ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

NOTICE OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS FOR 1888.

Meetings of the Council will be held on April 18th, July 18th, and October 17th, 1888. Candidates for election by the Council of the Association must send in their forms of application to the General Secretary not later than twenty-one days before each meeting, namely, March 28th, June 27th, September 26th, and December 28th, 1888.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

ANY qualified medical practitioner, not disqualified by any by-law of the Association, who shall be recommended as eligible by any three members, may be elected a member by the Council or by any recognised Branch Council.

Candidates seeking election by a Branch Council should apply to the Secretary of the Branch. No member can be elected by a Branch Council unless his name has been inserted in the circular summoning the meeting at which he seeks election.

FRANCIS FOWKB, General Secretary.

COLLECTIVE INVESTIGATION OF DISEASE.

THE Report upon the CONNECTION OF DISEASE WITH HABITS OF INTEMPERANCE, which was presented to the Section of Medicine in the Annual Meeting of 1887, and a further portion of the Report upon Old AGE have been completed, and will shortly be published in the JOURNAL.

Reports upon the two remaining inquiries, namely, that into DIPHTHERIA, and that into the GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN DISEASES, are in preparation, and will be published as soon as ready.

The following inquiry only of the first series remains open, namely,

that on THE ETIOLOGY OF PHTHISIS.

A fresh inquiry into the Origin and Mode of Propagation of

EPIDEMICS OF DIPHTHERIA has been issued.

Memoranda upon these subjects, and forms for recording observations, may be had on application to the Secretary of the Collective Investigation Committee, 429, Strand, W.C.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST AND WEST SUSSEX DISTRICTS.—A conjoint meeting of the above districts will be held at the Grand Hotel, Brighton, on Thursday, March 22nd. F. W. Salzmann, M.R.C.S., will preside. Meeting at 3.30 P.M.; dinner at 5.30 P.M.; charge 6s., exclusive of wine. The following communications are promised: Dr. Starling: A case of Fibroid Induration of the Stomach (with specimens). Mr. Howard Marsh: Recovery after Laparotomy for Intestinal Obstruction; with Remarks. Dr. Mackey will show: Cases of Lupus Erythematosus, etc. Gentlemen desirous of contributing short papers or cases, should write at once to the undersigned or to Dr. Gostling, West Worthing.—T. Jenner Verrall, Honorary Secretary, 97, Montpellier Road, Brighton.

SHROPSHIRE AND MID-WALES BRANCH.—The next meeting of the Branch will be held at the Salop Infirmary, on Tuesday, March 27th, at 3 p.m. Mr. W. Eddowes in the chair. Gentlemen wishing to exhibit or read notes of cases, or to bring forward subjects for discussion, are requested to communicate with the honorary secretary, EDWARD CURETON, Shrewsbury.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.—The intermediate meeting of this Branch will be held at Colwyn Bay on Tuesday, March 20th, at 2 p.M. Members who wish to read papers, etc., or nominate candidates for membership, are requested to communicate at once with W. Jones-Morris, Honorary Secretary, Portmadoc.

EAST ANGLIAN BRANCH: ESSEX DISTRICT.—The next meeting will be held at the Saracen's Head Hotel, Dunmore, on Friday, March 23rd, 1888, at 2.30 p.m. R. B. Marriott, Esq., Swaffham, President of the Branch, in the chair. Notices of papers, etc., should be sent as soon as possible to C. E. Abbott, Braintree, Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: EAST LONDON AND SOUTH ESSEX DISTRICT.—The next meeting will be held in the Hackney Town Hall, on Thursday, March 15th, at 8.30 p.m. A paper will be read by A. J. Pepper, Esq., on Medical Evidence in Courts of Law. Visitors will be welcomed.—J. W. Hunt, Honorary Secretary, 101, Queen's Road, Dalston.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: SOUTH WILTS DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this Branch will be held at the Bath Arms, Warminster, on Wednesday, March 21s*, at 4 o'clock. Dinner at 6 o'clock. Tickets 5s., not to include wine. Members intending to be present, to communicate with the honorary secretary, H. J. MANNING, Laverstock, near Salisbury.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCE: BAST KENT DISTRICT.—The next meeting of the above District will be held at the Cottage Hospital, Ashford, on Thursday, March 15th, at 3 p.m. Dr. Wilks in the chair. The President kindly invites members to luncheon, between 1 and 2.39, at his house, 22, North Street. The dinner will take place at 5 p.m., at the Saracenis Head, price 6s. (exclusive of wine). All members of the South Eastern Branch are entitled to attend these meetings, and to introduce professional friends. N.B. All gentlemen purposing to dine are particularly requested to inform the chairman by Tuesday the 13th, that proper arrangements may be made.—W. J. Tyson, Honorary District Secretary, 10, Langhorne Gardens, Folkestone.

CEYLON BRANCH.

The inauguration of the Ceylon Branch took place on December 17th, 1887, when a large and representative gathering of the members of the profession met in the Hall of the Colonial Medical Library. The following gentlemen were present: W. R. Kyney, F.K.Q.C.P., Colombo; S. Archer, M.D., Brigade-Surgeon, Medical Staff, Colombo; J. L. Vanderstraaten, M.D., M.R.C.P.L., Colombo; W. G. Van Dort, M.D., C.M., Colombo; J. Loos, M.D., M.R.C.P.L., Kandy; The Hon. P. D. Anthonisz, M.D., F.R.C.S.E., Colombo; W. Dias, M.D., M.R.C.S.E., Galle; C. W. VanGeyzel, M.B., C.M., Colombo; H. Thornhill, M.B., Kandy; W. G. Rockwood, M.D., M.R.C.S.E., Colombo; J. Attygalle, M.D., M.R.C.S.E., Colombo; T. F. Garvin, M.B., C.M., Colombo; J. D. MacDonald, M.D., Colombo; S. Fernando, M.B., C.M., Colombo; H. A. Keegel, L.R.C.P.E., Colombo; M. Eleyatamby, M.R.C.S.E., Colombo; H. Huybertsz, L.R.C.P. and S.E., Kalatura; E. N. Schokman, L.C.M.C., Colombo; S. de M. Asserappa, M.D., Colombo.

Specimens.-The Hall of the Library was tastefully arranged, a number of side tables having been set apart for specimens of considerable interest. Table I contained a large and varied collection of Plaster-of-Paris Casts executed by a local artist under the direction of the late Dr. Koch. The specimens included the following: Casts of Talipes, of Potts's Fracture, of Stumps after Pirogoff's, Syme's, and Chopart's Operations; Subglenoid Dislocation of the Humerus, Fractures at the Wrist, Fractures of the Clavicle, of Cases of Elephantiasis Graccorum, Bronchocele, and various other conditions.—Table II contained Eight Ovarian Tumours from cases operated upon by the Hon. Dr. Anthonisz, Dr. Rockwood, of Colombo, Dr. Schokman, of Galle, and the late Dr. Koch.—Table III contained a large collection of Urinary and Biliary Calculi, Concretions round Foreign Bodies, and Salivary Calculi presented to the De Soyza Museum by Drs. Koch, Rockwood, Anthonisz, Vandersmagt, Garvin, and others.—On Table IV Dr. MACDONALD exhibited microscopic slides showing the Bacilli of Splenic Fever, Cholera, Lepra, Erysipelas, Tubercle, Typhoid Fever, Pyemia, Gonorrhea, and Actinomycosis, the Streptococcus of Pus, the Ova of the Round Worm, and the Cocci of Pneumonia. Several very good specimens of the Ova of the Anchylostoma Duodenale in different stages of development were shown taken from the fæces of patients at present under treatment from anchylostomiasis in the General Hospital at Colombo. The Embryo of the Worm was also shown.—On Table V Mr. Brito exhibited a collection of microscopic slides, showing Epithelioma, Fibroid Tumour, Lupus, Anchylostoma Duodenale (female and male), Parasites in Beef, Tricocephalus Dispar, besides preparations of various normal tissues.—Table VI contained a collection of Entozoa in spirits very neatly mounted for examination by Mr. Brito: 1, Oxyurus Vermicularis; 2, Amphistoma Explanatum (Buffalo?); 3, Tænia Solium (Human); 4, Tricocephalus Dispar (Human); 5, Lumbricoides (Human); 6, Tricocephalus (Horse); 7, Anchylostoma Duodenale.-Mr. Brito also exhibited well-executed Dissections of the Human Brain hardened in spirits.—On Table VII Dr. MacDonald exhibited a set of Esbach's Albuminometers, and a Portable Spirometer which attracted much attention.—Table VIII had the following preparations, exhibited by Mr. Brito: 1, Human Foetus and Membranes, about three or four weeks old; 2 Uterus and its Appendages, Fœtal Membranes and Cotyledonary Placenta; 3, Encephaloid Cancer of the Liver; 4, Heart of Frog showing Aortic Arches; 5, Blood-clot expelled Ten Days after Parturition (case of Puerperal Septicæmia); 6, Kidneys, Bladder, and Ureters of a Man-right kidney hypertrophied, left containing a calculus of the size of a small lemon; right pelvis and ureter distended; bladder carcinomatous.-The Museum of the Ceylon Medical College was also thrown open to the members.

Preliminary Proceedings.—At 12.30 p.m., in pursuance of notice, Dr. Loos moved that Mr. Kynsey, P.C.M.O., do take the chair. Brigade-Surgeon Dr. Archer seconded the motion.—Mr. Kynsey, having taken the chair, addressed the meeting and expressed his satisfaction at seeing such a representative gathering assembled to inaugurate the Ceylon Branch of the British Medical Association.

The first thing to do would be to complete the constitution tion. of the Council by electing three members not resident in Colombo to the vacant seats in the Council.—Dr. ATTYGALLE proposed, and Dr. Asserappa seconded: That Mr. Renny, M.B., C.M., Hatton; Surgeon Wallis, M.R.C.S., Army Medical Staff, of Galle; and Dr. James Loos, of Kandy, be elected members of Council under Section d, By-law 4. Carried unanimously. From the Council thus constituted the election of the office-bearers for the year 1888 took place.

Election of President.—Brigade-Surgeon Dr. Archen then proposed, that from the Council thus constituted, the meeting do elect Mr. W. R. Kynsey to be the first President of the Ceylon Branch.—Dr. VANDORT having seconded the motion, Mr. KYNSEY thanked the meeting for this expression of its confidence. He felt that his approaching departure from the island on leave would interfere with the proper discharge of those duties which would devolve upon him as President in the organisation and working of the Branch at its first start. He felt sure that the meeting would cordially join him in the nomination of the gentle-man whose name he would submit to them in his stead, a gentleman whose reputation in the medical profession had been established both here and in Great Britain, and who was his oldest friend in the island. He begged to propose the Hon. Dr. P. D. Anthonisz as the first President of the Ceylon Branch.—Mr. VAN-GEYZEL seconded. The Hon. Dr. P. D. Anthonisz was declared duly elected President of the Ceylon Branch. Mr. KYNSEY then vacated the chair to the PRESIDENT, who returned thanks for his election. He felt that by reason of his years his term of usefulness in the profession would necessarily be limited, but under the circumstances of the case he gladly accepted the responsibility of occupying the chair he had just assumed, and which he trusted Mr. Kynsey would, on a future occasion, occupy.

Officers.—On the proposal of Mr. KYNSEY, seconded by Dr. VAN-DERSTRAATEN, Brigade-Surgeon Dr. Archer, M.S., and Dr. W. G. VanDort were unanimously elected Vice-Presidents of the Branch. -Mr. THORNHILL proposed, and Dr. MacDonald seconded, the election of Mr. Henry Keegel as Honorary Secretary of the Braneh. Carried unanimously.—Mr. VANGEYZEL proposed the election of Dr. Vanderstraaten as Honorary Treasurer. Mr. HUYBERTSZ seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Representative on the Council of Association.—On the proposal of the President, seconded by Mr. Thornhill, Mr. Kynsey was nominated Representative from the Ceylon Branch to the Council of the parent Association.—Mr. Kynsey, in returning thanks, hoped that during his stay in Europe, he would be able personally, if necessary, to further the interests of the Branch there.

New Members.—The HONDRARY SECRETARY then proposed the

Vote of Thanks .- Dr. MACDONALD proposed, and Dr. ASSERAPPA seconded, that a vote of thanks be accorded to the Chair. The resolution was carried unanimously, and the meeting ended.

Luncheon.-All the members of the Association who were present at the meeting, and Surgeon-Major Stokes, M.S., Surgeon Birch, Mr. Spence, Mr. Cochran, Lecturer on Chemistry, and Mr. Meier, the medical superintendent of the Leper Asylum, assembled at 1.30 P.M., by the invitation of the Principal Civil Medical Officer, at Guyscliff, where they were entertained at luncheon. The only toasts were the "Health of Mr. Kynsey," which was proposed by Dr. Loos, and drunk with acclamation and hearty wishes of a pleasant voyage and safe return; and the "Health of the first President of the Ceylon Branch of the British Medical Association," proposed by Mr. KYNSEY, to which the Hon. Dr. Anthonisz replied.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE BRANCH.

An ordinary meeting was held on Tuesday, February 21st, 1888, at 7.30 P.M., at the Gloucester Infirmary, under the presidency of Dr. CURRIE.

Suppuration of Vitreous.-Mr. Bower showed a patient suffering from suppuration of the vitreous humour of the eye due to the presence of a steel chip. He had failed to see the fragment by the ophthalmoscope, and also to remove it by the electro-magnet. He pointed out the total absence of injury to the lens and cornea, or of inflammation.

Homæopathy.-Dr. Cubrie opened a discussion on the present osition of Homocopathy in relation to regular Medicine, in which he propounded the question whether the hand of brotherhood should not be held out to the homoeopaths, and concluded that it should. —Dr. Bond answered in the negative.—Mr. Waddy urged that all distinctions should be dropped.—Dr. Needham argued that no conciliation could be effected until the distinctive name be dropped. -Dr. BATTEN spoke strongly in favour of Dr. Currie's proposition. Mr. Ellis said there was much to learn from the homocopaths.-Dr. Souter said that, considering the great changes of opinion with regard to therapeutics, there was no reason for ostracising homeopaths.—Dr. CLARKE and Messrs. Bower, Cuthbert, and CARDEW also took part, and Dr. Currie replied. The meeting closed at 10 P.M

The result of this meeting was most important, showing the great feeling in favour of admitting homocopaths to equal fellowship, and, as far as the county of Gloucester is concerned, having settled the question as to the right of holding

consultations with them.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

A MEETING was held at the County Hotel, Carlisle, on Friday, The chair was taken by Dr. McLEOD, February 24th, 1888. Hawick, President, at 6 P.M. Twenty-four members and five visitors were present.

New Members.—The following were elected members of the Branch: William Blair, M.D.Glasg., Jedburgh; William Henry St. Leger Carter, L.R.C.P. and S.Ed., Conishead Priory; Donald Macgregor, M.D.Ed., Denholm, Hawick; Charles John Tiffen, M.D.Ed., Wigton.

Process of Compensation .- Dr. BYROM BRAMWELL, of Edinburgh, read a paper on the process of compensation and its bearing on prognosis and treatment, which was illustrated with specimens and drawings.—In the discussion which followed, the President and Drs. J. Anson, Haddon, Barnes, Maclaren, Green, Macdougall, Lockie, Altham, and Campbell took part.—Dr. BRAMWELL replied.

Vote of Thanks.-A vote of thanks was accorded to Dr. Bram-

well, on the motion of Dr. HADDON.

Hypertrophy of Breasts.—Dr. Muin, Selkirk, read notes of a case of hypertrophy of the mamme, and showed photographs.

Operation for Rectal Hæmorrhage.—Dr. Altham (Penrith) read notes of a case. A woman, aged 34, had had bleeding from the bowel for fourteen years, with much suffering. As none of the ordinary causes of hæmorrhage were found, the redundant skin round the anus was cut away, with the object of leaving a considerable surface to granulate and contract. The operation was

completely successful.

Case of Herniotomy with Omental Cysts.— Dr. Altham read notes of a case in which a woman, aged 70, was operated on for strangulated hernia. On cutting down it was found that what seemed like a knuckle of strangulated bowel was really a cyst in the omentum, which had been bruised during taxis. After making sure that no portion of bowel was contained in this sac, the omentum was ligatured and cut off. The patient did well, but it would no doubt be better in such cases to open the cysts and explore the cavity with the finger, so as to make sure that none of the bowel was included.

Intracranial Hamorrhage in a Boy.—Mr. T. P. DEVLIN (Carlisle) read notes of a case of cerebral hamorrhage in a boy aged 11, who till three hours before his death had enjoyed good health. Postmortem examination did not reveal disease in either thoracic or abdominal organs; but there was a large cavity filled with recent

clot situated in the right hemisphere of the brain.

Supper.—Twenty-one gentlemen sat down to supper.

Next Meeting.—The next meeting of the Branch will be held in spring, at Cockermouth.

THE Duke of Bedford, as Lord-Lieutenant of the County, and the Lord Bishop of the diocese have become patrons of the Huntingdon County Hospital, and the Earl of Sandwich has been elected President, vice Baron de Ramsey, deceased.

JOHNSTONE COMBINATION HOSPITAL.—The Combination Hospital, which has been built at Johnstone to meet the requirements of five parishes, at the cost of £2,200, has been inspected by a Government officer, and pronounced thoroughly satisfactory, and is to be opened at the end of the month.

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SURGEON H. ST. C. CARRUTHERS, Madras Establishment, Civil Surgeon at Tellicherry, and acting Principal Medical Storekeeper, is appointed Civil Surgeon of Rajahmundry, in succession to Surgeon-Major H. M. G. Archdall, who has returned to the Military Department, but to continue to act as Principal Medical Storekeeper, until relieved by Brigade-Surgeon R. E. Pearse.

Surgeon J. N. Van Geyzell, M.B., Acting Chemical Examiner, is appointed Civil Surgeon of Negapatam, nice Surgeon T. H. Pope, but to continue to act as Chemical Braminer until relieved by Surgeon-Major C. J. M. Nally, M.D.

Surgeon H. Herbert, Bombay Establishment, is placed on general duty in the Northern Division.

Surgeon-Major C. F. Ogilvie, M.D., Bombay Establishment, has been granted leave out of India for one year on medical certificate.

Surgeon-General W. J. Moork, C.I.E., Bombay Establishment, has retired from the service from February 25th, on a pension of £550 per annum payable in England. He entered the service November 26th, 1850, and rose to be Surgeon-General April 1st, 1885. He served with the Persian Expeditionary Force in 1856-57, and was present at the landing at Hallish Bay, and at the capture of Bushire (medal with clasp).

Deputy Surgeon-General John Pinkerton, M.D., Bombay Establishment, is appointed Surgeon-General with the Government of Bombay, vice Surgeon-General W. J. Moore.

Surgeon-Major J. G. Pitcher, Bengal Establishment, Civil Surgeon of Howrah, is appointed to be Civil Surgeon of Darjeeling.

Surgeon-Major T. C. Moore has been admitted to the Madras Establishment from November 2nd.

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To be Surgeons, dated March 31st, 1887.—Bengal.—W. H. W. Billiot, James Murray, W. R. Clark, G. F. W. Braide, R. J. Marks, C. E. Sunder, M. A. Ker, A. R. Jolliffe, Andrew Buchanan, P. O. W. Halley, L. G. Fischer, William Vost, John Garvif, C. B. L. Gilbert, H. W. G. Macleod, C. C. Manifold, and G. B. Irvine. Modros.—W. G. McRyoy, F. J. Crawforn, M.D., Dayid Simpson, Robert Robertson, T. C. Moore, A. H. Jacon, and W. H. Karney. Bombay.—C. H. L. Meyer, L. F. Childe, Herbert Herbert, and T. D. C. Barry.

To be Surgeons, dated October 1st, 1887.—Bengal.—A. R. Roberts, D. M. Davidson, F. P. Maynard, J. C. Lamont, A. H. Nott, Albert Coleman, W. W. White, M.D., D. T. Lane, M.D., R. C. Macwatt, W. H. E. Woodwright, W. J. Buchanan, J. K. Close, M.D., J. M. Macxamara, M.D., H. M. Brablaon, Modros.—W. H. M. Isgham, F. J. Dewes, J. O. Pinto, P. C. H. Stricland, and T. W. Stewart. Bombay.—Joshua Holt, T. H. Griffith, J. L. T. Jones, and W. K. Jennings.

Surgeons G. B. French, W. R. Clark, G. F. W. Braide, M. A. Ker, A. R. Jolliffer, P. O. W. Hailey, L. G. Fischer, W. Vost, J. Garvie, C. E. L. Gilbert, H. W. G. Macleodo, and C. C. Manifold, and the bengal Establishment, have passed the examination in Hindustani by the lower standard.

Surgeon J. A. Clark, late of the Bengal Establishment, died at Ayr, N.B., on March 3rd.

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The undermentioned officers have leave of absence for the periods specified: Surgeon-Major T. Robinson, M.B., Bengal Establishment, for one year and 125 days on private affairs; Surgeon-Major G. M. J. Giles, M.B., Bengal Establishment, Surgeon Major E. Palner, Bengal Establishment, Surgeon-Major E. Palner, Bengal Establishment, Medical Officer 9th Native Cavalry, for one year on private affairs; Surgeon-Major M. J. T. J. Blancard, Madras Establishment, for six months; Surgeon-Major J. Hunter, Madras Establishment, in medical charge of the 5th Native Infantry, for one year: Surgeon H. D. Masan, Bombay Establishment, Medical Officer 30th Native Infantry, for six months on private affairs.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

MR. JAMES HUNTER, M.B., who has been Acting Surgeon to the 5th Volunteer Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders (late the 1st Argyll Volunteers), since January 9th, 1884, is now appointed Lieutenant in the same corps.

Mr. Charles Downing has been appointed Acting Surgeon to the 3rd Volunteer Battalion Welsh Regiment (late the 2nd Glamorgan), and Mr. P. P. Langford is appointed Acting Surgeon to the 21st Middlesex (Finsbury).

Surgeon-Commandant James Cantlle, M.B., has resigned his commission in the London Division of the Medical Staff Corps; his appointment bore date April 1st, 1885.

ARMY MEDICAL OFFICERS AND THE SERVICE CLUB.

X. writes from the Junior United Service Club, London, S.W.: Twenty candidates of various ranks in the army and navy, from sub-licutenant upwards, were up for election to this club on February 25th. Amongst the candidates were two officers of the Medical Staff, and with the exception of these two officers all the others were duly elected. I know nothing personally or by repute of these two blackballed officers, but as they were proposed and seconded by officers of standing in the service, presumably there is nothing against them except that they belong to the Medical Service. I bring the matter to your notice as another instance of the class feeling which exists even in club military life.

INDIA AND THE COLONIES.

INDIA.
SUBGEON C. J. ADDISON, Medical Staff, who successfully established an ambulance association in Quetta last year, has now organised with much success a similar association under the patronage of Major-General D. MacFarlan (commanding the Sirhind Division) at Umballa. Dr. Addison's lectures on "First Aid" are,

we understand, being attended by a large class.

A COMMITTEE meeting of Lady Roberts's Homes in the Hills for Soldiers' Nurses in India was held on Friday, March 2nd, at 37,

Wimpole Street, under the presidency of Her Royal Highness Wimpole Street, under the presenting.

Princess Christian. Arrangements were made for developing the organisation with a view of receiving further subscriptions. The amount collected since January 1st, 1888, is £1,108, in which sum is included a donation of £100 from Her Majesty the Queen.

HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY MANAGEMENT.

THE VICTORIA DISPENSARY, NORTHAMPTON. THE annual report presented at the annual meeting of the Northampton Royal Victoria Dispensary, after stating that the Society now contained over 17,000 members, 6,454 of whom were paid up, and that there had been 3,000 fresh admissions during the year, proceeded to show that £1,820 19s. 11d. had been paid to the five members of the medical staff as follows: Mr. Moxon, £435 18s. 6d.; Mr. Evans, £286 1s. 4d.; Mr. Cogan, £140 13s. 11s.; Mr. Spurgin, £362 6s. 3d.; Mr. Rac, £595. At first sight this amount looked large, but this was really not so, as 69,492 attendances had been made during the year -42,542 at the patients' own houses. Thus only 61d, per visit or attendance was paid, but still no complaints whatever had been made. In addition to this, over 63,500 prescriptions were made up; and at the dispensary 500 permanent and 592 temporary teeth were drawn. Altogether there was upwards of £2,485 paid for ordinary members, and £148 10s.6d. by honorary members during the year, which, with a balance brought forward, made the receipts £3,815 1s. 7d. The expenses of the institution were over £2,576 0s. 5d., which left in hand £1,230 1s. 2d., a rather larger favourable balance than last year.

THE LEEDS GENERAL INFIRMARY.

THE annual report of this important institution contains some especially interesting features. The number of inmates for the year was 4,601 against 4,167 in the preceding year. The number of out-patients was 23,000. The average cost of each in-patient was £2 12s. 10d. The annual subscriptions had slightly fallen off with one most important exception, those from the working classes. The income from the subscriptions of the working men showed a noble increase. It amounted to £3,646 for the year as against £3,738 annual subscriptions from other sources, and showed an increase of £1,515 over that of the preceding year. In addition to this there had been a gift of two ambulances from the work-people of Leeds, for which £328 was raised. A new semiconvalescent hospital will be opened in May, with accommodation for forty-two beds. This is provided by the benefaction of Mr. North, who will defray the entire cost, which is something over £5,000. A further requirement is for isolation wards for violent patients and those having infectious diseases. It is proposed to erect a new building for isolation, pathological, and out-patient purposes, of which the cost would not be less than £20,000. The receipts from Hospital Sunday amounted this year to £1,799 as against £2,101 last year.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, SHEFFIELD.

THE Children's Hospital has been undergoing alteration and enlargement, and at the annual meeting, held on March 2nd, the report stated that the new buildings would be ready for use by April. The buildings comprise boys' and girls' wards, which would hold fifteen beds each, isolating room, operating room, and suitable offices. They have been erected on vacant land at the back of the old building, and are connected to the old block by a covered way. The buildings have been so constructed that a second story can, if necessary in the future, be erected. The old building has been altered inside, and in future will be used only for out-patients, and the accommodation of the matron and her staff.

ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL.

THE annual meeting of the governors of this institution was enlivened by resolutions, of which notice had been given by Mr. Leveson Gower, to the effect (1) that no two members of a firm or family be on the active staff at the same time, excepting under special circumstances; (2) that no medical or surgical officer be more than twenty years on the active staff, or after sixty years of age. These resolutions had been preluded by some very silly anonymous letters which have appeared in the local papers, and there was a good attendance of governors in consequence. It especially after the death of a son to whom he was much attached, he became extremely pale, and so feeble that fears were entertained that he was the subject of pernicious anæmia. Mr. Curling became a Member of the College of Surgeons in December, 1832, and was elected an honorary Fellow eleven years later in December, 1843.

The most important perhaps of his original observations was the discovery of the association of ulcers of the duodenum with burns on the skin. His paper on this subject was published in 1842. His larger works, however, on Tetanus (a prize essay), on Diseases of the Testis, and on Diseases of the Rectum, abound in

careful clinical research.

During the early part of his life Mr. Curling resided in Broad Street, City, but about 1858 he removed to Grosvenor Square, alleging to his professional friends that he knew where his best patients came from. At this date his practice was chiefly in reference to diseases of the testis, and this was possibly never a very successful speciality. It afterwards developed more in the direction of the Mr. Curling was a Fellow of the Royal Society, and this honour, like others, had fallen to him early in life. He had been an Examiner at the College of Surgeons, his term of office commencing in 1871. He was elected to the Council of that body in 1864, in the same year with Mr. Le Gros Clark, and he was President in 1873. In 1834 he carried off the Jacksonian prize for his essay on "Tetanus." Mr. Curling had studied his profession widely, and took a deep interest in it. He never did slovenly work, but took great pleasure in collecting information on any new topic that had claimed his attention. Although his practice became eventually somewhat special, yet that his tastes were by no means limited may be shown by reference to the papers which he wrote for the Medico-Chirurgical Society. His first, in the twentieth volume, 1837, was on Atrophy of Bone. Two years later he wrote on Congenital Absence of the Pericardium, and on a case in which worms were voided by the urethra. In the twenty-third volume there was a paper on what could then be described as a rare species of hydatid found in the human liver, the echinococcus hominis. In volume twenty-five was his original observation on acute ulceration of the duodenum in cases of burn. few years later he was investigating the literature of cases of hypertrophic development of the digits in connection with a remarkable example of it then under his observation at the London Hospital. Of these cases casts are to be found both in the London Hospital Museum and in that of the College of Surgeons. In the year 1844 we find him again contributing to the Society's Transactions on the subject of hydatid, and also on the treatment of varicocele. After these papers follows one on a fatal case of large hæmatocele, and in 1850 a very important report on "Two Cases of Absence of of the Thyroid Body and Symmetrical Swellings of Fat Tissues at the Sides of the Neck, connected with Defective Cerebral Development." In this paper we have in some sort the germs of modern doctrines as to the association between absence of the thyroid and general changes in nutrition (myxædema of Gull and Ord). This respectable list by no means comprises all Mr. Curling's papers in the Medico-Chirurgical Transactions, nor does it exhaust their variety as to subject. In the thirty-sixth volume he wrote on Cystic Disease of the Testicle, and next year on a case of Traumatic Aneurysm of the Ophthalmic Artery, consequent on Injury to the Head, cured by Ligature of the Common Carotid. His last, and perhaps his most important, paper was in the year 1860, and was entitled An Inquiry into the Treatment of Congenital Imperfections of the Rectum by Operation, founded on the Analysis of One Hundred Cases, nine of which occurred in the practice of the author.

It is about fifteen years since Mr. Curling resigned his surgeoncy at the London Hospital, under the rule of the institution, and very much to the regret of his colleagues. He was then elected consulting surgeon, and he remained for several years longer actively engaged in private practice. Declining health induced him at length to leave London, and for some years past he had lived at Brighton, and had retired wholly from professional

pursuits.

A not uninteresting reminiscence of Mr. Curling and of a past generation is the circumstance that it was through him that a paper on the possibility of seeing the fundus of the eye and the usefulness of such investigation as an aid to diagnosis was presented to the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society. This was in 1846, Mr. Curling being then assistant-surgeon to the London Hospital, and Mr. Cumming, the author of the paper which thus foreshadowed the ophthalmoscope, one of its house-surgeons.

Mr. Curling was by nature somewhat cold, and did not lay him-

self out either to make friends or to obtain praise. His character was, however, one of singular honesty and straightforwardness, and he had a kind heart. He secured and kept the deep respect of all who knew him.

RICKARD PATRICK BURKE TAAFFE,

M.D., M.S.LOND., F.R.C.S.ENG., S.S.C.LOND AND CAMB. Dr. TAAFFB, medical officer of health for Brighton, died at his residence in that town on Saturday, March 3rd, in his 60th year. His last illness, which lasted for nearly four months, was of an obscure nature, and it needed a post-mortem examination completely to clear up the cause of death. This apparently resulted from exhaustion accompanying the formation of a feetid urinous abscess which had its origin from perforation of the upper dilated portion of the left ureter, which was plugged about two inches and a half from the kidney by a small calculus. The patient was under the able care of Mr. Jowers, and was seen in consultation by Sir James Paget.

Dr. Taaffe was born in the west of Ireland, but came to England early in life. He received his professional education at St. Bartholomew's, and, as will be seen by the heading of this notice, distinguished himself by taking the highest qualifications medicine, surgery, and sanitary science. He came Brighton in 1856, and entered into partnership with He came late Sir John Cordy Burrows, upon the dissolution of which he engaged in independent practice. In 1858 he was appointed Assistant-Surgeon to the Brighton and Sussex Eye Infirmary, with which institution he was connected as Consulting Physician at the time of his death. Dr. Taaffe in 1874 became the first medical officer of health for Brighton, and the important duties of this office he carried out with assiduous attention until his last illness laid him aside. He was President of the Brighton and Sussex Medico-Chirurgical Society in 1877-8, President of the Section of Public Medicine at the annual meeting of the Association lately held in Brighton, and in 1881 took a prominent part in the proceedings of the Brighton Health Congress. The Royal Alexandra Hospital for Sick Children owes its existence almost entirely to the subject of this notice, and he at all times took the liveliest interest in its well-being. It was in connection with the opening of this hospital that the Prince and Princess of Wales, with their daughters, visited Brighton on July 21st, 1881; and on this occasion Dr. Taaffe, upon formally asking the Prince to declare the building open, presented His Royal Highness with a gold key made to fit the principal lock of the building. Shortly after the opening of the new hospital Dr. Taaffe was presented with a gold watch and chain, and cheque for £283, in part recognition of his great services to the institution. Dr. Taaffe leaves a widow and two sons to mourn his loss.

JOHN WHITE, M.D.GLAS., L.F.P.S.

Dr. John White, a well known practitioner on the south side of Glasgow, died on March 2nd, of inflammation of the lungs. A native of Kirkwall, he studied in Glasgow University, where he was for a time Demonstrator of Anatomy under the late Professor Allen Thomson. In 1874 he was President of the Southern Medical Society. He died at the age of 57, and leaves a widow and grown up family, the eldest son being a recent graduate of Glasgow, now in practice in Balfron.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

CAMBRIDGE.

It is worthy of note, as proving that Cambridge medical students take their full share in the activities of the University, that the stroke of the University boat, Mr. J. C. Gardner, of Emmanuel, is studying medicine at the Cambridge School.

THE Council of the Senate has reported against the proposal to grant the degrees and membership of the University to women.

PROFESSOR MACALISTER is nominated an elector to the Professorship of Chemistry.

BRUSSELS.

To the list of names of gentlemen who passed the Doctorate Examinations of the University and were admitted to the degree of M.D. published in the JOURNAL on February 25th, p. 445, should be added G. B. Flux, L.S.A.

MEDICAL NEWS.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following Vacancies are announced:

BRITISH SEAMAN'S HOSPITAL, Cronstadt, St. Petersburg.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £180 per annum, with furnished apartments, etc. Applications to H. M. Consul, St. Petersburg.

CITY OF ABERDBEN.—Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £300 per annum-Applications by March 14th to W. Gordon, Esq., Town Clerk, Aberdeen.

CLOGHER UNION.—Medical Officer, Aughnacioy Dispensary. Salary, £115 per annum, and fees. Applications to Honorary Secretary of Committee. per annum, and fees. A Blection on March 14th.

COTON HILL LUNATIC HOSPITAL.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, etc. Applications by March 10th to the Medical Superintendent.

KAST LONDON HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Shadwell, E. - Resident Clinical Assistant. Board and lodging. Applications by March 22nd to the

GLENMUICK PAROCHIAL BOARD, Parishes of Glenmuick, Tullick and Glengairn.—Medical Officer. Salary, £45 per annum. Applications by March 20th to the Inspector of the Poor, Ballater.

HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST,

Brompton. Resident Clinical Assistants. Applications by April 7th, to the Secretary.

LEICRSTER INFIRMARY AND FEVER HOUSE.—Assistant House-Surgeon.
Salary, £50, wirh board, etc. Applications by March 10th to the Secretary, 24, Friar Lane, Leicester.

LIVERPOOL DISPENSARIES .- Two Assistant Surgeons. annum, with board, lodging, etc. Applications by March 24th, to R. R. Greene, Esq., Secretary, Leith Office, Moorfields, Liverpool.

LUDLOW UNION.—Medical Officer, Munslow District. Salary, £70 per annum, and fees. Applications by March 10th to W. J. Holyoake, Esq., Clerk, Poor-Law Office, Ludlow.

MALE LOCK HOSPITAL, Dean Street, Soho.—House-Surgeon. Salary. £50 per annum, with board and lodging. Applications by March 19th, to the Secretary, Lock Hospital, Harrow Road, W.

OWENS COLLEGE, Manchester.—Professor of Obstetrics. Applications by March 20th to the Registrar.

ROSS-SHIRE, Parish of Resolis and District.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £62 per annum. Applications by March 17, to R. J. Eillanders, Esq., Fortrose.

ST. HELEN'S FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' MEDICAL AID ASSOCIATION. Resident Medical Officer. Applications by March 20th to Mr. H. Whittle, Secretary, 85, Argyle Street, St. Helen's, Lancashire,

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH .-- Additional Examiner in Botany. £75 per annum, and £10 a year travelling expenses to a non-resident of Edinburgh. Applications by March 15th, to the Secretary.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road.—Clinical Assistants. Applications to Secretary.

YORK COUNTY HOSPITAL.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, 250, with board and lodging. Applications by March 15th to the Secretary, R. Holtby, Bsq., 5, New Street, York.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

Ballance, J. D., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S. appointed Resident Accoucheur to St. Thomas's Hospital.

BIDWELL, L. A., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., appointed House-Surgeon to St. Thomas's Hospital.

BLACKER, A. B., M.B., B.S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., L.S.A., appointed House-Surgeon to the Belgrave Hospital for Children, S.W.

BROWN, C., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant House-Surgeon to St. Thomas's Hospital.

BULSTRODE, H. T., M.B., B.C.Cantab., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Clinical Assistant in the Special Department for Diseases of the Throat at St. Thomas's Hospital.

BUSWELL, Ferberd Richard, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Physician to the Middlesex Hospital.

CALVERT. J. T., M.B.Lond., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Non-Resident House-Physician to St. Thomas's Hospital.

COOR, S. B., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant House-Physician to St. Thomas's Hospital. CRISP, E. H., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Clinical Assistant in the Special Department for Diseases of the Throat at St. Thomas's Hospital.

CROWTHER, J. W., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.S.A., appointed House-Surgeon to the District Hospital, West Bromwich, rice E. R. Woodhouse, M.B., C.M.Edin.

DRWAR, John, M.B., C.M.Glasgow, appointed Medical Officer of the Parish of Duirnish, Skye, vice Dr. Campbell, deceased.
 DIXON, J. R. L., M.R.C.S.E., L.R.C.P.Ed., L.M., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Bournemouth Friendly Societies Medical Association.

DURRANT, T. A., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Clinical Assistant in the Special Department for Diseases of the Skin at St. Thomas's Hospital.

Fraser, W. David, M.B., C.M.Edin., appointed Medical Officer to the Collieries of Cardenden, Denend and Dundonald, in Fifeshire. HARDY, W. E., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., appointed Assistant House-Surgeon to the East Suffolk Hospital, Ipswich.

HABRIS, W. J., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., appointed Assistant House-Surgeon to the Birmingham General Hospital, rice W. Chamberlain, resigned.

MARRISON, H. L., M.B., M.R.C.S., appointed Junior House-Surgeon to the Metropolitan Hospital, Kingsland Road, vice F. A. Spreat, M.R.C.S.Eng., L.S.A., resigned.

HAWRINS, F. S., B.A., M.B., B.S.Oxon., F.R.C.S., appointed House-Surgeon to Guy's Hospital.

HEATHERLEY, F., M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S., appointed House-Physician to Guy's Hospital.

HOGAN, B. F., appointed Medical Officer to the Coolrain Dispensary, Mount-mellick Union, vice T. G. B. Hatton, L.R.C.P. Edin., L.M., deceased.

Hoole, Henry, M.D.Lond., M.R.C.S.Eng., appointed Surgical Registrar and Anæsthetist to the National Orthopædic Hospital, vice A, W. Wheatley, M.B., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.S.A., resigned.

JOLY, E. N., M.R.C.S. Eng., L.R.C.P. Lond., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the French Hospital, Leicester Square, vice J. G. Westlake, L.R.C.S.I., resigned.

LANKESTER, Frank, L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S., L.D.S.Kng., appointed House-Surgeon to the National Dental Hospital, Great Portland Street, W., vice Charles A. Pattinson, L.D.S.Eng., resigned.

LOTZ, H., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Clinical Assistant in the Special Department for Diseases of the Ear at St. Thomas's Hospital.

MARTIN, D. C., M.A., M.D., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Stourport Friendly Societies Medical Association.

MARRIOTT, Hyde, M.B., B.Sc.Lond., appointed House-Physician to University College Hospital.

MOORHEAD, H., L.R.C.S.I., L.M., appointed Medical Officer to the Moate Dispensary, Athlone Union, vice R. V. Kelly, L.R.C.P.Edin., F.R.C.S., resigned.

NAIRN, R., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Resident House-Physician to St. Thomas's Hospital.

ORD, W. W., M.A., M.B., B.S.Oxon., M.R.C.S. (Extu.), appointed Resident House-Physician to St. Thomas's Hospital.

ROBERTS, E. T., M.B., C.M.Edin., appointed Assistant House-Surgeon to the Children's Hospital, Birmingham, vice L. A. Hawkes, M.B., C.M.Edin., resigned.

ROUCH, C. F., M.B., B.S., appointed House-Physician to Guy's Hospital.

Sanson, H. A., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Clinical Assistant in the Special Department for Diseases of the Skin at St. Thomas's Hospital.

Solly, R. V., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant House-Surgeon to St. Thomas's Hospital.

STABB, E. C., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., appointed House-Surgeon to St. Thomas's Hospital.

STEWART, Donald, M.D., appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Throat and Ear Hospital, Nottingham.

TONKING, J. H., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Clinical Assistant in the Special Department for Diseases of the Ear at St. Thomas's Hospital.

WILLIAMS, A. H., M.A., M.B., B.C.Cantab., appointed House-Surgeon to Guy's

Hospital.

WILLIAMS, Lionel, M.R.C.S., appointed Senior House-Surgeon to the York County Hospital, vice E. G. F. Morris, M.R.C.S.Eng., resigned.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—The annual general meeting was held at the college on Wednesday, February 29th, Mr. Eric Erichsen, F.R.S., President, in the chair. In moving the adoption of the report, the Chairman alluded to the proposed Albert University of London, and said it should be fully understood that University College was not in any way animated by hostility to the existing University of London. The following were admitted lifegovernors of the college: Sir F. Leighton, P.R.A.; Professor E. S. Beesly; Professor H. S. Foxwell; Professor D. Oliver, F.R.S.; Sir J. N. Douglass, F.R.S.; Mr. W. H. Perkin, Ph.D., F.R.S.; Mr. H. H. S. Cunynghame; Mr. L. H. Courtney, M.P.; and Mr. E. Maunde Thompson, LL.D. The following were elected fellows of the college: Mr. Walter Asburner, B.A.; Miss Louisa Macdonald, M.A.: Miss Alice L. S. Riding, M.A.; Mr. J. J. Powell, M.D.; Mr. S. Rideal, D.Sc.; Mr. R. D. Roberts, D.Sc.; and Mr. P. D. Turner, M.D.

THE PORTSMOUTH HOSPITAL.—The report presented at the annual meeting of the Portsmouth Hospital showed that the work of the hospital had been well maintained. The number of in-patients for the year had been 773, exceeding the total of 1886 by 108. In the out-patient department the cases treated numbered 3,226, and casualties 1,424. The Committee had, after due consideration, arranged to receive probationers for training as nurses, and also to maintain a staff of competent nurses to attend private families. Dr. J. Ward Cousins and other gentlemen present expressed great regret at the retirement of the Chairman, the Rev. E. J. Grant. Dr. Cousins pointed out that in the improved hospital there would be bed space for at least ninety-eight patients, and in the children's department for thirty-six.

NEW MEDICAL LIBRARY IN PARIS.—A library in connection with the pathological museum of the Hôpital St. Louis has just been opened. It contains the most important works in every branch of medical science, and numerous French and foreign medical journals. It is open free to all practitioners and students of medicine. French and foreign physicians are invited to contribute their own works to this library, the foundation of which is due to the efforts of the medical and surgical staff of the Hôpital St. Louis, and which is under the patronage of the Administration of the Assistance Publique.

THE ROYAL ALBERT ORPHAN ASYLUM, BAGSHOT .- A part of the good work aimed at in any educational establishment for children should be to aid growth and development. The following statistical summary speaks well for the care taken of the children at the Royal Albert Orphan Asylum; it must be borne in mind that these children are taken from among the very poor, and have often been ill-cared for previous to their admission to the institution. The following figures have been carefully prepared and checked by Mr. Griffin, Superintendent.

.....5 ft. Annual increase in height and weight as shown for a period of about two years: Boys. Boys. Height......11 inch. Weight..... $8\frac{1}{2}$ lb. Girls.
Height.......1g inch.

Girls. Weight.....6 lb.

EDINBURGH NEW TOWN DISPENSARY .-- A classification of the diseases from which patients were suffering, and for which they were treated at Edinburgh New Town Dispensary, shows that diseases of the respiratory organs, including consumption, numbered 1,286; diseases of the digestive organs, 1,030; other diseases termed general, 1,030. There were 1,125 vaccinations and revaccinations, 291 cases of midwifery, and 511 extractions of teeth. There were visited at their homes during the year 2,310 patients. At the annual meeting of the subscribers held on Monday, and presided over by Dr. J. T. Mowbray, M.S., the reports containing the above and other details were read and approved.

GRANTS TO UNIVERSITY COLLEGES.—A deputation consisting of Dr. Wace (King's College), Sir George Young (University College), Professor Ramsey, Mr. Garnett (Newcastle), and Mr. Clowes (Nottingham), had a private interview with Sir William Hart-Dyke at the Education Department, Whitehall, with reference to grants in aid of University Colleges. Sir John Lubbock, who introduced the deputation, asked whether the Government had made up their mind to make a grant for University Colleges in accordance with the hopes held out by the Chancellor of the Exchequer last year. Sir William Hart-Dyke, having discussed the matter in detail with the deputation, promised to give them an answer shortly.

MR. SIDNEY STEPHENSON, M.B., medical officer in charge of the ophthalmic cases in the schools of the parish of Lambeth at Norwood, has been reappointed for a further term of three months. The special arrangements for the treatment of the eye cases in the Schools have now existed for fifteen months. The numbers under treatment are now less than they have been since Mr. Stephenson's appointment; no acute cases exist, the infirmary inmates being composed chiefly of chronic and intractable cases of granular lids, which require a long time and much local treatment to effect a cure.

REGULATION OF THE SALE OF FIREARMS.—The Bolton magistrates have suggested that a meeting of magistrates be called to make a representation to the Home Secretary on this subject, suggesting that, in view of the frequent improper use of firearms, restrictions should be placed upon their sale, especially to children and other irresponsible persons, and that a short Act be passed embodying the regulations.

Successful Vaccination.—Mr. A. Macdonald, L.R.C.P. and S. Edin., has for the second time received a Government grant for successful vaccination in the 1st Kirkoswald district of the Penrith Union.—Dr. R. Harvey Hilliard has received for the second time the Government grant for efficient vaccination for the Aylesbury District of the Aylesbury Union.

It is satisfactory to find that one vestry at least is taking steps to attack adulteration at its fountain head. A farmer living at Evercreech, Bath, who has been in the habit of supplying milk wholesale to London sellers, was this week summoned at the Lambeth Police Court for having adulterated his milk. He was fined £10, and £2 18s. 6d. costs.

SMALL-POX IN HAVANA.-The number of deaths from smallpox in Havana during the month of January was 274, showing a decrease of 98 as compared with December, 1887.

SMALL-POX AND PREGNANCY.-In Il Morgagni for December, 1887, Dr. G. Sangregorio publishes some statistics which he has collected from the records of the small-pox department in connection with the Ospedale Maggiore, at Milan, for the years 1884, 1885, 1886, and the first half of 1887, which show the special gravity of small-pox in pregnant women, both as regards the mother and the feetus. Out of a total of 72 cases, there were 31 miscarriages, and 26 deaths; the former being thus about 43, and the latter a little over 31 per cent. Among these 72 cases there were 7 of varioloid, with 1 miscarriage, and no death; 40 of discrete variols, with 10 miscarriages and 3 deaths; 22 of confluent small-pox, with 17 miscarriages (77 per cent.), and 29 deaths (19 per cent.). Lastly, in 3 cases of hæmorrhagic variola, there were 3 miscarriages and 3 deaths. From these figures it appears that the prognosis is favourable in varioloid, fairly good in discrete variola, bad in the confluent form, and hopeless in hemorrhagic small-pox.

THE French Association for the Advancement of Science has made the following grants for purposes of scientific research: 1,000 francs (£40) to M. Topinard, to aid him in completing his map showing the colour of hair and eyes in the different departments in France; 100 francs (£4) to Dr. Maurel for his researches on the causes of paludism; 200 francs (£8) to Dr. Léon Petit for the publication of the works of Jean Méry; 500 francs (£20) to M. Turquan for the publication of a statistical map of the French population.

A SHORT ROUTE TO BOURNEMOUTH.—On Monday last the direct line to Bournemouth, which shortens the journey to this popular home health resort by about forty minutes, was opened, and a number of gentlemen accepted the invitation of the railway company to visit Bournemouth on that occasion, a special train being placed at their disposal.

On October 15th, 1886, 3,966 students were registered in the Medical Faculty of Paris, and 582 began their professional studies on that date, of whom 479 were French and 103 foreigners. Among the latter there were 20 Americans, 20 Servians, 11 Roumanians, 11 Turks, with a sprinkling of several other nationalities. Eleven women (10 Russians and 1 Greek) have entered as medical stu-

It is proposed by the Manchester Medical Society, in consequence of the approaching departure of Dr. Cullingworth to London, to mark their sense of his services for many years past by presenting him with a suitable testimonial at a dinner which will be given at the Queen's Hotel, Manchester, on Thursday, March 15th, at 7 P.M., at which Dr. Dreschfeld, the President of the Society, will preside.

THE Committee, charged by the Belgian Academy of Medicine to report on public experiments in hypnotism, has come to the conclusion that they are dangerous, both morally and physically, and recommends the prohibition of them.

During the scholastic year 1886-87, 624 persons received the degree of "Doctor of Medicine" from one or other of the French Medical Faculties. Of these, 358 graduated at Paris, 114 at Bordeaux, 64 at Montpellier, 48 at Lyons, 26 at Nancy, and 14 at Lille.

MRS. LAMBERT, of Barnsley, has offered to build a fever hospital for that town at a cost of £4,000.

THE Rev. Dr. Dallinger, LL.D., F.R.S., who for some years has held the post of Governor of Wesley College, has resigned. His departure is felt to be a distinct loss to the town of Sheffield.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen having passed the necessary examinations in Surgery. and having since obtained Medical qualifications, were, at an ordinary meeting of the Council on March 8th, admitted Memberof the College.

G. Spear, L.S.A., 1, Albert Terrace, Moor Park, Preston; and C. E. Thomas, L.S.A., of Middlesex Hospital, W.

The following gentlemen having passed the necessary examinations, were, at the same meeting, admitted Licentiates in Dental Surgery.

D. H. Harris, 34. Bedford Square, W.C.: H. G. Henry, 38. Wellington Square, Hastings; F. J. Lankester, M.R.C.S.Eng., High Street, Leicester; R. P. Reading, M.R.C.S.Eng., Hyde Park, Sydney, N.S.W.: C. H. Smale, 11s. Oxford Street, Manchester; F. H. M. Van der Pant, Elm Lawn, Kingston-on-Thames on-Thames

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF BIGLAND, 4 P.M. — Professor Charles Stewart: On Locomotion and Allied Phenomena (Lecture I).

MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 8.30 P.M.—Mr. Herbert Allingham: On the Causes of Failure to Find the Colon in Lumbar Colotomy, and how they may be obviated. Mr. Malcolm Morris: Is Common Psoriasis a Constitutional or Local Disease?

TUESDAY.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON, 5 P.N.—Dr. W. J. Mickle: The Goulstonian Lectures: Lecture III. On Insanity in Relation to Cardiac Disease and Phthisis.

ROYAL MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY, 8.30 P.M.-Mr. Marmaduke Sheild: A Case of Neglected Dislocation of the Humerus, followed by Paralysis of the Nerves of the Hand and Forearm, treated by Excision of the Head of the Humerus. Dr. W. Hale White: On the Naked-eye and Microscopical Variations of the Human Thyroid Body.

WEDNESDAY.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, 4 P.M. — Professor Charles Stewart: On Locomotion and Allied Phenomena (Lecture II).

BRITISH GYNÆCOLOGICAL SOCIETY, 8:30 P.M.—Specimens will be exhibited by Dr. Savage, Dr. Heywood Smith, and others. Dr. Inglis Parsons: On the Changes produced by the Constant Current in Uterine Myomata. Dr. John Shaw: Electricity in Gynæcology; a Contribution to its Study. Medical batteries and other Electrical apparatus will be exhibited.

HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION, Brompton, 4 P.M.—Dr. Theodore Williams:
The Uses of the Pneumatic Cabinet in Lung Disease.

ROYAL MICROSCOPICAL SOCIETY, 8 P.M.-Mr. G. Massee: On the Type of a New Order of Fungi.

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 8 P.M.—Mr. B. G. Corney: Epidemic Cerebro-spinal Fever in the Fiji Islands in 1885.

HUNTERIAN SOCIETY, 8 P.M.-Adjourned Special General Meeting,

THURSDAY.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON, 5 P.M.—Dr. W. H. Dickinson:
The Lumleian Lectures: Lecture I. The Tongue as an Indication of Disease.

PARKES MUSEUM OF HYGIENE, 5 P.M.-Miss M. A Chreiman: On Physical Culture.

HARVEIAN SOCIETY OF LONDON, 8.30 P.M.—Clinical Evening. Mr. A. Q. Silcock: 1. Osseous Union in a Case of Fracture of the Patella treated by Malgaigne's Hooks; 2. A. Case of Conjugate Lateral Deviation of the Kyes. Dr. Sidney Phillips: Case of Hemiplegia in a Child, accompanied by Spasmodic Movement. Mr. Herbert Page: A Case of Traumatic Empyema and Pneumothorax. Cases by Mr. Treves and others.

Cases by Mr. Treves and others.

Neurological Society of London, 8:30 P.M.—Cases and Specimens, 8 P.M.

Dr. Sharkey: 1. Fatal Case of Tumour of Auditory Nerve; 2.

Case of Atrophy of Frontal and Parietal Lobes consequent on Prolonged Spinal Paralysis. Dr. Buzzard: 1. Sequel to a Case of Multiple Paralysis of Cranial Nerves; 2. Case of Peripheral Neuritis; 3. Case of Cerebral Tumour. Drs. Hadden and Sherrington: Sections showing Ascending Degenerations in Spinal Cord. Dr. Hadden: Ruptured Brachial Plexus; Question of Operation. Dr. Hale White: Pyrexia in Rabbits from Lesions of the Corpus Striatum. Dr. Beevor: Case of Bulbar Paralysis, with Clonus of Lower Jaw. with Clonus of Lower Jaw.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, 4 P.M. — Professor Charles
Stewart: On Locomotion and Allied Phenemena (Lecture III).

CANCER HOSPITAL, Brompton, 4.30 P.M.—Mr. F. Bowreman Jessett: On the Treatment of Cancer and Malignant Disease.

SOCIETY OF MEDICAL OFFICERS OF HEALTH, 7.30 P.M.—Dr. Louis Parkes:
Death-rates as Tests of Healthiness. Mr. C. A. Watts Parkinson: Notes of an Epidemic of Pneumonia.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

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BIRTH.

LOUDON.—On the 3rd instant, at Richmond Villa, Lea Bridge Road, Leyton, Resex, the wife of John A. Loudon, M.B., C.M., klin., of a daughter stillborn.

DEATHS.

Mason.—On March 5th, 1888, at 20, Belmont, Bath, Mary Anne, the wife of Frederick Mason, M.R.C.S.E., etc.

MORIARTY.—On February 13th, at Shajehampur, North-West Provinces, India, Janet, wife of Surgeon-Major M. D. Moriarty, M.B., Civil Surgeon, and second daughter of James Irving, M.D., late Surgeon-General of Bengal, aged 29.

John Burdett Steward, M.D., F.R.C.P., formerly of Southall Park, and The Shrubbery, Southall, in the 95th year of his age. Friends will please accept this, the only, intimation. No flowers. STEWARD.

WHITWORTH.—Whitworth, William, L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S., at Portslade, on the 25th ultimo, aged 26.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

Pres Hospital for Women and Children; St. Peters.—3 to 4
P.M.; King's College.

THURSDAY.......10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 P.M.: St. George's
—1.30 P.M.: St. Bartholomew's (Ophthalmic Department);
Guy's (Ophthalmic Department); Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Charing Cross; London; Central London Ophthalmic; Hospital for Diseases of the Throat; Hospital for Women.—2.30 P.M.: North-West London; Chelsea Hospital for Women.

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KING'S COLLEGE.—Medical, daily, 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; O.D., M. W. F., 12.30; Bye, M. Th., 1; Ophthalmic Department, W., 1; Bar, 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.D. W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 9; Rar, S., 9.30; Skin, Th., 9; Dental, Tu., 9.

MIDDLESEX.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; o.D. W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 8.30; Ear and Throat, Tu., 9; Skin, Tu., 4; Dental, daily, 9.

St. BARTHOLOMEW'S.—Medical and Surgical daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.D., W. S., 9; Eye, Tu. Th. S., 2; 30; Conthopædic, M., 2.30; Dental, Tu. F., 9.

St. George's.—Medical and Surgical, M. T. F. S., 1; Obstetric, Tu. S., 1; o.D., Tu., 2; Bye, W. S., 9; Ear, Tu., 2; Skin, W., 2; Throat, Th., 2; Orthopædic, W., 2; Dental, Tu., S., 9, Th., 1.

St. Mary's.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.45; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.45; o.D., M., Th., 1.30; Eye, Tu. F. S., 9; Ear, M. Th., 3; Throat, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th., 9.30; Hiectrician, Tu. F., 2; Dental, W. S., 9.30; Consultations, M., 2.30; Operations, Tu., 1.30; Ophthalmic Operations, F., 9.

St. TROMAS'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, M. Tu. Th., F., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; Op., Children, S., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.50; Obstetric, M. Tu. Th., F., 1.30; Eye, M. Tu. Th. F., 2; Ear, S., 1.30; Skin, W., 145, S.9.15; Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.30; Skin, W., 145, S.9.15; Throat, Th., 2.30; Ear, M., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

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my late brewings, not being in the former ones. I quite agree with Dr. Murrell as to the good tar works, and is invaluable to men having the care of parishes and clubs, and also to their private patients, for I have seen this do good where the more expensive and delicate flavoured mixtures were nowhere.

THE TITLE OF DR. AND L.R.C.P.ED., OLD AND NEW.

DR. WILLIAM DONOVAN (Birmingham) writes: While holding very strongly the view put forward some time back, "that the L.R.C.P.Ed.'s admitted prior to 1870 are and were entitled to use the title of Dr.," I would, with your permission, point out an alteration made by the College, whereby their old Licentiates are still further removed from the new ones. When I was admitted a Licentiate in 1869, I was presented with a copy of the rules and bylaws of the College. One rule was that "any Fellow, Member, or Licentiate who should by himself, co-partner, or assistant keep open shop for the sale of drugs or any other merchandise, should forfeit any rights or privileges he enjoyed as such Fellow, Member, or Licentiate." Now I have been informed that the rule has been dropped out of sight. And as the College has, by withdrawing this rule, and discouraging the use of the title of Dr., instituted a lower order of Licentiates, thus placing itself in competition with the Society of Apothecaries, I think the College ought (in justice to those who received the licence of the College under the older order of things) to grant some privilege whereby we may be distinguished from our younger brethren in the Licentiateship, an acknowledgment of its having conferred the Doctorate or the Membership.

TRUSSES FOR HERNIA.

M.D. writes: I have just read the description of Professor Rushton Parker's new truss for hernia, which certainly appears to be a very admirable instrument, but when a hernia becomes, as he describes, large, unwieldy, and widenecked, then from some long experience I do not think a more suitable instrument can be obtained than the water-pad truss made by Messrs. J. F. Pratt and Co., of 43. Oxford Street, W. They are made with large triangular-shaped pads of stout rubber filled with water, and overlap the pubes well, so as to prevent any chance of the gut escaping from the lower segment of the bagged ring. They are comfortable to wear, and as compared with a variety of other trusses I have tried, are more effective in their support and permit much freer motion than any I have tried. I am quite sure that medical men will not do amiss in recommending any of their patients to the care of Messrs. Pratt.

DIETARY OF A HOMEOPATHIC HOSPITAL. A CORRESPONDENT has discovered the following humorous lines in the Edinburgh Medical Journal, vol. iii (1857-8).

Take a robin's leg
(Mind! the drumstick merely),

Put it in a tub
Filled with water nearly;
Set it out of doors
In a place that's shady; Let it stand a week (Three days if for a lady).

Drop a spoonful of it
In a five-pail kettle,
Which may be made of tin

Or any baser metal: Fill the kettle up,

Fill the kettle up,
Set it on a-boiling,
Skim the liquor well
To prevent its oiling;
One atom add of salt,
For the thick'ning one rice kernel,
And use to light the fire,

The Homæopathic Journal.

Let the liquor boil
Half an hour, no longer (If 'tis for a man
Of course you'll make it stronger).
Should you now desire That the soup be flavoury, Stir it once around
With a stalk of savory.
When the broth is made Nothing can excel it; Then three times a day Let the patient smell it. If he chance to die 'twas Nature did it; Say If he chance to live Give the soup the credit.

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