

practitioner merely on account of the miscarriage of a letter through his accidental absence; and it was not reasonable that the question of a reentry of his name should be hung up for nearly a year. Surely, the Council should meet oftener for such purposes. Mr. M. Smith said they had now delegated such matters to the executive committee, which sat permanently; and were now ready to hear and determine the matter. Mr. H. James said that the Council had no right, in such a case, to enter into any inquiry into character, but were bound absolutely to reenter the name; but Mr. Justice Wightman pointed out that there could be no *mandamus* to the Council to register, because the duty of registry was on the registrar. The duty of the Council was to hear and determine the matter. The Lord Chief Justice pointed out that the words of the Act were, "if they shall think fit," and thus implied that they were to exercise some judgment. Mr. Justice Crompton said it could not be contended that the Council could not consider under what circumstances the applicant in such a case had been absent or abroad, as they might have been disgraceful, though it might not be so in this case; they could not be precluded from inquiry into that matter. The Court said the applicant could not possibly be entitled to more at present than a *mandamus* to the Council to hear and determine the matter, and that they were ready to do, it appeared, without a *mandamus*. If, indeed, they decided against him on a wrong ground, there might be a ground for a *mandamus* to register; but it could not be anticipated that they would decide wrongly, and, therefore, though the rule for a *mandamus* might be made absolute, the writ need not issue unless the decision should be adverse to the applicant, and he should desire to have the ground of the decision considered.

### THE SAINT GALMIER MINERAL WATERS.

A COMPANY has recently been formed in London for the sale of mineral waters procured from St. Galmier in France. These waters appear to have an extensive and increasing reputation in that country; according to a statement before us, the town of Lyons alone consumes one million of bottles annually. According to an analysis by M. Ossian Henry, the water contains air very rich in oxygen; a large proportion of free carbonic acid; carbonates of soda, potassa, lime, and magnesia; sulphates of soda and lime; chlorides of sodium and magnesium; alkaline nitrates; and a small amount of silica and strontia. It is said to be antilithic; so much so, that the inhabitants of St. Galmier are free from calculous disorders. The water is also recommended for use in functional disorders of the digestive organs; in chlorosis, amenorrhœa, dysmenorrhœa, and leucorrhœa; and in various affections of the urinary organs. Experience has yet to prove the beneficial effect of the St. Galmier water as a medicinal agent in this country: it may readily be supposed, however, that its alkaline properties render it likely to be serviceable where it is desired to neutralise and remove an excess of acid. Having received some of the water from the company, we have tried it as an ordinary drink—using it as Seltzer water; and, from our examination, are enabled to confirm the statement made to us regarding it, "that it has a pleasant taste, and possesses the most perfect limpidity." We believe that it will be found safe and agreeable for general use.

MUSCLE AS A CONDUCTOR OF ELECTRICITY. Rank states that dead muscle is a much better conductor of electricity than living, from the presence of certain products of decomposition, and that living muscle is 3,000,000 times a worse conductor than mercury, 115,000,000 worse than copper.

## Association Intelligence.

### BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Thirty-first Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be holden at Bristol, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the 5th, 6th, and 7th days of August.

PHILIP H. WILLIAMS, M.D., *Gen. Sec.*

Worcester, April 21st, 1863.

### BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

NAME OF BRANCH.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DATE.
LANCASH. & CHESHIRE. [Annual.]	Medical Institution, Liverpool.	Wednesday, June 24th, 12 noon.
SOUTH-EASTERN. [Annual.]	Bull Inn, Rochester.	Wednesday, June 24, 1.30 P.M.
EAST ANGLIAN. [Annual.]	Yarmouth.	Friday, June 26th, 3 P.M.
WEST SOMERSET. [Annual.]	The Squirrel Hotel, Wellington.	Wednesday, July 1, 2 P.M.
MIDLAND. [Annual.]	Board Room of the Infirmary, Derby.	Thursday, July 2nd, 2 P.M.
METROPOL. COUNTIES. [Annual.]	Crystal Palace, Sydenham.	Tuesday, July 7, 3.30 P.M.
NORTH WALES. [Annual.]	Royal Hotel, Rhyl.	Tuesday, July 7, 1 P.M.
SOUTH MIDLAND & CAMBRIDGE & HUNTINGDON. [Annual.]	Infirmary, Peterborough.	Thursday, July 9th, 1 P.M.

### LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH.

THE Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting of this Branch will take place at the Medical Institution, Liverpool, on Wednesday, June 24th, at 12 o'clock, noon. President-elect, J. R. W. Vose, M.D.

Notices of papers or other communications to be sent to the Honorary Secretary, as early as possible.

A. T. H. WATERS, M.D., *Hon. Sec.*

27, Hope Street, Liverpool, May 27th, 1863.

### METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE Eleventh Annual Meeting of this Branch will be held at the Crystal Palace, Sydenham, on Tuesday, July 7th, at 3.30 P.M. President-elect: Francis Sibson, M.D., F.R.S.

The members will afterwards dine together.

A. P. STEWART, M.D.,  
ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D., } *Hon. Secs.*

London, June 11th, 1863.

### SOUTH MIDLAND AND CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCHES.

THE Annual Meeting of these Branches combined will take place at the Infirmary, Peterborough, on Thursday, July 9th, at 1 P.M. President-elect: William Paley, M.D.

Gentlemen intending to read papers or cases will oblige by forwarding the titles as early as possible to the Honorary Secretaries,

JOHN M. BRYAN, M.D., Northampton; or  
G. M. HUMPHRY, M.D., Cambridge.

study of where the sources of danger may lie, we may combat them more effectually. If accidents occur just as often with an inhaler as without one, it is clear the inhaler has not much to do with the catastrophe. If accidents occur, as they do most frequently, from apnoea, and, I sometimes fear, from rough handling, pressure, nightmare, etc., it shows us the wisdom of Dr. Hodgkin's views, and that "fatty heart" has been rather a fancy than a fact; and artificial respiration with the "Silvester method" will do more for us in relieving the distended right cavities than anything directly to the heart itself, as also well argued out by Dr. Hodgkin.

I am etc., CHARLES KIDD.

Sackville Street, W., June 1863.

## Medical News.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS.** The following gentlemen passed the first part of the Professional Examination for the Licence of the College, on June 5th, 1863:—

Foster, Charles William Ellis, Leeds School of Medicine  
Lamb, George, 162, Caledonian Road, Islington  
Lupton, Richard John, School of Medicine, Liverpool  
Lyle, William Vacy, St. Mary's Hospital  
Thibon, Jesse Wheelock, St. Bartholomew's Hospital  
Walker, Henry George, University College  
Wolston, Walter Thomas Pridaux, King's College

At a general meeting of the Fellows, held on Saturday, June 13th, the following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examination, and satisfied the College of their proficiency in the science and practice of medicine, surgery, and midwifery, were duly admitted to practise physic as Licentiates of the College:—

Buckle, William Henry Fleetwood, Royal Mint  
Embling, William Henry, 30, Oakley Square, Regent's Park  
Hunt, William John, Hathersage, near Sheffield  
Macdonald, Keith Norman, Bath  
Rendle, James Davy, M.D. St. Andrew's, Brixton Hill  
Richards, Alfred, Armley, near Leeds  
Sutcliffe, Edward, 1, Champion Grove, Camberwell

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.** The following members of the College, having undergone the necessary examinations for the Fellowship, on May 26th, 27th, and 28th, were reported to have done so to the satisfaction of the Court of Examiners, and at a meeting of the Council on June 12th, were admitted Fellows:—

Brown, Frederick James, Rochester; diploma of membership dated November 1st, 1844  
Carr, William, Gomersal; October 26, 1855  
Clarke, William Fairlie, Curzon Street, May Fair; Jan. 30, 1862  
Heim, George Frederick, Cambridge; January 14, 1859  
Lund, Edward, Manchester; April 9, 1847  
Marsden, Frederick, Stanforth; March 2, 1859  
Merle, Victor de, Brook Street, Grosvenor Square; June 11, 1847  
Rivington, Walter, Upper Holloway; March 18, 1859  
Rouse, James, Coleshill Street; April 11, 1851  
Thompson, John, Bideford; November 4, 1842  
Tuson, John Edward, H.M. Indian Army; April 25, 1851

At the same meeting of the Council, the following members of the College, who had been elected Fellows at previous meetings, were admitted as such:—

Byass, Thomas Spry, Cuckfield, Sussex; diploma of membership dated August 7, 1829  
Eden, Thomas Edward, Brighton; March 27, 1835  
Hutchins, John Henry, Rochester; September 2, 1831  
Lowe, George, Burton-on-Trent; May 5, 1837  
Thomson, Charles Edmunds, Ross; June 13, 1828

**UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.** In a Congregation holden on June 10th, the Degree of Doctor in Medicine was conferred on

Harvey, Edward R., Christ Church  
Moore, Henry, Oriel

**UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.** First M.B. Examination. Easter Term, 1863.

Balis, W., B.A., St. Peter's College

Graham, A. B., M.A., St. Peter's College  
Hoffman, H. W., M.A., Trinity College  
Second M.B. Examination.  
Bagshaw, F., M.A., St. John's College  
Welch, T. D., M.A., Caius College  
Wilks, A. G. P., M.A., Trinity College

**APOTHECARIES' HALL.** On June 4th, the following Licentiates were admitted:—

Angus, James Acworth, Newcastle-upon-Tyne  
Barnes, Thomas Henry, Clare, Suffolk  
Burdett, Francis Henry, Birmingham  
Davidson, Christopher M. D., Wandsworth Road  
Hayward, William Henry, Oldbury  
Jefferson, Thomas Jewison, Market Weighton  
Lawrie, John Douglas, Bradford  
Lindop, John Crump, Newport  
Nash, W. Llewellyn, Cheltenham  
Wesley, John Sebastian, Southampton Row

Admitted on June 11th:—

Evans, Thomas, Llandysil, Cardiganshire  
Harman, John, Canterbury  
Jackson, Thomas Creswick, Wimpole Street  
Laidlaw, William, Newcastle-on-Tyne

Passed as an assistant:—

Kenyon, John Kilshaw, Liverpool

## APPOINTMENTS.

\*HUTCHINSON, Jonathan, Esq., elected Surgeon to the London Hospital, in the room of G. Critchett, Esq. resigned.  
\*MITCHINSON, George, I.K.Q.C.P.I., has been placed on the Commission of the Peace for the city of Lincoln.  
THOMAS, Lyle, Esq., elected Assistant Medical Superintendent of the Devon County Asylum.  
TOLLER, Ebenezer, Esq., elected Medical Superintendent of the Gloucester County Asylum.  
YEO, Isaac B., Esq., appointed House-Surgeon and Secretary to the Haunts County Hospital.

## POOR-LAW MEDICAL SERVICE.

BROWN, John M., Esq., to the Burton District of the Kendal Union.  
BRYAN, Andrew H., M.D., to the Ballyneen Dispensary District of the Dunmanway Union, co. Cork.  
KING, Henry, Esq., to the Brideswell Dispensary District of the Athlone Union.  
LANGDON, Henry W., Esq., to District No. 6 of the Devizes Union.  
MOORE, Adam J., Esq., to the Caversham District of the Henley-on-Thames Union.  
OLIVER, S., M.D., to Cromdale, Abernethy, and Duthill, Morayshire.  
SLADE, Robert, Esq., to the Puddletown District of the Dorchester Union.

## ARMY.

OVENS, Staff-Assistant-Surgeon J. C., to be Staff-Surgeon.  
STEWART, Staff-Surgeon-Major J., retiring on half-pay, to have the honorary rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals.

## ROYAL NAVY.

CALDWELL, John, Esq., Surgeon, to the *Osprey*.  
COOKE, George P., Esq., Surgeon, to the *Dee*.  
FRAZER, John, Esq., Acting Assistant-Surgeon (additional), to the *Royal Adelaide*.  
LONGFIELD, William D., Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Styx*.  
M'DONOUGH, George P., M.D., Surgeon, to the *Active*.  
M'IVER, Donald, M.D., Acting Assistant-Surgeon (additional), to the *Royal Adelaide*.  
WARD, John, Esq., Surgeon, to the *Trincomeale*.  
WHITAKER, Joseph, M.D., Acting Assistant-Surgeon (additional), to the *Royal Adelaide*.  
WHITLEY, Alfred W., Esq., Acting Assistant-Surgeon (additional), to the *Victory*.  
WORDSWORTH, William D., Esq., Acting Assistant-Surgeon (additional), to the *Victory*.

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

TAYLOR, C. G., Esq., to be Surgeon 2nd Essex R.V.  
WEST, R., M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon London Irish R.V.  
WILKINS, John St. S., Esq., to be Assistant-Surgeon 1st Warwickshire R.V.  
WILSON, J., Esq., to be Assistant-Surgeon 19th Lancashire A.V.  
To be Honorary Assistant-Surgeons:—  
THORN, J. T., M.D., 1st Kincardineshire A.V.

## MILITIA.

PIRIE, J., M.D., to be Surgeon Argyll and Bute Artillery Militia.

## BIRTH.

SOPER. On June 8th, at St. George's Villas, Stockwell, the wife of William Soper, Esq., Surgeon, of a daughter.

## DEATHS.

ARTHUR, Thomas Norway, Esq., Surgeon, at Prees, Shropshire, aged 52, on May 22.  
 AYRES, Philip B., M.D., at Port Louis, Mauritius, aged 49, on April 30.  
 COMBS. On June 6th, at Hastings, Henry James, infant son of J. W. Combs, Esq., Surgeon, of Burwash, Sussex.  
 HARRIS. On June 1st, at Brighton, aged 69, Sarah Rose, wife of Charles Harris, Esq., Surgeon.  
 HODGES, Thos., Esq., Surgeon, at 104, Guildford Street, on June 11.  
 NEWNHAM. On June 16th, at Tunbridge Wells, aged 72, Caroline, wife of William Newnham, Esq., late of Farnham.  
 WEST. On June 14th, at Woolwich, Eliza, wife of M. T. West, Esq., Surgeon R.N.

**THE VACCINATION (IRELAND) BILL.** This bill has been read a third time in the House of Lords, and passed.

**BEQUEST.** An old lady has left £10,000 to the Royal Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, to be expended solely in the reform of the slaughter-houses of London.

**AN ARMY SURGEON MORTALLY WOUNDED IN BATTLE.** Surgeon Hartmann, of the 107th Ohio Volunteers, was shot through the bowels at Chancellorville, and died of peritonitis.

**THE LONDON HOSPITAL.** Mr. Hutchinson's appointment as surgeon to this hospital leaves a vacancy for an assistant-surgeon. Mr. Walter Rivington is, we understand, a candidate for the latter office, and has a good prospect of success.

**GARIBALDI.** According to the following, Garibaldi's wound is healing at last:—The General's wound is rapidly healing. All the symptoms are now favourable. In his daily walks, on crutches, the General can now occasionally rest his foot on the ground without feeling any pain in the articulation, or in the wound itself. ENRICO ALBANESE.

**PENSIONS ON THE CIVIL LIST.** The following are among the pensions granted on the Civil List:—Mr. Joshua Alder, of Newcastle, £70, for his labours as a naturalist, especially in the department of marine zoology; Mr. George Bartlett, £100, in appreciation of his pursuit of the natural and physical sciences during thirty-six years, resulting in the establishment of the "Devon and Cornwall Natural History Society;" Dr. Robert Latham, £100, in appreciation of his eminence in the studies of grammar, philology, and ethnology.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF IRELAND.** The annual election of President, Vice-President, and Council, to serve for the ensuing year, was held on June 1st, as provided by the Charter of the College. The following are the names of those elected:—*President*, William Coles; *Vice-President*, Josiah Smyly; *Secretary*, Edward Hutton; *Council*, A. Jacob; W. Hargrave; R. Adams; James Barker; Hans Irvine; E. Hutton; R. Pentland; S. G. Wilmot; R. G. H. Butcher; A. P. Banon; P. Shannon; R. Macnamara; H. Labatt; B. McDowell; E. Ledwich; W. Jameson; A. Carte; W. Healy; J. H. Wharton.

**RAILWAY TRAVELLING.** Dr. Waller Lewis, the medical officer of the London Post-office, states in his report just issued, that he has arrived at these conclusions from observations of the health of the travelling officers of the Post-office. Railway travelling has little, if any, injurious effect on healthy, strong, well-built persons, if the amount be not excessive and if they take moderate care of themselves; but persons who take to habitual railway travelling after the age of 25 or 30 are more easily affected than those who begin earlier; and the more advanced in age a traveller is the more easily he is affected by this sort of locomotion. Weak, tall, loosely-knit persons, and those suffering under various affections, more especially of the head, heart, and lungs, are very unsuited for habitual railway travelling.

**QUININE IN INDIA.** Mr. Clements R. Markham writes as follows:—"As great numbers of persons are watching with deep interest the progress of the experimental cultivation of quinine yielding cinchona trees in India, I should feel obliged if you would make public the important and gratifying fact that quinine and other febrifuge alkaloids have already been extracted from bark grown in India. Specimens of bark of only two years growth have been forwarded from the Neilgherry hills, and analysed by Mr. Howard with most satisfactory results. He obtained crystallisations of very white sulphate of quinine, as well as cinchonidine and cinchonine, and the percentage product of alkaloids is as great as would be met with in South America.

**ENFORCING VACCINATION.** There is before the House of Commons a Government Bill, extending only to Scotland, proposing that after February next a schoolmaster or schoolmistress shall be liable to a penalty for receiving into a school a child under 14 without a medical certificate of its having been vaccinated. There is to be a penalty also upon any one who shall receive into his or her employment or service a young person under 18 without such a certificate. Every prisoner and every person admitted to the parochial relief is to be vaccinated as soon as possible after admission to such relief or imprisonment, unless the surgeon is satisfied that such person has been vaccinated or has had small-pox.

**THE TESTIMONIALS TO DR. AND MRS. CHADWICK, OF BOLTON.** The inhabitants of Bolton are about to present to Dr. and Mrs. Chadwick, a most flattering testimonial. Dr. Chadwick is gloried in as having been an ornament to his profession and a benefactor to the poor. The testimonials consist of a large *épergne*, a massive salver, and a neat and compact rosewood workbox, bearing the inscription: "Presented to Samuel Taylor Chadwick, Esq., M.D. Edin.; F.R.C.S. Eng.; J.P., etc.; in testimony of the grateful appreciation by the inhabitants of Bolton and the neighbourhood, of his long continued and valuable services as a learned physician and skilful surgeon, and of his gratuitous devotion of time and ability to the poor. Bolton, May 13th, 1863."

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.** The following are the names of the Fellows who are candidates for seats in the Council at the ensuing election on Thursday, July 2nd:—Mr. Cæsar Henry Hawkins, of Grosvenor Street; and Mr. Thomas Tatum, of George Street, Hanover Square. These gentlemen offer themselves for reelection; and for the chair vacated by Mr. Coulson, there are four candidates in the field; viz., Mr. Samuel A. Lane; Mr. George Busk; Mr. Thomas Blizard Curling; and Mr. Henry Hancock. After the election, the Fellows will dine together at the Albion Tavern; on which occasion Mr. Turner, of Manchester, will preside.

**SMALL-POX PATIENTS IN PUBLIC VEHICLES.** In the House of Commons, on Thursday, June 11th, Sir A. Agnew asked the Attorney-General whether the officials of railway and steam-boat companies might lawfully remove from carriages or vessels under their supervision persons who were obviously labouring under small-pox; and whether individuals thus wilfully travelling from place to place at the risk of spreading so dreadful a scourge through a whole community were subject to any penalty on conviction before a magistrate? The Attorney-General said it appeared to him that by the common law the officials of the company would not be justified in removing the persons alluded to. In respect to the second question of the hon. gentleman, he was not aware of any Act of Parliament on the subject.

**DEATH OF EDMUND BELFOUR, JUN., ESQ.** The members of the profession will no doubt sympathise with the worthy Secretary of the Royal College of Surgeons, in the lamentable death by drowning, of his only son. The sad event took place on the 4th instant, when Mr. Bel-

four left his residence, Grove House, Putney, soon after six o'clock, for his usual early pull on the Thames. As he did not return, some uneasiness was felt which caused inquiries to be made. The result was that his boat, one of those dangerous out-riggers, was discovered drifting without him; and it soon became evident that he had met with a watery grave. Search was immediately commenced, and a large number of boats were employed in dragging that part of the river over which he was supposed to have passed; but no trace of the body could be found until Saturday, when it was discovered at Chiswick. An inquest was held at Hammersmith, when a verdict of "Found drowned" was returned. The deceased, who was only in his fortieth year, leaves a widow and seven children. This catastrophe has not only plunged his family and numerous friends into deep grief, but is keenly felt by all who enjoyed the privilege of his acquaintance, as was exhibited at his funeral which took place on Wednesday, and was attended by a large number of the principal inhabitants of the neighbourhood and several members of the London Rowing Club, of which the deceased was Vice-President.

THE NATIONAL MEDICAL REGISTRATION ASSOCIATION. This Association was established immediately after the passing of the Medical Act in 1858, to secure, as far as possible, the efficient operation of those clauses which it was expected would confer much benefit upon the public and profession, by affording them protection against the unqualified and dishonest pretender. That this Association has not attained to all that was hoped and expected, has been due to the failure of a certain clause of the Act referred to, and of the means at its disposal, rather than to a want of effort on its part. Prosecution after prosecution was undertaken, and manfully fought to the death, nor did they desist until they had demonstrated but too clearly the worthlessness of the 40th clause in particular. The Committee then memorialised the Medical Council to obtain from Parliament an amendment of this clause, but at present to no purpose. Until, however, the clause is altered, the Association, as a prosecuting body, is powerless. But we regret to learn that, owing to the members' subscriptions being very much in arrear, a debt of nearly £200 properly incurred is pressing very heavily on the Committee, and that their respected treasurer, J. Lavies, Esq., is really subject to personal annoyance on account of it. This ought not to be, and we wish to call the attention of our readers to the fact. All members of the Association are beyond doubt legally liable for the debts of their Committee. There is, however, a higher feeling, and one that we feel sure will actuate them and the profession generally, and they will feel in honour bound to protect the pockets of those who have so generously bestowed their time and energies, as well as their money, in this service. Some members of the original Committee have determined to relieve their treasurer of the annoyance to which he is subject, and a subscription has been started for the purpose. Subscriptions should be sent direct to J. Lavies, Esq., Great George Street, Westminster.

#### OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....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.  
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.—London, 2 P.M.  
THURSDAY....St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopædic, 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.—Lock, Clinical Demonstration and Operations 1 P.M.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.

#### MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

TUESDAY. Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Mr. Curling, "On Sterility in Man"; Mr. Moore, "Strangulation of the Stomach in an Umbilical Rupture"; and papers by Dr. Cockle, Dr. Kramer, and Mr. George Southam.—Zoological.  
WEDNESDAY. Society of Arts (Anniversary).  
SATURDAY. Royal Botanical.

#### POPULATION STATISTICS AND METEOROLOGY OF LONDON—JUNE 13, 1863.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Births.	Deaths.
During week.....	{ Boys.. 995 }	1995 1186
	{ Girls.. 1000 }	
Average of corresponding weeks 1853-62 .....		1791 1143
Barometer:		
Highest (Sat.) 29.641; lowest (Sun.) 29.331; mean, 29.444.		
Thermometer:		
Highest in sun—extremes (Th.) 105.5 degs.; (Sun.) 96.7 degs.		
In shade—highest (Wed.) 68.3 degs.; lowest (Sat.) 45.7 degs.		
Mean—54.7 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs.—3.2 degs.		
Range—during week, 22.6 degrees; mean daily, 16.8 degrees.		
Mean humidity of air (saturation=100), 73.		
Mean direction of wind, S.W.—Rain in inches, 0.76.		

#### 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.

THE REVIEW OF DR. HARLEY'S BOOK.—SIR: In the review of my work on *Jaundice*, which appears in the last number of your JOURNAL, your reviewer, in quoting my classification of the causes of jaundice, has put "aneurism" instead of "concussion" of the brain as one of them. I shall feel obliged by your kindly correcting this error, which is of more importance than at first sight appears. I am, etc., GEORGE HARLEY.  
77, Harley Street, June 15th, 1863.

THERAPEUTICAL INQUIRIES.—SIR: As I have not received any of the Schedules of the Therapeutical Committee, referred to in Dr. Harley's letter published in the JOURNAL of to-day, I presume that their issue has been limited to gentlemen who were members of the British Medical Association in 1862.

It may, perhaps, be considered too late for any alteration in the present arrangements; but I would venture to suggest that if any copies of the schedules remain in the hands of the Committee, they might be issued to the members who, like myself, have joined the Association during the current year. The reports upon the various subjects included amongst the Therapeutical Inquiries would then actually represent the opinions of the whole of the members of the Association in 1863, which would, of course, be the date borne by the reports. I am, etc.,

WILLIAM ABBOTTS SMITH, M.D.

38, Doughty Street, W.C., June 13th, 1863.

P.S. If my suggestion be not now practicable, it may be worthy of consideration whether, in future inquiries, the schedules ought not to be sent out at the commencement of the year, so as to include all of the members of the Association.

[The inquiry was not limited to members of the Association. It was distinctly stated that information would be gladly received from any members of the profession; and that schedules (as far as practicable) should be supplied to any member requiring them. Schedules shall be forwarded to our correspondent. EDITOR.]

COMMUNICATIONS have been received from:—Mr. THOMAS BRYANT; Mr. S. H. SWAYNE; Mr. JNO. GRANTHAM; Mr. WILLIAM COPNEY; Mr. S. WOOD; THE HON. SECS. OF THE ROYAL MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY; F. S.; Mr. T. M. STONE; HOMO LIBER; Dr. HARLEY; Dr. W. PRICE; Dr. BARCLAY; Mr. J. VOSE SOLOMON; Mr. GRAMSHAW; Mr. W. ALLISON; Dr. WM. ABBOTTS SMITH; C. DE CINQ MAISONS; and A.

#### BOOKS RECEIVED.

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2. The Watering-Places of England. By Edwin Lee, M.D. Fourth Edition. London: 1863.