

Association Intelligence.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST KENT DISTRICT MEETINGS.

THE next meeting (the fourth of the sixth session) is appointed to be held at the Bull Inn, Dartford, on Friday, April 24th, at 3.15.

Dinner at 5 o'clock. Price of tickets, 5s., exclusive of wine.

Trains leave Dartford for London at 7.40 and 8.40; and for Maidstone at 8 o'clock.

FREDERICK J. BROWN, M.D., *Secretary*.

Rochester, April 6th, 1863.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

NAME OF BRANCH.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DATE.
BATH AND BRISTOL. [Ordinary.]	York House, Bath.	Thursday, April 30, 7.15 P.M.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH; GENERAL MEETING.

A general meeting of this Branch was held in the Medical Department of the Birmingham Library, on April 9th, 1863; EDWIN BARTLEET, Esq., in the Chair. There were also present twenty-two members.

New Member. Mr. A. G. Wilkinson, a member of the Association, was unanimously elected a member of the Branch.

Alteration of Law. The following alteration in Law 4, increasing the number of the scientific meetings, was unanimously adopted.

"That, instead of the words, 'That a general meeting of the Branch be held thrice annually,' the words, 'That a general meeting of the Branch be held on the second Thursdays in October, November, December, January, February, and March,' be substituted."

Papers. The following papers were read:—

1. Excision of the Os Calcis. By Oliver Pemberton, Esq. One of the patients attended.
2. On the Action of Medicines, singly and combined. By D. Nelson, M.D.
3. On Extraction of Bullets. By Redfern Davies, Esq.

Reports of Societies.

OBSTETRICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4TH, 1863.

H. OLDHAM, M.D., President, in the Chair.

THE following gentlemen were elected as Honorary Fellows of the Society:—Professor Martin, of Berlin; Dr. Beatty, of Dublin; Dr. Pagan, of Glasgow; Professor Braun, of Vienna; Professor Depaul, of Paris; and Professor Faye, of Christiania. Nine gentlemen were elected as ordinary Fellows of the Society.

The President announced that the volume of *Transactions* for the past year would be in the hands of the Fellows in a few days.

Ready-made Plasters. Dr. TILT drew attention to the fact that when a hundred or a hundred and fifty grains of common starch are boiled in an ounce of glycerine, the result is a very stiff glutinous compound, which has no smell, and does not become rancid; and although sticking firmly to the skin, it can be removed and reapplied. Instead of ordering belladonna plaster, Dr. Tilt

prescribes three grains of sulphate of atropia to be rubbed down with a few drops of glycerine, then incorporated with an ounce of hard glycerine ointment, and thickly spread by the patient on gutta-percha cloth or impermeable wash cloth. This can be removed for the morning ablutions, and reapplied after spreading a little more ointment on the same plaster. Morphia and other alkaloids are prescribed in the same way. The samples exhibited by Dr. Tilt were made by Mr. Bullock, of Hanover Street.

Uterine Polypus which had Complicated Labour. Dr. MEADOWS exhibited the specimen. The tumour, which had completely filled the vagina, was about twice the size of the fetal head. During the labour it was entirely protruded by the descent of the child, but was returned on its expulsion. It again, however, descended, and was removed by ligature two days after delivery. The growth was attached by a long pedicle to the cervix uteri, and weighed when removed nearly four pounds. The patient did well.

On Displacement, etc., of the Bladder as a Cause of Tedious Labour. Dr. W. H. BROADBENT made a communication to show that, besides the mechanical obstruction which may be presented by the prolapsed and distended bladder to the descent of the head of the child, prolapsus of the bladder, complete or partial, frequently renders the first stage of labour long and painful. The uterine contractions, causing pain in the displaced bladder, it was said, were replaced by spasmodic contractions of the abdominal muscles, which forced down the uterus, but had no effect in dilating its mouth. These were attended with much suffering, of a character very different from the natural labour pains at this stage, which with tactile examination would lead to a recognition of the cause. The measures recommended for the relief of the pain and for expediting the progress of the labour were, the supine position, prevention of accumulation of urine by the use of the catheter, and, in severe cases, chloroform.

Cases were given in support of these conclusions.

OBSERVATIONS ON OVARIOTOMY, ETC., STATISTICAL AND PRACTICAL; ALSO, A SUCCESSFUL CASE OF EXTIRPATION OF BOTH UTERUS AND OVARIES. BY CHARLES CLAY, M.D., MANCHESTER.

Dr. CLAY gave a brief and interesting outline of his experience on this important branch of surgery. There were 109 peritoneal sections, of which 104 were for ovarian extirpation, 3 for cutting down upon the tumour to establish ulceration where its removal was known to be impracticable, 1 for the Cæsarean operation, and 1 for the removal of both uterus and ovaries. Of the 104 ovarian cases, 72 recovered, 32 died; all the 3 ulcerative cases recovered; the Cæsarean section case lived to the fifteenth day; and, lastly, the case of entire removal of both uterus and ovaries recovered. Of the 32 deaths, 10 arose from the immediate consequences of the operation, 10 from inflammation, 10 from prostration, and 2 from hæmorrhage. The great majority of the first and second series were young females, as well as a portion of the third division. The deaths from prostration were chiefly in elderly females. Some other statistical facts were elicited, as well as the following remarks from the author:—Dr. Clay still defends the raised temperature of the room for operation, and attributes much of his success to its influence; is not certain if chloroform has added anything to the successful results: values it highly as an agent which it would now be difficult to lay aside, although the first 14 of his cases were performed before it was discovered, and of which 9 recovered; and he still thinks, if a woman could face the difficulty without it, it would be in her favour. The large incision is still practised by him, and deemed far preferable to the smaller opening. Of course the author wished to be understood that the incision was to be commensurate with the tumour to be

Medical News.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS. The following gentlemen passed the first part of the Professional Examination for the Licence of the College, on April 8th, 1863:—

Ashton, John Henry, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Brown, Edward, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Edgelow, George, St. George's Hospital
Edgelow, Thomas, St. George's Hospital
Kinsey, Robert Henry, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Lynch, Jordan Roche, St. Mary's Hospital
Pearless, Charles Durrant, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Powell, Llewellyn, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Richards, Frederick William, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Turner, Arthur Cromack, Sheffield

Also, on April 9th:—

Puzey, Chauncy, Guy's Hospital
Raven, Thomas Francis, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Snook, James Walbridge, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Thomas, James Byers, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Vaugh, Alexander, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

APOTHECARIES' HALL. On April 9th, the following Licentiates were admitted:—

Cann, Thomas Martyn, Virginetowe
Carter, Thomas, Guy's Hospital
Harley, Edward, King's College
Kelly, Frederick, London
Row, William, Clapham Road
Tessier, William Henry Cecil, London

At the same Court, the following passed the first examination:—

Burdett, Francis Henry, Birmingham
Duckering, Samuel, Sheffield
Haines, Richard Wheeler, King's College
Welch, John Burges, King's College

APPOINTMENTS.

GRATTAN, Nicholas, L.R.C.P. and S.Edin., appointed Resident Apothecary to the Cork South Charitable Infirmary and County Hospital.

HINTON, James, Esq., elected Surgeon-Aurist to Guy's Hospital.
PLAYFAIR, William S., M.D., appointed Physician to the Margaret Street Infirmary for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest.

ROBERTS, Edward Stokes, Esq., elected Honorary Surgeon to the Hull and Sulcoates Dispensary.

*SMITH, W. Abbotts, M.D., elected Physician to the Finsbury Dispensary.

POOR-LAW MEDICAL SERVICE.

BOOTH, Samuel, jun., M.D., to the South Salford District of the Salford Union.

GREAVES, Thomas Ley, Esq., to the Corby District of the Kettering Union.

GODDARD, Eugene, Esq., to District No. 1 and the Workhouse of the Leominster Union.

GRIFFITH, Robert, Esq., to the Abergelle District of the St. Asaph Union.

HARWOOD, Charles, M.D., to the Workhouse and the Shardlow District of the Shardlow Union, Derbyshire.

HAWKESFORD, George, Esq., to District No. 5 of the Birmingham Union.

HOARE, William, Esq., to District No. 2 of the Birmingham Union.

HOTHER, George, Esq., to District No. 1 and the Workhouse of the West Fife Union, Sussex.

KNOWLES, Edward, Esq., to District No. 5 of the Chesterton Union, Cambridgeshire.

LOGAN, James, M.D., to the Kettering No. 2 District of the Kettering Union.

SODEN, Caleb, M.D., to the Rowan Dispensary District of the Mohill Union, co Leitrim.

SUCKLING, Cornelius B., M.D., to District No. 3 of the Birmingham Union.

SUFFIELD, Charles R., L.R.C.P.Lond., to District No. 1 of the Birmingham Union.

WHITE, Edward, M.D., to District No. 4 of the Birmingham Union.

WILSON, John, M.D., to the Drumshambo Dispensary District of the Carrick-on-Shannon Union.

ARMY.

ANDERSON, Surgeon-Major R. C., M.D., 13th Hussars, to be Staff-Surgeon-Major, *vice* C. C. Rutherford.

BRADY, Staff-Surg. T. C., to be Surgeon 8th Foot, *vice* J. Irvine, M.D.

GEORGE, Assistant-Surgeon O. W., M.D., to be Surgeon 1st Life Guards, *vice* J. Cockburn.

GIBB, Surgeon-Major A. M.D., from a Depot-Battalion, to be Staff-Surgeon-Major, *vice* T. C. Brady.

IRVINE, Surgeon J., M.D., 8th Foot, to be Staff-Surgeon, *vice* W. T. Harding.
RUTHERFORD, Staff-Surgeon C. C., to be Surgeon 13th Hussars, *vice* R. C. Anderson, M.D.

INDIAN ARMY.

TURNER, Surgeon J., Bombay Army, to be Surgeon-Major.
VAUGHAN, Surgeon J., Bombay Army, to be Surgeon-Major.

ROYAL NAVY.

BURNETT, Thomas S., Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Leander*.
GORDON, George, Esq., Surgeon, to the *Leander*.

MULCAHY, Edward, Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Leander*.

VOLUNTEERS. (A.V.—Artillery Volunteers; R.V.—Rifle Volunteers):—

BALL, A., Esq., to be Assistant-Surgeon 1st Administrative Brigade East York A.V.

BARTLETT, T. H., M.B., to be Assist.-Surg. 1st Warwickshire R.V.

CROSS, R., M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon 1st Administrative Brigade East York A.V.

HUMPHREYS, T. B., Esq., to be Assistant-Surg. 26th Middlesex R.V.

To be Honorary Assistant-Surgeons:—

ADAMSON, R., Esq., 40th West Riding R.V.

BALL, W., Esq., 21st Cheshire R.V.

BANTOCK, G. G., M.D., 2nd Cheshire A.V.

COCKEY, E., Esq., 13th Somerset R.V.

POPE, W. H., Esq., 23rd Staffordshire R.V.

WILSON, W. H., Esq., 3rd North Riding A.V.

DEATHS.

BLACK. On April 5th, at 11, Queen Anne Street, aged 8 months, Edward, son of Patrick Black, M.D.

FOWLER, Richard, M.D., at Milford, near Salisbury, aged 97, on April 13.

FRAMPTON. On April 9th, at 28, Lower Belgrave Street, aged 7, Eliza Kennedy, daughter of D. N. Frampton, L.R.C.P.Ed.

DR. M'GOWAN, known as a Chinese and Japanese traveller, is about to proceed on a journey through the mountainous districts of China and Formosa.

MANCHESTER HOSPITAL. It appears probable that the Manchester Hospital will be enlarged, to meet the increasing wants of that town.

IMPORTATION OF QUININE. During the year 1861, 81,557 ounces of quinine were imported into this country; the value was put at £25,000. Of this quantity 47,000 ounces were exported.

ST. THOMAS'S HOSPITAL. There is a vacancy in the surgical staff of this institution occasioned by the resignation, on Saturday last, of Mr. John Flint South, after a connection of half a century as pupil and surgeon at the hospital.

THE AMERICAN MEDICAL MONTHLY is to be suspended. This is owing to the long continued absence of the editor and proprietor, Dr. J. H. Douglass, who has been an active member of the Sanitary Commission nearly from its organisation, first as an inspector and more recently as an associate secretary.

THE ROYAL SOCIETY. There are forty-five candidates for the fellowship of this learned society, including fourteen members of the medical profession; viz., Henry F. Baxter, M.R.C.S.; W. Brinton, M.D.; J. C. Bucknill, M.D.; T. S. Cobbold, M.D.; W. C. Hood, M.D.; W. Jenner, M.D.; E. C. Johnson, M.D.; H. Letheby, M.D.; Sir C. Locock, M.D.; R. McDonnell, M.D.; W. Pavy, M.D.; J. G. Perry, F.R.C.S.; C. B. Radcliffe, M.D.; and S. J. A. Salter, M.B.

PROSECUTION UNDER THE NEW MEDICAL ACT. The district coroner of Warrnambool, a Mr. John Clark, who has been practising as a surgeon, under the name of Dr. Clark, was, on the 9th inst., summoned before the local police bench, charged with using the title of a legally qualified medical man, without being duly registered by the Medical Board of Victoria. The offence was fully proved, and Dr. Clark was fined £5:5. He gave notice of appeal at the ensuing general sessions. (*Melbourne Herald*, Jan. 16th.)

PRIZE ESSAY. Dr. M. H. Cash left a legacy of 5,000 dollars to the Medical Society of New York. It has been determined to establish a prize with the money. The subject proposed for the essay is, "*How complete is the protection of vaccination, and what are the dangers of communicating other diseases with the vaccinia?*" The competition will be confined to physicians residents of the State of New York. The decision of the committee will be announced at the meeting of the society in February 1864.

VACANCIES. The following appointments are vacant: Physician to the Derbyshire General Infirmary; physician to Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge; medical officer of health for St. George's-in-the-East; surgeon to the Tower Hamlets Dispensary; surgeon to the Metropolitan Dispensary; physician to the Chelsea, Brompton, and Belgrave Dispensary, and surgeon to the Western district; assistant-physician to University College Hospital; surgeon to the Royal Asylum of St. Ann's Society; house surgeon to the Morpeth Dispensary; house surgeon to the West Hertfordshire Infirmary; resident house surgeon and apothecary to the South Devon and East Cornwall Hospital; assistant house surgeon to the South Staffordshire General Hospital; junior resident surgeon to the Birmingham General Dispensary; medical officer for the parish of Tyrie, near Pittsligo; and medical officer for South Uist, by Lochmaddy.

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SOCIETY. At the annual meeting of this Society held on April 6th, the following office-bearers were elected for the ensuing year:—*President*: B. G. Babington, M.D., F.R.S. *Vice-Presidents*: His Excellency the Earl of Carlisle, K.G.; Earl of Shaftesbury, K.G.; the Right Hon. W. Cowper, M.P.; H. W. Acland, M.D., F.R.S.; A. Bryson, M.D., F.R.S., R.N.; E. Chadwick, Esq., C.B.; J. Copland, M.D., F.R.S.; Wm. Farr, M.D., F.R.S.; J. B. Gibson, M.D., C.B.; R. D. Grainger, Esq., F.R.S.; Sir C. Hastings, M.D., D.C.L.; W. Jenner, M.D.; Sir J. Liddell, M.D., F.R.S., C.B.; Sir J. R. Martin, C.B.; A. Nisbett, M.D., R.N.; J. Simon, Esq., F.R.S.; Sir A. Smith, M.D., K.C.B.; T. Watson, M.D., F.R.S. *Treasurer*: W. Camps, M.D. *Secretaries*: G. Milroy, M.D.; J. N. Radcliffe, Esq. *Foreign and Colonial Secretaries*: Belgium and France, W. Lewis, M.D.; Germany and Russia, H. Weber, M.D., and W. E. Swaine, M.D.; Sweden, Norway, and Denmark, R. G. Latham, M.D., F.R.S.; Portugal and the Brazils, A. Bryson, M.D., R.N.; Egypt and Syria, W. Camps, M.D.; East Indies, J. Bird, M.D.; West Indies and North America, G. Milroy, M.D. *Other Members of Council*: C. J. B. Aldis, M.D.; F. G. Burge, Esq.; W. D. Chowne, M.D.; W. Dickson, M.D., R.N.; E. H. Greenhow, M.D.; Colonel Hough; E. Hart, Esq.; E. Haward, M.D.; C. F. J. Lord, Esq.; J. F. Marson, Esq.; C. Morehead, M.D.; C. Murchison, M.D.; W. Odling, M.B.; B. W. Richardson, M.D.; J. B. Sanderson, M.D.; E. C. Seaton, M.D.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT. On Friday and Saturday, a very painful feeling was caused in Newcastle-on-Tyne, by a deplorable accident which had befallen Mr. William Newton, surgeon of that town, and an active member of the Town Council. On Friday afternoon, between 4 and 5 o'clock, Mr. Newton had been riding out upon the Town Moor in company with a young man named Mr. James Scott, when the horse upon which the latter was riding took fright, and Mr. Newton's mare sprang after it, and the jerk threw her rider. Mr. Newton unfortunately fell with his back upon a stone lying in the ditch. Assistance was speedily rendered him, and he was removed to the herd's cottage, where he was attended by Sir John Fife, Dr. Heath, Dr. Hawthorn, and other brother professionals. His condition was so precarious, however, that he was not removed home until 10 o'clock at night, when he had to be carried with great

care on a stretcher to his residence in Hood Street. Upon an examination by the medical men it was found that his spine was injured. On Saturday Mr. Newton was in a very dangerous condition indeed, and it is feared that, if he ever recover, his extremities will be paralysed.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY......Royal Free, 2 P.M.—Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's for Fistula and other Diseases of the Rectum, 1.15 P.M.—Samaritan, 2.30 P.M.—Lock, Clinical Demonstration and Operations, 1 P.M.
TUESDAY..... Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.
WEDNESDAY.... St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.
THURSDAY.... St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—London, 1.30 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.
FRIDAY...... Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.
SATURDAY..... St. Thomas's, 1 P.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY. Medical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Dr. George Johnson, "On the Laryngoscope."—Asiatic.
TUESDAY. Zoological.—Statistical.—Pathological.
WEDNESDAY. Society of Arts.—Geological.
THURSDAY. Royal.—Antiquarian (Anniversary).
FRIDAY. Royal Institution.
SATURDAY. Royal Botanical.

POPULATION STATISTICS AND METEOROLOGY OF LONDON—APRIL 11, 1863.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Boys	Girls	Births	Deaths
During week.....	1131	1049	2180	1610
Average of corresponding weeks 1853-62			1975	1324
Barometer:				
Highest (Sat.) 29.683; lowest (Tu.) 29.356; mean, 29.558.				
Thermometer:				
Highest in sun—extremes (Tu.) 93 degs.; (Wed.) 63.4 degs.				
In shade—highest (Fri.) 65.3 degs.; lowest (Wed.) 34.8 degs.				
Mean—49.5 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs.—4.2 degs.				
Range—during week, 30.5 degrees; mean daily, 14.7 degrees.				
Mean humidity of air (saturation=100), 86.				
Mean direction of wind, S.W.—Rain in inches, 0.19.				

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

* * All letters and communications for the JOURNAL, to be addressed to the EDITOR, 37, Great Queen St., Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C.

CORRESPONDENTS, who wish notice to be taken of their communications, should authenticate them with their names—of course not necessarily for publication.

COMMUNICATIONS have been received from:—Mr. WILLIAM COPNEY; Mr. R. S. FOWLER; THE HONORARY SECRETARY OF THE ODONTOLOGICAL SOCIETY; Mr. C. J. EVANS; THE REGISTRAR OF THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON; Dr. CHAMBERS; Mr. E. S. ROBERTS; Mr. J. N. RADCLIFFE; Dr. W. P. STIFF; Dr. JAMES HEYGATE; Dr. RAMSBOTHAM; Mr. G. F. BODINGTON; Mr. OLIVER PEMBERTON; Dr. J. A. BOLTON; Mr. J. A. PEARSON; Mr. REDFERN DAVIES; Dr. T. R. H. THOMPSON; Mr. C. M. THOMPSON; Mr. T. BRYANT; Mr. STONE; Dr. H. MARSHALL; and Dr. W. A. SMITH.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

1. Medical Evidence in the Case of Jessie McLachlan. By G. H. B. Macleod, M.D.
2. On some of the Causes of Infanticide. By G. Greaves. Manchester: 1863.
3. Law of Lunacy, etc. By J. G. Davey, L.R.C.P.
4. Deafness Practically Illustrated. By James Yearsley, M.D. London: 1863.
5. On Human Entozoa. By W. A. Smith, M.D. London: 1863.