Medical Superintendent of the Surrey County Asylum at Brookwood, on a pension of £200 a year, is complimented by the Committee of Visiting Justices in their annual report on the state of efficiency in which he leaves the institution which he organised in the first instance, and which he has ably supervised for sixteen years. The asylum contained 1,028 patients on the 31st of December last, and 1,294 patients had been under treatment in its wards during 1881. Of these, 113 were discharged recovered and 88 died. For the first time in the history of the asylum, the deaths of females outnumbered those of males, 50

women having died and only 38 men. This is attributed to an unusually small proportion of deaths during 1881 from general paralysis, which is about three times more fatal to men than to women, and to the great age of many of the females admitted. On reviewing the mortality during his term of office, Dr. Brushfield finds that of 1,188 deaths 376 or 31.6 were due to general paralysis, and that of these 376 deaths attributable to general paralysis, 307 occurred in the male and 69 in the female department of the hospital. In connexion with this subject, Dr. Brushfield points out how futile and misleading comparison between the rates of mortality in different asylums must prove, unless allowance be made for the different degrees of prevalence of general paralysis in different districts of the country. This malady is invariably much more common in urban than in rural districts. Dr. Barton, the senior assistant medical officer at Brookwood, has been appointed to succeed Dr. Brushfield.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SURGERY.—The Board of Medical Studies have had under consideration what arrangements shall be made for carrying into effect the provision of the new University statute authorising the conferring of the degree of Bachelor of Surgery. They are of opinion that candidates for this degree should be required to produce certain certificates of study and pass an examination in surgery, in addition to what is already required for the degree of Bachelor of Medicine. Candidates to be admissible to the examination for Bachelor of Surgery at any time after they have passed the first part of the third examination for the M.B. degree. But, having regard to the circumstances that under the Medical Act a graduate in surgery can by registration become a legally qualified medical practitioner (although he may have given no proof of his knowledge of medicine), the board think that the degree should not be conferred until the candidate shall have also passed the second part of the third examination for the M.B. degree. The board, therefore, recommend that the examination for the degree of Bachelor of Surgery shall be held twice in each year, to which candidates qualified as above shall be admitted, each candidate to pay a fee of £2 2s. to the University chest and to produce certificates—1. Of having attended the surgical practice of a recognised hospital during two years at least, and of having acted as dresser or house-surgeon for six months; 2. Of having gone through a course of instruction in practical surgery. The subjects of the examination shall be—(1) Surgical operations and the application of surgical apparatus. (2) The examination of surgical patients. The examination shall be partly written, partly oral, and partly practical.

OBITUARY.

FIFE JAMIESON, M.A., M.B.

THE students of anatomy in Aberdeen who have just left their studies will receive a shock, on learning that one whom they saw in fair health at the end of the present winter session should have succumbed within a few weeks. Dr. Fife Jamieson had been ailing for several weeks before the close of the session, and, for two or three weeks, he had suffered from jaundice, which did not prevent him from finishing the work of the session, although anyone might have seen that it was only his strong determination which enabled him to conquer his physical weakness. At the close of the session, he went to Forres to recruit for the summer session, but feeling weaker, he resolved to return home on Saturday, April 15th; but he seems to have lost consciousness during the return journey; and it was only by chance that he was recognised and taken to his father's house in Old Aberdeen, where he died on April 18th. The immediate cause of death seems to have been acute yellow atrophy of the liver.

Dr. Jamieson was born in 1854, so that he was just twenty-eight years of age when he died; but within this brief period he had shown that he was capable of doing much good work, had he been spared. He took the degree of M.A. in Aberdeen in 1873, and for some time thereafter he held several important appointments as electrician in connection with the laying of various Atlantic cables. These duties he performed until 1875, when, owing to ill-health, he resolved to devote his attention to medicine. He began his medical studies in Aberdeen in 1876, and in 1880 he received his degrees in medicine and surgery with honourable distinction. For a year after graduating, he acted as house-

surgeon, when, on account of his aptitude for anatomical work, he was selected by Professor Struthers, in May 1880, to fill the post of senior demonstrator of anatomy. As a demonstrator, Dr. Jamieson was beloved by the students on account of his many sterling qualities, his great ability, his strict integrity, his painstaking method of imparting knowledge, and his gentle, amiable, and unassuming disposition. By all the good qualities that characterise a man, Dr. Jamieson obtained a firm hold on the affections of the students, and many of them who parted within a few short weeks ago will mourn his untimely end.

MEDICAL NEWS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—Admitted Licentiate, April 27th, 1882.

Booth, Edward Hargrave, Guy's Hospital, S.E.
Butler, William John, 168, Holland Road, W.
Cock, John, Guy's Hospital, S.E.
Daunt, Elliot, Ditchling, Hurstpierpoint.
Giles, Oswald, St. George's Hospital, S.W.
Hamilton, John Harry, 27, Hollywood Road, S.W.
Heelis, Robert, North Lonsdale Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness.
Hunt, Robert, Preston.
Jackson, John Charles, 51, Wellington Road, N.W.
Jones, Albert Edward, Egleyvsdan Vicarage, Pontypridd.
Karanjia, Merwanji Dhunjibhai, Surrey Lodge, Herne Hill, S.E.
Linney, William Wyckliffe, 83, Queen's Crescent, N.W.
Macnamara, Hugh Winckworth, Westminster Hospital, S.W.
Marras, Ernest Adrian, 3, Halsey Street, S.W.
Mudge, Thomas, 21, Claremont Square, N.
Muriel, Cecil Jeffery, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.
Nicholls, John Michael, Yeovil.
Owen, John Morgan, Fishguard, Pembroke.
Perks, Robert Howell, Guy's Hospital, S.E.
Petherick, Wallace, 16, Brompton Crescent, S.W.
Rushworth, Norman, 32, Bernard Street, W.C.
Scott, Alfred, 18, Lower Rock Gardens, Brighton.
Stokes, Lennard, Blackheath, S.E.
Stretton, John Lionel, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, E.C.
Sutton, John Bland, Middlesex Hospital, W.
Walker, Francis John, Spilsby.
Waller, Theodore Harry, 62, Guildford Street, W.C.

Admitted Members.

Batho, Robert, Plymouth.
Chattopadhyay, Aghorechunder, 89, Camden Street, N.W.
Hebb, Richard Grainger, M.D. Cambridge, 24, Hart Street, W.C.
Myers, Arthur Thomas, M.D. Cambridge, 12, Hereford Gardens, W.
White, William Henry, M.D. Dublin, 43, Weymouth Street, W.

The Murchison Scholarship was awarded to Charles F. Coxwell, M.B., of St. Thomas's Hospital. The essay of Sidney H. C. Martin, University, College was specially commended.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen passed their primary examinations in Anatomy and Physiology, at a meeting of the Board of Examiners, on the 27th ultimo, and when eligible will be admitted to the pass examination.

Messrs. George B. Hoffmeister, James E. Williams, Edwin Gill, John G. Wilson, Herbert Williams, and James J. W. Stevens, students of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; George Lewis Rugg, Charles G. Lermite, George A. F. Inman, and Lewis Way, of King's College; Thomas E. Dyson, Samuel H. Wilson, Thomas S. Lawry, and James H. L. Allott, of the Edinburgh School; George J. A. Tuke, Thomas W. Thomas, and George H. Hunter, of University College; Joseph G. Harsant, of Guy's Hospital; Richard Lake, of St. Thomas's Hospital; William E. Thomas, of the London Hospital; and John K. Frost, of the Middlesex Hospital.

Three candidates were rejected.

The following gentlemen passed on the 28th ultimo.

Messrs. Norman H. Walker, Edwin A. Chill, James Craig, James McLeod, and Richard Vassie, of the Edinburgh School; H. Victor Walker, Walter F. Moore, G. Palmerston Newbolt, and Sydney J. Palmer, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Thomas A. Helme, Francis W. H. Day, and Julius Schade, of University College; Charles E. Humphreys and William A. Wetwan, of the London Hospital; J. Pratt Brooks, and Arthur E. Parr, of King's College; Charles A. Lucas, of St. Thomas's Hospital; Herbert A. Kent, of St. George's Hospital; and Walter S. Thomson, of the Middlesex Hospital.

Five candidates were rejected, including two for six months.

The following gentlemen passed on the 1st instant.

Messrs. James H. Ferguson, Archibald Donald, Lloyd G. Smith, Henry S. Lloyd, and Chisholm Ross, of the Edinburgh School; Robert Wrigley, Samuel K. Alcock, Edward V. Brown, and Henry W. Gill, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Edward K. O'Connor, John B. Fowler, and Joseph R. Adie, of University College; Obadiah Johnson, Augustus F. Dimmock, and Robert L. Hildyard, of King's College; Robert J. Kirby, of Guy's Hospital; and Leonard Roberts, of St. Mary's Hospital.

Seven candidates were rejected.

The following gentlemen passed on the 2nd instant.

Messrs. Reginald Pollard, Thomas W. B. Burn, Frank E. Matthews, and Herbert W. Austin, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Allan Macfadyen, W. D. Brydone-Jack, and Theodore H. Barker, of the Edinburgh School; Wesley Curnock and Percy E. Jackson, of the London Hospital; Ernest E. Batt and Philip D. Turner, of University College; Lansdown M. Guilding, Henry G. Nicholson, and Edmund W. Paul, of the Middlesex Hospital; James Wilding and

Joseph T. Boyd, of the Westminster Hospital; George H. Johnson and Maughan Mercer-Adam, of St. George's Hospital; George Benty, of St. Thomas's Hospital; William K. Dale, of King's College; and Clarence E. L. Gilbert, of St. Mary's Hospital.

Three candidates were rejected.

The following gentlemen passed on the 3rd instant.

Messrs. Arthur Fuller, William L. Price, John S. Haldane, Gerrit Nienwoudt, and S. Brougham Burns, of the Edinburgh School; James H. Sellick, John H. Blight, Frank W. Langridge, and Samuel E. Pratt, of Guy's Hospital; Thomas H. R. Crowle, William T. Cocking, and William Lees, of University College; Norman H. Forbes, Charles E. Dumbleton, B.A. Cantab., and Edmund J. Penny, of the Middlesex Hospital; William H. Candell, of St. Mary's Hospital; Percy G. Lewis, of King's College; Ernest C. Freeman, of St. Thomas's Hospital; and Raymond Courteen, of the Westminster Hospital.

Five candidates were rejected.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their Examination in the Science and Practice of Medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, April 27th, 1882.

Blampied, John William, Jersey.
Brown, Richard, Blaydon-on-Tyne.
Hart, Herbert Wheatley, 77, Upper Richmond Road, Putney.
Smith, William Arthur Winwood, Kensington Gardens Square, W.

The following gentlemen also on the same day passed their Primary Professional Examination.

Bean, William Henry, Charing Cross Hospital.
Carvell, John M., London Hospital.
Doyné, Robert W., St. George's Hospital.
Holdsworth, William, Leeds Hospital.
Peskett, Alfred F., London Hospital.
Pittard, Marmaduke, Charing Cross Hospital.

At the Preliminary Examination in Arts, held at the Hall of the Society, on the 20th and 21st of April, 1882, one hundred and thirty-four candidates presented themselves, of whom sixty-two were rejected, and the following seventy-two passed and received certificates of proficiency in general education.

In the First Class in order of merit.

R. M. M. Hicks-Beach, and J. G. Carter.

In the Second Class, in alphabetical order.

A. E. Barlow, N. D. Best, W. G. Beyts, S. Bingham, E. H. Blake, R. T. H. Bodilly, R. J. Braye, H. E. D. Brockman, R. P. Brooks, Charles Brown, Edgar Cane, Wm. H. Charles, H. Cockerton, T. S. Coghlan, H. A. Debenham, J. Dellewy, H. B. Densham, R. W. Dickinson, R. J. Douglas, C. A. Duckett, W. R. Duncker, Edw. Price Furber, J. A. W. Gentles, F. Gilpin, A. E. Gresham, G. P. V. Grey, H. O. W. Harris, C. Williams Hayward, G. L. Hill, R. Hitchings, A. H. Hoffman, C. W. Hogarth, N. R. House, H. Ingle, W. M. M. Jackson, C. Henry James, J. F. W. Jewel, W. H. Lewis, F. H. Lowe, W. A. Loxton, W. L. Mathias, H. Meggett, E. W. Morris, J. Naylor, F. A. W. Nicholas, J. Nixon, A. H. Nott, C. P. O'Connor, G. S. Olivey, T. E. Pallett, C. O. Parsons, E. F. Pratt, H. N. Pullan, W. G. Reilly, E. S. Robinson, L. Salter, H. F. S. Sandifer, R. Shannon, E. C. Stabb, W. E. Sturge-Jones, A. M. Sturges, R. F. Thomas, S. A. Tidy, F. W. Toms, A. H. Vernon, A. H. Ward, J. K. Warry, A. F. Wilson, J. A. Wood, and G. C. W. Wright.

The following were also approved in Elementary Mechanics.

R. P. Brooks, J. C. Carter, W. R. Duncker, C. W. Hayward, A. H. Vernon, J. K. Warry, and Ralph Hodgson.

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.—The following degrees were conferred on April 21st.

Degree of M.D.—Thomas Nicholas German Te Water (B.A. Cape of Good Hope), M.B. and C.M., 1879.

Degrees of M.B. and C.M.—John Macpherson, Scotland; David R. Dobie, Scotland.

Degree of C.M.—Archibald C. Munro, M.B., Scotland.

Degree of Doctor of Science in the Department of Public Health.—Robert C. Smith, M.D., B.Sc.

Degree of Bachelor of Science in the Department of Natural Sciences.—Frederick W. Reid, M.B.

Degree of Bachelor of Science in the Department of Public Health.—D. M. Cassidy, M.D.; Robert Moodie, M.D.; A. C. Munro, M.B.; Henry Welch, M.B.; C. H. Willey, M.B.

UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREW'S.—The following practitioners, having passed the required examination, received the degree of Doctor of Medicine on April 22nd.

Bowles, Robert Leamon, M.D., Folkestone.
Gover, Robert Mundy, M.R.C.P., London.
Jacques, Edwin, M.R.C.S., London.
Jenner, William, M.R.C.S., Baldock.
Johnson, Thomas S., M.R.C.S., Canterbury.
Masters, William H., M.R.C.S., Thrapstone.
Moffat, Robert M., M.B., Manchester.
Roberts, Griffith W., L.R.C.P. Ed., Denbigh.
Sutton, Henry G., M.R.C.S. Eng., Sittingbourne.
Woodman, John, F.R.C.S. Eng., Exeter.
Wynne, John Kendrick, M.R.C.S. Eng., Eccleshell.

At the same time, the following gentlemen had the degree of M.B. and C.M. conferred on them after examination.

Bowie, Alexander, L.R.C.P. & S. Ed., Edinburgh.
Redpath, Robert K. W., L.R.C.P. & S. Ed., Edinburgh.

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN.—At the late Medical Graduation term, the following candidates, after the usual examinations, received degrees in Medicine and Surgery.

Degree of M.D.—George Ackroyd, M.B., C.M., Streatham; Arthur G. Blomfield, M.B., Exeter; Alexander Boswell, M.B., Ashbourne; Peter Burgess, M.B., C.M., Ballindalloch; Colin M'Iver Campbell, M.B., C.M., Durham; Rashell T. Davison, M.B., Battle; John Davy, M.B., C.M., Halifax; Frederic H. Elliott, M.B., C.M., Andover; John G. Hall, M.B., C.M., Aberdeen; John Harris, M.B., C.M., Newcastle, New South Wales; Coll R. Macdonald, M.B., C.M., Beith, Ayrshire; William Macdonald, M.B., C.M., Inverness; Satish Chandra Mukhopadhyay, M.B., C.M., Calcutta; Arthur Purkiss, M.B., C.M., London; John Thomson, M.B., C.M., Kendal; William E. Webb, M.B., C.M., Burnley.

Degrees of M.B. and C.M.—John Barrett, P. and O. Service; James Bremner, Grange, Keith; John W. Collie, Aberdeen; Robert J. Collie, Aberdeen; Alexander Cran, Cabrach, Banffshire; Arthur W. Eddis, Aberdeen; Thomas W. Griffith, Aberdeen; David Henderson, Watten; Joseph W. Hodgson, Brighton; William R. Holmes, Aberdeen; John Jenkyns, Aberdeen; George D. Knight, Skene; James A. Macdonell, Duftown; Alfred A. Mackie, Aberdeen; Charles M. Maxwell, Hobart, Tasmania; Alexander McLean, M.A., Coull, Aberdeenshire; James Middleton, Auchindoir; James R. Nicoll, M.A., Rhynie; Henry A. Phillips, London; John M. Rattray, M.A., Aberdeen; John Reid, M.A., Portsoy; Charles S. A. Rigby, Preston; William P. Ross, M.A., Aberdeen; Carrapiet J. Sarkies, Calcutta; William Sinclair, Nigg; John Taylor, Stonehaven; Thomas P. Thomson, Gartly; John Walker, St. Vincent, West Indies; Richard R. Weir, Elgin; James Wilson, M.A., Rhynie; John H. Wilson, Warwick; Martensz James Wright, Colombo.

Of the above-named candidates, T. W. Griffith and G. D. Knight received their Degrees in Medicine and Surgery with highest Academic Honours; and James Bremner, Alexander Cran, John Taylor, and James Wilson, M.A., received their Degrees in Medicine and Surgery with Honourable Distinction.

The John Murray Medal and Scholarship was awarded to T. W. Griffith as the most distinguished graduate of his year.

At the same time, Henry H. Brown, Francis J. Hudson, John T. W. Leslie, David R. McKinnon, and Arthur Rennie, were certified as having passed all the examinations, but did not graduate.

The following candidates passed the First Division of the First Professional Examination.

Frank H. Cantlie, James F. Craig, George B. Currie, David A. F. Kydd, Henry G. Laskey, Robert H. Mackay, James C. Mackintosh, John Maclean, Alexander S. Manson, James Murray, William G. Stott, Andrew Whyte.

The following candidates completed the First Professional Examination.

Henry M'K. Adamson, Joseph Anderson, Christopher G. Battiscombe, Robert M. Beaton, Charles G. Bennett, Francis A. Bennet, Andrew H. Cowan, Alexander M. Cowie, William C. Crowe, Henry M. C. Dalton, George Duffus, Alexander G. Duguid, Walter A. Elmslie, Henry Gibbons, John Gordon, Alexander Gregory, James D. Hendry, John W. Hutcheon, Arthur S. Inglis, Louis Joseph, Stuart Macdonald, Frank I. Mackintosh, Alexander L. Mather, George Milne, James Mitchell, Arthur A. Morrison, Alexander Murchison, David Prain, Robert D. Presslie, Alexander Reid, Alexander Rennie, James A. Ross, James Savage, William B. Skinner, John H. Stenhouse, Herman Thiele, Leslie F. Walker, John E. Webb, Arthur M. Whitehead.

The following candidates passed the Second Professional Examination.

John H. Anderson, Walter H. Atherstone, Albert H. Barrett, George Buchan, Charles A. Butchart, Arthur G. Cunningham, George F. A. Da Costa, James M'K. Davidson, Charles A. Faulkner, John Gerard, John Gordon, Andrew Grant, John W. Harrison, Andrew Hosie, David Ireland, Charles Jeffrey, George Johnston, Thomas M. Johnstone, John B. Kerr, John M'Combie, James F. Macdonald, Cyril J. Mansfield, John Matheson, Grenville E. Moffet, John D. Moir, Arthur A. Morrison, David Petty, David Prain, John M. Rattray, James R. Reid, Richard Rees, James T. Robb, William L. Ruxton, William Scott, Alexander G. Smith, Arthur G. Smith, James L. Smith, William A. Stewart, George C. Still, John Turner, George Vincent, John Walker, John K. Will.

The next Professional Examination for Degrees in Medicine commences on Saturday, July 22nd, 1882.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following vacancies are announced:—

ALNWICK INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by May 6th.

BRISTOL FORESTERS' DISPENSARY.—Qualified Medical Practitioner. Salary, £120 per annum. Applications to E. L. Burgess, 34, Horfield Road, Kingsdown, Bristol, by the 29th instant.

CHARING CROSS HOSPITAL, West Strand, W.C.—Assistant Surgeon. Applications by 15th May.

CITY OF LONDON LUNATIC ASYLUM, Stone, near Dartford, Kent.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum. Applications by the 17th instant.

COTTAGE HOSPITAL, Scotland.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £30 per annum. Applications to No. 161A, BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL Office, 161A, Strand.

DURHAM COUNTY ASYLUM, Sedgfield, Ferryhill.—Junior Assistant Medical Officer and Pathologist. Applications to Dr. Smith.

EBBW VALE WORKS.—Surgeon to attend the workmen and their families. Applications to Mr. W. Dayson, Ebbw Vale Works, Mon.

ENNIS UNION.—Second Medical Officer and Apothecary to the Workhouse, at a salary of £75 per annum.

ESTATE OF NORTH UIST.—Medical Officer, with two other appointments. Salaries, Estate £100, Parochial £65, £21, £20. Applications, etc., to J. McDonald, Esq., Newton, Lochmaddy, Inverness-shire.

EVELINA HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Southwark Bridge Road, S.E.—Registrar and Chloroformist. Salary, £30 per annum. Applications by the 15th May.

GORT UNION.—Medical Officer for Ardahan Dispensary District. Salary, £140 per annum, with £10 per annum as Medical Officer of Health, registration and vaccination fees. Election on the 12th instant.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAY SERVICE, at the Cape of Good Hope.—Medical Officer. Salary, £25 a month. Applications by May 17th.

HANTS COUNTY HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by May 6th.

HARTLEPOOL UNION.—Medical Officer for the District. Salary, £50 per annum. Applications to the Clerk by May 17th.

HARTLEPOOL UNION.—Medical Officer for the Workhouse. Salary, £65 per annum. Applications to the Clerk by May 17th.

LANCASTER INFIRMARY.—Dispenser and General Assistant. Salary, £80 per annum. Applications by May 15th.

MEDICAL MISSION TO CENTRAL AFRICA—Fully qualified Practitioner, Salary, £200 per annum. Applications to M. Smale, Esq., Secretary, G. S. L. 89, Seymour Street, Connaught Square, W.

PARISHES OF GLENLIVET AND KIRKMICHAEL.—Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications to Mr. J. Hay, Inspector of Poor, Inveraven, Ballindulloch, by the 15th instant.

PORTSMOUTH LUNATIC ASYLUM.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum. Applications by the 8th instant.

ROTHERHAM HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Applications to John Barras, Honorary Secretary.

ROYAL HANTS COUNTY HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by May 6th.

ROYAL SOUTH LONDON OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, St. George's Circus, Southwark.—Clinical Assistant, three days per week. Salary, £25 per annum. Applications by May 6th.

SOUTH YORKSHIRE COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM, Wadsley, near Sheffield.—Third Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications to Dr. Mitchell by the 8th May.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL.—Physician. Applications by the 11th May.

ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL.—Assistant-Physician. Applications by the 11th May.

TORBAY HOSPITAL AND PROVIDENT DISPENSARY, Torquay.—Junior House-Surgeon and Dispenser. Salary, £90 per annum. Applications by May 22nd.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, W.C.—Jodrell Professorship of Zoology. Salary, £288 per annum. Applications by the 8th May.

VICTORIA DOCK DISTRICT DISPENSARY.—Assistant Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £150 per annum. Applications to Mr. J. Phillips, Boyd Institute, Victoria Docks, E.

WEST DERBY UNION.—Two Resident Medical Officers for the Workhouse, Walton-on-the-Hill. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by May 16th.

WEST DERBY UNION.—Two Resident Medical Officers for the Workhouse for Sick Poor at Mill Road, Everton. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by the 16th instant.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road, W.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 per annum. Applications by May 6th.

WEST RIDING LUNATIC ASYLUM, Wakefield.—Resident Clinical Assistant. Applications to Dr. Herbert Major, Medical Superintendent.

WILTS COUNTY ASYLUM.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum. Applications by 17th May.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

BENSON, E. W., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant House-Surgeon to King's College Hospital.

BOOBYER, P., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Accoucheur to King's College Hospital.

CONNER, William, L.R.C.S.I., L.R.C.P.Ed., appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator to the Ardleigh and Great Bromly District, Tending Union, and Medical Attendant to the Brunswick House Asylum, Mistley branch to County Asylum, *vice* J. W. Cook, M.D., resigned.

CROOKSHANK, E. M., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Surgeon to King's College Hospital.

GREEN, H., M.R.C.S., appointed Resident Surgeon to the Birmingham General Dispensary, *vice* A. O. Holbeche, resigned.

HYNES, W. H., M.D., appointed Second Medical Officer and Apothecary to the Ennis Union, *vice* Michael Greene, M.D., deceased.

McKINNON, David R., M.B., C.M., appointed House-Physician to the Aberdeen Infirmary and Dispensary.

McGREGOR, A., M.B., appointed Physician to the Aberdeen Dispensary.

MILLAR, A., M.B., appointed Junior Assistant Medical Officer to the Warwick County Lunatic Asylum, *vice* T. F. Tannahill, M.B., resigned.

OAKSHOTT, J. A., M.D., C.M., appointed Assistant Resident Medical Superintendent to the Cork District Lunatic Asylum, *vice* L. J. N. Tanner, L.R.C.S. & P. Edin.

POLLARD, J., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Surgeon to King's College Hospital.

RABBETH, S., L.S.A., appointed House-Physician to King's College Hospital.

SINCLAIR, William, M.B., C.M., appointed House-Surgeon to the Aberdeen Infirmary and Dispensary.

SMITH, W. B., F.R.C.S., late Honorary Surgeon to the Stockton-on-Tees Hospital, appointed Deputy Medical Superintendent to the Ararat Asylum, Victoria.

STEVENS, B. H. L., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant House-Accoucheur to King's College Hospital.

STEWART, James, L.R.C.P.Ed., L.F.P.S. Glas., and L.M., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Scarborough Friendly Societies' Association, *vice* Parker Smith, M.D., resigned.

THOMSON, S. C., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant House-Physician to King's College Hospital.

WALSH, J. H. T., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Surgeon to the Westminster Hospital.

WARREN, Thomas, M.R.C.S.Eng., appointed Medical Officer of Health for the Aylesbury Rural Sanitary District.

WATTS, E. C., M.R.C.S., appointed Medical Officer to the Wolverhampton Union Workhouse.

WINDLE, Bertram C. A., A.B., M.B., appointed Surgical Registrar to the Adelaide Hospital, Dublin.
 WOAKES, Edward, M.D., appointed Senior Aural Surgeon to the London Hospital.
 WORTS, E., M.R.C.S., appointed Member of Surgical Staff to the Essex and Colchester General Hospital, *vice* R. S. Nunn, M.R.C.S., deceased.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 3s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps with the announcements.

MARRIAGES.

MICKLE—ESMOND.—On December 6th, at Northcote, Papanui, Christchurch, New Zealand, by the Rev. T. R. Cairns, M.A., Adam Frederick John Mickle, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.S.E., third son of Dr. Mickle, of Kirklington, Ripon, to Abigail Meredith Esmond, third daughter of Thomas Esmond, Esq., late of Montrose, Scotland.

Savage—Sutton.—On the 3rd instant, at St. Mary's Kippington, Dr. Savage, Bethlem Hospital, to Adelaide Mary, eldest surviving daughter of Dr. Sutton, of Finsbury Square and Sevenoaks.

Twining—Hounsham.—On the 27th instant, at St. Philip's, Dalston, by the Rev. F. Cox, M.A., assisted by the Rev. J. H. Twining, B.A., brother of the bridegroom, Alfred Hughes Twining, M.R.C.S., Salcombe, South Devon, fifth son of Edward Twining, Esq., M.R.C.S., The Chesnuts, Walthamstow, to Georgiana Edith, third daughter of the late J. B. Hounsham, Esq., of Ipswich.

The University of Edinburgh has conferred the degree of Bachelor of Science on Dr. Robert Moodie, one of the medical officers attached to Sir Frederick Roberts's command to the Kurrum Valley, and the author of an essay "On the Outbreak of Scurvy in the Kurrum Valley Field Force," for which the University recently awarded him a gold medal.

PRESENTATION.—On May 1st a presentation was made to Dr. Savage, Medical Superintendent of Bethlem Royal Hospital, by the attendants and servants of the institution on the occasion of his marriage. This consisted of a very handsome dining-room clock and sidepieces, a drawing-room clock of copper with sidepieces of the same, besides two brass grondeles and other ornaments.

LIFE-SAVING APPARATUS.—The prize of one hundred guineas for the best means of saving life in cases of shipwreck, offered in connection with the late naval exhibition at the Agricultural Hall, has been awarded to Mr. R. Roper for his "bridge raft," as affording the readiest means of saving, in case of shipwreck, a large number of persons and supporting them above water for a lengthened period. The fifty guinea prize has been awarded to Messrs. J. and A. W. Burt, for their contrivances of cork mattresses, cushions, etc., for supporting persons under water until assistance arrives.

HEALTH OF FOREIGN CITIES.—The following facts and figures, derived from a table in the Registrar-General's last weekly return, afford trustworthy indications of the recent health and sanitary condition of various foreign and colonial cities. According to the most recently received official week's returns, the annual death-rate averaged 29.5 in the three principal Indian cities, and was equal to 27.2 in Calcutta, 25.0 in Bombay, and 34.6 in Madras; cholera caused 33 deaths in Calcutta and 21 in Madras, measles 42 in Bombay, and small-pox 10 in Madras. No returns have been received from Alexandria since the end of March. In twenty-one European cities, the death-rate averaged 32.7, and exceeded by no less than 11 per 1000 the average rate prevailing last week in the twenty-eight large English towns. The death-rate in St. Petersburg further rose to 62.8; the 806 deaths included 55 from typhus and typhoid fevers, and 27 from scarlet fever. In three other northern cities—Copenhagen, Stockholm, and Christiania—the death-rate averaged 27.6; measles caused 10 more deaths in Copenhagen, and 3 deaths from diphtheria occurred in Stockholm. The death-rate in Paris further rose to 31.3, and the 1341 deaths included 69 from diphtheria and croup, 44 from typhoid fever, and 19 from small-pox. The Brussels death-rate also increased to 26.7, whooping-cough and measles showing greater fatality. The rate in Geneva declined to 21.8. In the three principal Dutch cities, the death-rate averaged 26.7; measles caused 9 deaths in Amsterdam. The Registrar-General's table includes returns from nine German and Austrian cities, in which the death-rate averaged 31.3, ranging from 24.4 and 28.2 in Berlin and Hamburg, to 38.7 and 40.0 in Vienna and Buda-Pesth. Small-pox caused 28 more deaths in Vienna, 3 in Buda-Pesth, and 2 in Prague; diphtheria showed fatal prevalence in Berlin and Dresden. The death-rate was equal to 27.7 in Turin and 26.6 in Venice; the 128 deaths in Turin included 6 from measles and 5 from diphtheria. No recent returns have been received either from Rome or Naples. The annual death-rate in four of the largest American cities averaged 29.0, and ranged from 23.6 in Baltimore to 36.5 in New York. Small-pox caused 12 deaths in New York and 11 in Philadelphia; and scarlet fever showed fatal prevalence in New York and Brooklyn. Measles also caused 44 deaths in New York, and typhoid fever 16 in Philadelphia.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY..... Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal Orthopædic, 2 P.M.
 TUESDAY..... Guy's, 1.30 P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—West London, 3 P.M.—St. Mark's, 9 A.M.—Cancer Hospital, Brompton, 2 P.M.
 WEDNESDAY... St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Mary's, 1.30 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children, 2.30 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Peter's, 2 P.M.—National Orthopædic, 10 A.M.
 THURSDAY.... St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 P.M.—Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Hospital for Women, 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—North-west London, 2.30 P.M.
 FRIDAY..... King's College, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.—Royal South London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.—Guy's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department), 2 P.M.—East London Hospital for Children, 2 P.M.
 SATURDAY.... St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—Royal Free, 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.

HOURS OF ATTENDANCE AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

CHARING CROSS.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th.; Dental, M. W. F., 9.30.
 GUY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, exc. Tu., 1.30; Obstetric, M. W. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 1.30; Tu. F., 12.30; Ear, Tu. F., 12.30; Skin, Tu., 12.30; Dental, Tu. Th. F., 12.
 KING'S COLLEGE.—Medical, daily, 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p., M. W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th., 1; Ophthalmic Department, W., 1; Ear, Th., 2; Skin, Th.; Throat, Th., 3; Dental, Tu. F., 10.
 LONDON.—Medical, daily exc. S., 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30 and 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 1.30; o.p., W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 9; Ear, S., 9.30; Skin, W., 9; Dental Tu., 9.
 MIDDLESEX.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; o.p., W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 8.30; Ear and Throat, Tu., 9; Skin, F., 4; Dental, daily, 9.
 ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p., W. S., 9; Eye, Tu. W. Th. S., 2; Ear, M., 2.30; Skin, F., 1.30; Larynx, W., 11.30; Orthopædic, F., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 9.
 ST. GEORGE'S.—Medical and Surgical, M. Tu. F. S., 1; Obstetric, Tu. S., 1; o.p., Th., 2; Eye, W. S., 2; Ear, Tu., 2; Skin, Th., 1; Throat, M., 2; Orthopædic, W., 2; Dental, Tu. S., 9; Th., 1.
 ST. MARY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.45; Obstetric, Tu. F., 9.30; o.p., Tu. F., 2; Eye, Tu. F., 9.15; Ear, M. Th., 2; Skin, Tu. Th., 1.30; Throat, M. Th., 1.45; Dental, W. S., 9.30.
 ST. THOMAS'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 2; o.p., W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; o.p., daily, except Sat., 1.30; Ear, Tu., 12.30; Skin, Th., 12.30; Throat, Tu., 12.30; Children, S., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 10.
 UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1 to 2; Obstetric, M. Tu. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Tu. Th. F., 2; Ear, S., 1.30; Skin, W., 1.45; S., 9.15 Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.30.
 WESTMINSTER.—Medical and Surgical daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. F., 3; Eye, M. Th., 2.30; Ear, Tu. F., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

TUESDAY.—Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Makuna: On the Ectrotic Treatment of Variolæ in Small-Pox. Mr. W. J. Tivy (Clifton): On Double Inguinal Hernia treated by Wood's Radical Cure.

THURSDAY.—Ophthalmological Society of the United Kingdom, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Brailey: 1. Microscopical specimens from Mr. Mason's Sclero-corneal Tumour; 2. Specimen of Disease of Optic Nerve in Retinal Detachment. Mr. Snell: Case of Sympathetic Ophthalmitis following Enucleation. Mr. Adams Frost: Case of Sympathetic Ophthalmitis following Enucleation. Mr. Anderson Critchett: Case of Bony Tumour of Conjunctiva. Mr. Oglesby: Miners' Nystagmus. Mr. Swanzy: 1. Detachment of Vitreous Tumour causing Blindness; 2. Case of Primary Tubercle of Iris. Mr. Mules: Case of Tubercular Inflammation of Eyeball. Mr. Adams Frost: Case of Intraocular Hæmorrhage after External Injury of Eye. Mr. Lang and Dr. W. A. Fitzgerald: 1. The Movements of the Eyelids in relation to the Movements of the Eyes; 2. Case of Homonymous Insular Scotomata. Mr. C. E. Fitzgerald: Ophthalmological Notes. Mr. Juler: A Refraction Ophthalmoscope (card). Mr. A. H. Benson: Extreme Tortuosity of Retinal Vessels without Disease (card). Living specimens, 8 P.M. Dr. Sansom: Exophthalmos without Thyroid or Cardiac Symptoms. Mr. McHardy: 1. Case of Transportation of Skin two months after Operation; Case of Black Cataract. Mr. Mackinlay: Case of Teale's Operation for Symblepharon.—Harveian Society of London, 8 P.M. Dr. John Williams: A Fatal Case of Ophorectomy. Mr. Noble Smith: The Treatment of Caries of the Vertebra.

CORRESPONDENTS are particularly requested by the Editor to observe that communications relating to advertisements, changes of address, and other business matters, should be addressed to the Manager, at the Journal Office, 161A, Strand, London, and not to the Editor.

THE DUBLIN COLLEGES AND THE TITLE OF DOCTOR.

SIR,—I would be much obliged by your letting me know if I am entitled to put "Doctor" before my name (on visiting cards, etc.), being a L.R.C.S.I. and L.K.Q.C.P.I.—Yours faithfully, E. R. MULOCK, Surgeon R.N.

* * The following is a copy of the official reply of the King and Queen's College of Physicians to all questions similar to that made by our correspondent:

"College Hall, Kildare Street, Dublin. Sir,—In reply to your queries, I beg to inform you that, in the opinion of the College, a licentiate is not entitled, legally, to call himself 'Doctor,' or to use the letters 'M.D.' in virtue of being a licentiate of this College.—I am, sir, your obedient servant, J. MAGEE FINNY, M.D., Fellow and Registrar."

CONVALESCENT HOMES FOR SCARLET FEVER.

SIR,—May I be allowed to point out that, in his remarks on the above subject in the JOURNAL of April 22nd, Mr. Hume has gone somewhat wide of the mark? In London, at any rate, the "wants of the poorer classes" in respect of hospital accommodation for "fever" patients, are already fairly well provided for; and the "child of a working man," to whose case Mr. Hume refers, might have been removed to hospital, and probably would have been, had the illness been reported to the district medical officer of health. What is wanted is, a workable system of "notification of infectious diseases," backed by increased powers of compulsory removal to hospital, where the patient cannot be properly isolated at home. Had Mr. Hume's first patient been removed to hospital, prompt disinfection might have preserved the others from attack; but there is nothing in his communication to indicate that the illness has ever come to the knowledge of the sanitary authority. In any event, however, I take it that "convalescent homes" are not intended for such cases as the above; and, therefore, Mr. Hume's illustration is scarcely *à propos*.—I am, sir, yours faithfully, T. ORME DUDFIELD, M.D.

Town Hall, Kensington, April 22nd, 1882.

NEPHROTOMY AND NEPHRECTOMY.

SIR,—Permit me to correct an error which occurs in your report of some remarks I made upon this subject at the recent meeting of the Clinical Society. I am described as "struck with the extreme harmlessness of nephrectomy and nephrotomy." This is very far from true. The report would have correctly described my meaning if it had read, "the extreme harmlessness of nephrotomy as compared with nephrectomy." I ventured to point out the unnecessary risk entailed in subjecting a patient to so severe an operation as excision of the kidney, without previously giving the chance of recovery by such a comparatively harmless procedure as incision into the diseased organ.—Yours faithfully, F. A. MAHOMED.

CONSULTATIONS WITH HOMOEOPATHS.

SIR,—Can you allow me a small space in your valuable JOURNAL to ask a question concerning consultations with medical men practising homoeopathy? In the JOURNAL of April 22nd (page 597), it is stated that "Dr. Rees Philipps then placed before the Committee of Council the views of the South-Western Branch on homoeopathy. It was moved and seconded 'that, as it has been resolved by the annual meeting of 1852, and reaffirmed by the annual meetings of 1858 and 1861, that 'there are three classes of practitioners who ought not to be members of the Association viz.: (1) real homoeopathic practitioners; (2) those who practise homoeopathy in combination with other systems of treatment; (3) those who, under various pretences, meet in consultation or hold professional intercourse with those who practise homoeopathy,' it be an instruction to the Committee of Council to request [a member stated to be practising homoeopathy at Plymouth] to withdraw his name from the list of members of the Association.'"

It is with regard to the third of the above mentioned classes that I wish to ask a question.

On July 10th, 1873, I was called in by a solicitor, to examine a Mr. A., a gentleman who possessed considerable property, with a view to ascertaining whether he was or was not mentally capable of making a will. I visited the patient three times. On the first occasion, I met a medical man practising homoeopathy in the East End of London, who was the patient's family physician. I had a long consultation with this gentleman concerning the state of mind of our patient; but neither of us made any allusion to the bodily condition of the patient, nor to the medical treatment which was being pursued in his case. I was much assisted in my diagnosis by the medical man in question, who had been for some years attending the patient.

At that time expressed an opinion in writing that the patient was capable of making a will. In 1875, this gentleman died, leaving his property to a Mrs. B., the landlady of his lodgings, who had acted as sick nurse to him during the last few years of his life, to the exclusion of his wife. On November 26th, 1875, Mrs. A. disputed this will, and the case was compromised, two-thirds of the property going to the landlady, and one-third to the wife.

I wish to ascertain (1) whether or no I was justified in entering into a consultation with a homoeopath, such consultation relating only to the mental condition and legal aspect of the case, and not to the medical treatment; and (2) if a similar case should present itself, whether or no I should be justified in again entering into such a consultation, provided that no question of treatment be touched upon, and that only the psychological and medico-legal points of the case are brought under discussion. I ought, perhaps, to mention that I found out subsequently that the homoeopathic physician was treating the patient with gum-arabic for diarrhoea.—Apologising for the length of this letter, I am, your obedient servant, Richmond Terrace, Whitehall. HENRY SUTHERLAND.

USE OF STEAM FOR HEATING HOSPITAL WARDS.

SIR,—Permit me to correct a statement made by Dr. Jacob in your last issue, relative to our new steam-boilers. It is quite true we erected two steam-boilers and one hot-water boiler at the period which he names, but they were to replace others worn out. We have always done our washing, drying, mangling, and a portion of the cooking, with steam. The boilers were made a little larger, with a view of introducing steam for heating purposes instead of hot water. We only work one steam-boiler at a time, excepting in very cold weather. I need scarcely say that a steam-boiler does not require any greater skill in stoking than that of an ordinary hot-water boiler.

If we were to heat the same surface with hot water, we should spend at least £150 a year more in coal and wages, and the result would then be unsatisfactory.

—I am, sir, your obedient servant, THOMAS BLAIR, General Manager. The General Infirmary at Leeds, April 18th, 1882.

SPASM.
SIR,—In the JOURNAL for April 1st, "Spasm" says his patient has muscular cramps and loss of sexual power. He says he has inquired into every function, but allow me to suggest that he has to deal with a case of albuminuria. Should he find it so, he will oblige by communicating that fact to the JOURNAL, or to yours sincerely, CLIPSON WRAY, M.D., M.R.C.S.

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