

## SCOTCH UNIVERSITY AND COLLEGIATE BILLS.

**Universities (Scotland) Bill.**—The House of Lords went into Committee on this Bill on June 7th. Lord Rosebery proposed a definition of affiliation, as "such a connection between an existing University and College as shall be entered into by their mutual consent, under conditions approved by the Commissioners, or after the determination of their powers by the Scottish Universities Committee of the Privy Council." This proposal met with general approval, and was inserted. Lord Watson then inserted a definition of "College" as "an institution established on a permanent footing, for the purpose of teaching the higher branches of education, and which shall be sufficiently endowed, in the opinion of the Commissioners, and after the expiry of their powers, of the University Committee." Considerable objection was taken by Lords Camperdown, Watson, and Rosebery, to the number of the representatives of affiliated colleges on the University Court. It was thought that the representatives of the University might be swamped, and Lord Rosebery moved an amendment to leave the representation of the Colleges to the Commissioners. This, however, was lost on a division. Various other amendments were moved to increase the powers of the Court over property; to enable the Court to appoint certain committees, and to appoint certain representatives to the governing bodies of affiliated colleges, and on other small matters of detail, but most of them were postponed to the report stage. The Government amendments on the original Bill seem to have so cleared up doubtful points that but little of importance was left for discussion, and no attack was made on the general principles of the measure. After the Commissioners' names were inserted, the Bill passed through Committee, and was ordered to be reported. The Commission is to consist of Lord Kinnear (Chairman); the Dean of Faculty; the Earl of Crawford; Lord Watson; the Marquis of Bute; Dr. A. B. McGrigor; Sir Charles Dalrymple, M.P.; Mr. Craig-Sellar, M.P.; Mr. Donald Crawford, M.P.; Mr. J. A. Campbell, M.P.; Mr. Vary Campbell; and Sir James Crichton Browne.

**St. Mungo's College Bill.**—The Glasgow magistrates submitted to the Town Council at its last meeting a minute of date May 28th, stating that, having carefully considered this Bill and the representations made thereon by the directors of the Royal Infirmary and the Senate of the University, and having also had before them the fact that the Government have introduced a Universities Bill, applicable to all the universities of Scotland, under which provision is to be made for affiliating, incorporating with, or uniting colleges to, any of the universities, and for admitting the teaching of such colleges as qualifying for graduation in such universities, they resolved to recommend the Town Council not to take any action with reference to the St. Mungo's College Bill. The Lord Provost said this recommendation was made because it was thought the object sought might be better secured under the Universities (Scotland) Bill. It was pointed out that the St. Mungo's College was not "incorporated," and could not take advantage of the affiliating clauses of the Universities Bill, and after some discussion the council adopted the following general deliverance: "That this council is of opinion that in any measure for the better administration of the universities of Scotland provision should be made for the incorporation of institutions as colleges, with a view to being affiliated to one of the universities." The Town Clerk was instructed to forward a copy of this deliverance to the Secretary for Scotland.

## THE ASSOCIATION OF MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

THE following letter has been addressed to the Honorary Secretaries of the Association of Members of the Royal College of Surgeons by the Clerk to the Privy Council.

"Privy Council Office, Whitehall, June 7th, 1888.

"SIR,—I am instructed by the Lord President of the Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of May 31st, transmitting a petition addressed to Her Majesty in Council, praying that the petition of 4,665 Members of the Royal College of Surgeons, in relation to a proposed supplemental charter to that College and other papers in connection therewith, may be referred for the consideration of the Privy Council, or some members thereof, sitting in judicial capacity.

"In reply, I am instructed to inform you that the petition in

question, together with all other petitions on the subject, was referred by Her Majesty to a Committee of the Lords of the Council, and that, as no legal question was involved, their lordships did not think it necessary to hear counsel on the subject.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

C. L. PHIL.

"W. Ashton Ellis, Esq."

The Council have transmitted the following reply:—

"To the Right Honourable the Lord President of the Privy Council.

"14, Grosvenor Road, Westminster, S.W., June 12th.

"SIR,—I am instructed by the Committee of the Association of Members of the Royal College of Surgeons of England to acknowledge the receipt of your communication of June 7th.

"I am also instructed by the said Committee to state that they desire respectfully to point out that no reply has as yet been vouchsafed to the prayer of the petition, signed by 4,665 Members of the College, and lodged at the Privy Council Office on May 3rd, 1887, praying for participation by the Members of the Royal College of Surgeons of England in the management of their College and other matters, on all of which the said Committee and the general body of Members of the said College most anxiously await your lordship's answer.—I am, Sir, your lordship's most obedient servant,

WM. ASHTON ELLIS,

"Honorary Secretary to the Association of Members of the Royal College of Surgeons of England."

## ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

### COUNCIL.

#### NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Council will be held at the Offices of the Association, No. 429, Strand (corner of Agar Street), London, on Wednesday, the 18th day of July next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

June 14th, 1888.

#### NOTICE OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS FOR 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.

Meetings of the Council will be held on 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, June 27th, September 26th, and December 28th, 1888.

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 FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

#### GRANTS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

THE Scientific Grants Committee of the British Medical Association desire to remind members of the profession engaged in researches for the advancement of medicine and the allied sciences, that they are empowered to receive applications for grants in aid of such research. Applications for sums to be granted at the next annual meeting should be made without delay to the General Secretary, at the office of the Association, 429, Strand, W.C. Applications must include details of the precise character and objects of the research which is proposed.

Reports of work done by the assistance of Association grants belong to the Association.

Instruments purchased by means of grants must be returned to the General Secretary on the conclusion of the research in furtherance of which the grant was made.

#### 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, 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.

**ABERDEEN, BANFF, AND KINCARDINE BRANCH.**—The next meeting of this Branch will be held at the Braes of Gight on Wednesday, June 20th, at 1.45 P.M., the President, Dr. Smith, of Kinnairdy, in the chair. Business: 1. Minutes, nomination of new members. 2. Ballot for the admission of Dr. Jenkyns, Belize, British Honduras; Dr. W. L. Mackenzie, Royal Infirmary; Dr. W. R. C. Middleton, Royal Infirmary; Dr. Rannie, Peterculter; Dr. J. Scott Riddell, 7, Ferryhill Place; Dr. A. M. Will, Royal Infirmary. 3. Notes on Gight and its Castle, by Dr. Alexander Cruikshank, Aberdeen. An omnibus excursion to the Braes of Gight, through the grounds of Haddon House, has been arranged for those who can meet at Old Meldrum at 11.30 A.M. A train leaves Aberdeen at 10.20 A.M. and arrives at Old Meldrum at 11.30 A.M., where carriages will be in waiting. Dinner (inclusive of attendance but exclusive of wine) in a marquee at the Braes of Gight at 5s. per head. Arrangements have been made for members from Buchan to drive from Maud Junction (11.15 A.M.), and for those from Banff from Fyvie (1.15 P.M.) to the Braes of Gight, in time for the meeting and dinner, and returning to catch later down trains. Members from the north will meet the party at Inverurie at 10.50, those from the south and Deeside at Aberdeen at 10.20. A train leaves Old Meldrum at 5.25 P.M., arriving in Aberdeen at 6.40 P.M. Members are invited to bring medical friends.—ROBERT JOHN GARDEN and J. MACKENZIE BOOTH, Honorary Secretaries.

**BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.**—The twenty-first annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Penrith on Friday, July 13th. The chair will be taken by Dr. McLeod at 1.30 P.M. The usual election of office bearers for the year will be held. Dr. Robertson, Penrith, will deliver his presidential address. Intimations of papers for reading or communications of any kind should be sent to the Secretary as soon as possible.—H. A. LEDIARD, 41, Lowther Street, Carlisle, Honorary Secretary.

**CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND HUNTINGDONSHIRE BRANCH.**—The annual meeting of this Branch is appointed to be held at Ely on Friday, July 6th. Members wishing to make communications, to exhibit specimens, or to propose new members are requested to signify their intention to Dr. Anningson, Cambridge, for insertion in the order of proceedings.—BUSHELL ANNINGSON, Honorary Secretary.

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE, WORCESTERSHIRE, AND HEREFORDSHIRE BRANCHES.**—The conjoint meeting of these Branches will be held, under the presidency of Dr. Currie, at the Bell Hotel, Gloucester, on Tuesday, June 19th, when Dr. J. Hughlings Jackson will deliver an address on "The Diagnosis of Brain Disease." The meeting will be at 4, and dinner at 6 P.M.—G. ARTHUR CARDEW, G. W. CROWE, Honorary Secretaries, Cheltenham.

**METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.**—The thirty-sixth annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Holborn Restaurant on Wednesday, June 27th, 1888, at 5.30 P.M. President, Arthur E. Durham, Esq., F.R.C.S.; President-elect, C. Brodie Sewell, M.D. An address will be given by the new President. At 7 P.M. precisely the members will dine together; C. Brodie Sewell, Esq., M.D., President, in the chair; tickets, 7s. 6d. each, exclusive of wine.—GEORGE EASTES, M.B., 69, Connaught Street, W.; E. NOBLE SMITH, F.R.C.S., 24, Queen Anne Street, W., Honorary Secretaries.

**NORTH OF IRELAND BRANCH.**—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held in the Belfast Royal Hospital, on Wednesday, July 11th, at 4 P.M. Gentlemen who desire to read papers or to bring any other business before the meeting will kindly communicate as early as possible with the Secretary, JOHN W. BYERS, M.D., Lower Crescent, Belfast.

**READING AND UPPER THAMES BRANCH.**—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held in the Library of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, on Wednesday, July 11th, at 4.15 P.M. The chair will be taken by the President (Dr. C. H. Tench), who will introduce the President for the coming year (W. B. Holderness, Esq., of Windsor), who will then take the chair. Members willing to read short papers or bring forward cases of clinical interest are requested to communicate with the Honorary Secretary without delay. The annual dinner will take place on the same evening at 6.15 P.M., at the Queen's Hotel, Reading. Dinner tickets (5s. without wine, or 10s. including wine) should be obtained from the Honorary Secretary on or before Saturday, July 7th.—H. HEYGATE PHILLIPS, 43A, London Road, Reading, Honorary Secretary.

**SOUTH-WESTERN BRANCH.**—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter, on Tuesday, June 26th, under the presidency of Dr. John Woodman, F.R.C.S. Notices of motion or communications to be intimated to the Honorary Secretary without delay, and it will facilitate arrangements if members will inform the Honorary Secretary as soon as possible if they hope to be present at the meeting. The following motion was passed at the Council Meeting on May 2nd:—"That inasmuch as the annual meeting assumes more or less the character of a day of recreation, and with a view of encouraging the district meetings, the business of

the annual meeting shall be confined to the President's address, the business of the Branch, the exhibition of cases or of specimens with notes, and the annual dinner."—P. MAURY DEAS, Wonford House, Exeter, Honorary Secretary.

**SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTH BRANCH.**—The eighteenth annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Infirmary, Cardiff, on Wednesday, June 27th. Further particulars in circulars. Members wishing to read papers, etc., are requested to send titles to Dr. Sheen.—A. SHEEN, M.D., Cardiff, D. ARTHUR DAVIES, M.B., Swansea, Honorary Secretaries.

**WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.**—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Squirrel Hotel, Wellington, on Thursday, June 28th, at 4 o'clock. Abraham Colles, Esq., M.D., President-elect, will take the chair on its being vacated by Edward Stephens, Esq. The dinner will be at 6 o'clock. Members desirous of reading a paper or making a communication to the meeting are requested to give early notice to the Honorary Secretary; they are also requested to give early notice of their intention of attending the annual dinner.—W. M. KELLY, M.D., Honorary Secretary.

**YORKSHIRE BRANCH.**—The annual meeting of the Yorkshire Branch will be held in the Museum of the Yorkshire Philosophical Society at York on Wednesday, June 27th, when the representatives of the Branch on the General Council and the officers for the ensuing year will be elected. Members intending to read papers and show specimens, are requested to communicate at once with ARTHUR JACKSON, Secretary, Sheffield.

### EAST YORK AND NORTH LINCOLN BRANCH.

The thirty-second annual meeting was held on May 30th. There were thirty-eight gentlemen present.

**Report of Council.**—The retiring President, Mr. THOMPSON, having resigned the chair to his successor, Dr. FRANK NICHOLSON, and the minutes having been read, the SECRETARY read a brief report of the Council, and Mr. DIX, the representative of the Branch, made a statement.

**Election of Council, 1888-89.**—President: J. N. Nicholson, M.D. President-Elect: J. Merson, M.D. Ex-President: H. Thompson. Vice-Presidents: E. O. Daly, M.D.; E. H. Howlett. Secretary and Treasurer: E. P. Hardey. Representative of the Branch: J. Dix. Representative on the Parliamentary Bills Committee: R. H. B. Nicholson. Council: W. C. Appleton; T. M. Evans; G. F. Elliott, M.D.; M. D. Macleod, M.B.; D. Lawson, M.D.; H. W. Pigeon, M.B.; J. A. Locking; C. H. Milburn, M.D.

**Appointment of Medical Officers of Health.**—Mr. ROBERT H. BOURCHIER NICHOLSON proposed the following resolution: "That the interests of the public would be best served by the appointment of medical officers being entirely vested in the County Councils, instead of the District Councils, as arranged in the Local Government Bill." This was supported by Dr. MACLEOD, and opposed by Mr. APPLETON, Mr. KETLEY, and Mr. DIX. On a vote being taken, Mr. Nicholson's resolution was carried.

**New Members.**—Dr. Morley, of Barton, and Mr. Williams, of Hull, were elected.

**Grants of Money.**—Grants of £2 2s. were voted to the Medical Benevolent Fund and to the Royal Medical Benevolent College.

**Papers and Cases.**—A child with a large mixed nævus on the shoulder was exhibited by Mr. EVANS.—Dr. PIGEON gave a demonstration of the method of applying flannel and plaster-of-Paris splints, and spoke of their advantages.—Mr. EVANS read the notes of two cases of tumour of the bladder. In the first, a papillomatous growth was removed by suprapubic operation; the patient was shown. In the second, external urethrotomy was performed to explore the bladder, when a broad-based malignant growth was discovered; rigors and high temperature followed, and the patient died on the fourteenth day. One kidney was disorganised and the bladder ulcerated.—Mr. R. H. BOURCHIER NICHOLSON read the notes of a case of removal of the whole of the interior of the os calcis. Mr. Nicholson also read notes of two cases of removal of calculi from the kidney, and showed the calculi removed. He also exhibited calculi removed *post mortem* from two other cases.—Dr. EDWARD DALY read a paper on the hypodermic injection of morphine.

**Head Injury.**—Mr. TOMALIN exhibited a patient who had been run over by a furniture van. His frontal bone was dislocated at the suture, and was lying on the right cheek, the orbital plate being jammed into the brain. The orbital plate was removed, and a free drain was established from the frontal sinus down the nose, and the parts replaced. He had opium every four hours, and recovered without a bad symptom.

**Surgical Instruments.**—Surgical instruments were exhibited by Messrs. Wood, of York, and Messrs. Lynch, of London.

**Dinner.**—In the evening the members dined at the Vittoria Hotel. The President was cordially congratulated on his recovery from his recent severe illness.

### METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH; WESTERN DISTRICT.

THE last meeting of the District for the present season was held at the St. Marylebone Infirmary, Notting Hill, on Tuesday, June 5th. In the absence of the Vice-President, Dr. SINCLAIR THOMSON was voted to the chair. Nineteen members and visitors were present.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and confirmed.

**Treatment of Eye Affections.**—Mr. HENRY POWER read a paper on some points in the treatment of injuries and diseases of the eye, in the course of which he drew attention to the value of eserine and atropine respectively in cases of cuts of the cornea near the centre and near the periphery, prior to any attempt being made to reduce prolapsed iris. He also dwelt upon the great importance, in many cases of wounds of the eye, of applying a pad and bandage to both eyes instead of to one. Various cases were adduced in which, by the adoption of the principle of complete rest to both eyes, dangerous wounds of the ciliary region had completely recovered. Some remarks were also made on the treatment of cuts of the lids and of burns with lime.—A discussion took place, in which Dr. SINCLAIR THOMSON, Mr. LAMB, and Mr. LUNN took part, and Mr. POWER replied.

**Cases.**—Mr. LUNN then exhibited an interesting group of male and female patients, to the number of twenty-three, including five cases of locomotor ataxy, two cases of glaucoma, as well as various examples of iritis and cataract. Three most interesting cases of myxodema, a case of osteitis deformans, a case of ichthyosis of the tongue, one of popliteal aneurysm (cured), as well as examples of lateral and disseminated sclerosis, were among the diseases brought before the meeting.

**Re-election of Officers.**—The present officers of the District were then unanimously re-elected, and the proceedings closed by a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Power, Mr. Lunn, and the Chairman.

### BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.

THE sixth ordinary meeting of the session was held at the Museum and Library, Bristol, on Wednesday, May 30th, G. F. BURDER, M.D., President, in the chair. There were also present forty-six members and two visitors.

**New Members.**—The following gentlemen were elected: J. L. Livingston, M.A., M.D., M.Ch. R.U.I., Bristol; W. N. Nevill, M.B., B.Ch.T.C.D., Bristol; F. Woods, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Bath; C. E. F. M. Biggs, M.R.C.S., Malmesbury; F. E. Pearce, M.D., Frome.

**Joint Meeting.**—An invitation from the Gloucestershire Branch to a joint meeting at Gloucester with the Worcestershire and Herefordshire Branches was cordially accepted.

**Lunacy Acts Amendment Bill.**—After a prolonged discussion this subject was referred to a subcommittee consisting of Drs. Harrison, Bonville Fox, Marshall, Shaw, and Mr. Scott, with power to take such steps as they might think fit.

**Cases.**—Dr. F. ST. JOHN KEMM exhibited a case of Graves's Disease successfully treated with strophanthus.—Dr. J. MICHELL CLARKE exhibited two cases of Pseudo-hypertrophic Paralysis, upon which Drs. WIGAN and MARKHAM SKERRITT made some observations.—Mr. W. J. PENNY exhibited four cases of "Bone-setting," which Mr. Cross commented upon.

**Papers.**—Mr. C. F. PICKERING read a paper on the Treatment of Discharge from the Ear, which was discussed by Mr. HARSANT, Dr. SWAYNE, and Mr. EWENS.—Dr. J. G. SWAYNE read a paper on The Hour of Delivery. Drs. BEDDOE, AUST LAWRENCE, WAUGH, HINTON, DUNCAN, and the PRESIDENT joined in the discussion which followed.—Dr. H. WALDO read a paper on Embolic Hemiplegia.

## BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

### FIFTY-SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING.

THE fifty-sixth Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held at Glasgow, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, August 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th, 1888.

**President:** John T. Banks, M.D., D.Sc.(Hon.), F.R.C.S.P., Regius Professor of Physic in the University of Dublin.

**President-Elect:** Professor W. T. Gairdner, M.D., LL.D., Professor of Medicine in the University of Glasgow.

**President of the Council:** Thomas Bridgwater, M.B., J.P., Harrow-on-the-Hill.

**Treasurer:** Constantine Holman, M.D., J.P., Reigate.

An Address in Medicine will be delivered by Thomas Clifford

Allbutt, M.D., F.R.S., Consulting Physician, Leeds General Infirmary. An Address in Surgery will be delivered by Sir George H. B. Macleod, M.D., Surgeon in Ordinary to Her Majesty in Scotland.

An Address on his "Recent Investigations in Surgery" will be given by William Macewen, M.D., Lecturer on Clinical Surgery, Glasgow Royal Infirmary.

An Address in Physiology will be delivered by John Gray McKendrick, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., Professor of Institutes of Medicine, University of Glasgow.

All the rooms required for the purposes of the meeting will, by the kindness of the authorities, be provided in the University of Glasgow.

### PROGRAMME OF PROCEEDINGS.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7TH, 1888.

9.30 A.M.—Meeting of 1887-1888 Council. Randolph Hall.

11.30 A.M.—First General Meeting. Report of Council. Reports of Committees. Bute Hall.

4 P.M.—Service in the Cathedral. Sermon by the Very Rev. John Caird, D.D., LL.D., Principal and Vice-Chancellor of the University of Glasgow.

8.30 P.M.—Adjourned General Meeting from 11.30 A.M. President's Address. Bute Hall.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8TH, 1888.

9.30 A.M.—Meeting of 1888-89 Council. Randolph Hall.

10.30 A.M. to 2 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

3 P.M.—Second General Meeting. Address in Medicine by Thomas Clifford Allbutt, M.D., F.R.S. Bute Hall.

9 P.M.—*Conversazione* given by the Professors of the University

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9TH, 1888.

9.30 A.M.—Address on his Recent Surgical Investigations by William Macewen, M.D. Bute Hall.

11 A.M.—Meeting of Council. Randolph Hall.

10.30 A.M. to 2 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

3 P.M.—Third General Meeting. Address in Surgery by Sir George H. B. Macleod, M.D. Bute Hall.

7 P.M.—Public Dinner. St. Andrew's Hall.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10TH, 1888.

10.30 A.M. to 1.30 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

3 P.M.—Concluding General Meeting. Address in Physiology by John G. McKendrick, M.D., F.R.S. Philosophy Class-room.

9 P.M.—*Conversazione* given by the Corporation of Glasgow at St. Andrew's Hall.

Garden Party given by the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons at the Botanic Gardens.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11TH, 1888.

Excursions.

The following discussions and papers are promised up to the present time.

### SECTION A.—MEDICINE.

#### Humanity Class Room.

A. MEDICINE.—**President,** Professor T. McCall Anderson, M.D. **Vice-Presidents,** R. L. Bowles, M.D.; George F. Duffey, M.D. **Honorary Secretaries,** J. McGregor Robertson, M.A., M.B., 400, Great Western Road, Glasgow; Robert M. Simon, M.D., 27, Newhall Street, Birmingham.

The President will open the proceedings by introducing a discussion on the Diagnosis and Treatment of Syphilitic Disease of the Nervous System. Dr. Thomas Buzzard, Dr. T. S. Clouston, Dr. William Moore, Dr. Ross, Professor Grainger Stewart, Professor Julius Dreschfeld, Dr. J. G. Sinclair Coghill, Dr. Francis Warner, Dr. Frederick Bateman, and Dr. C. W. Suckling will take part in the discussion.

On the third day of the sectional proceedings, the Value of Inhalations in the Treatment of Lung Disease is set down for discussion, to be opened by Dr. C. Theodore Williams. The following gentlemen have already indicated their intention to engage in this discussion: Dr. Burney Yeo, Dr. W. W. Ireland, Dr. C. F. Knight, Dr. J. A. Lindsay, Dr. J. G. Sinclair Coghill, and Dr. E. Markham Skerritt.

Drs. Byrom Bramwell and Milne Murray will give a demonstration of their Method of Graphically Recording the Exact Time Relations of Cardiac Sounds and Murmurs.

The following papers have been promised.

COGHILL, J. G. S., M.D., Ventnor. The Treatment of Phthisical Pyrexia.

FINLAY, David W., B.A., M.D. Bronchiectasis treated by Incision and Drainage.

FREW, W. M.D., Kilmarnock. Prevalence of Cerebro-spinal Fever in Scotland.

GREENE, G. E. F., L.K.Q.C.P. A Note on a Recent Epidemic of Erysipelas.

MYRTLE, A. S., M.D., Harrogate. Neurasthenia, True and False: Diagnosis and Management.

STRAHAN, John, M.D. (Title not received.)

SUCKLING, C. W., M.D. (Title not received.)

TOMORY, J. K., M.B. East African Fever, with special reference to Climatic Conditions.

WARNER, Francis, M.D. 1. Methods of Studying and Examining the Nerve System. 2. Imbecility in Children from Chronic Meningitis.

Sir W. Roberts, Dr. Lauder Brunton, Dr. Russell Reynolds, Dr.

F. W. Pavy have also intimated their intention to take part in the proceedings of the Section.

### SECTION B.—SURGERY.

#### *Chemistry Class Room.*

**B. SURGERY.**—*President*, George Buchanan, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, James Dunlop, M.D.; Charles Robert Bell Keetley, F.R.C.S. *Honorary Secretaries*, David Neilson Knox, M.B., 8, India Street, Glasgow; Walter Pye, F.R.C.S., 4, Sackville Street, Piccadilly, London, W.

As already announced, in this Section discussions have been arranged for on the following subjects:

1. The Surgical Treatment of Abscess of the Lung and of Empyema. To be introduced and supported by Mr. T. Pridgin Teale (Leeds), Sir Spencer Wells (London), Mr. A. Pearce Gould (London), Mr. R. J. Godlee (London), and Mr. W. Thomas (Birmingham).

2. The Operative Treatment of Club-Foot. To be introduced and supported by Sir William Stokes (Dublin), Mr. E. Lund (Manchester), Dr. Alexander Ogston (Aberdeen), Mr. R. W. Parker (London), Mr. E. M. Little (London), Mr. John Chiene (Edinburgh), Mr. W. J. Walsham (London), and others.

Noble Smith, Esq., will give a demonstration of the Reduction of Fractured Vertebrae.

The following papers have also been promised.

BENTON, Samuel, Esq., London. On the Treatment of Stricture of the Rectum by Electrolysis.

CLARK, Sir Andrew, London. The History of a Case of Catheter Fever.

CLARKE, W. Bruce, Esq., London. (*Title not received.*)

FENWICK, E. Hurry, Esq., London. Notes from the Experience of 450 Cases of Organic Stricture of the Urethra.

FLEMING, W. J., M.D., Glasgow. 1. On Continuous Extension in Spinal Curvature. 2. On the Treatment of Perineal Fistula.

HARRISON, Reginald, Esq., Liverpool. On an Improvement in the Construction of Ships' Berths, relative to the Treatment of some Surgical Injuries and Diseases at Sea (with models).

KEETLEY, C. B., Esq., London. Plastic Amputations of the Foot.

MCINTYRE, John, Esq., Glasgow. The Electric Illumination of the Cavities of the Body.

OWEN, Edmund, Esq., London. A Case of Intra-cranial (Subdural) Hemorrhage; Localisation; Trephining; Recovery.

RAKE, Deaven, M.D., Trinidad. The Value of Nerve Stretching in Leprosy, based on One Hundred Cases.

ROTH, Bernard, Esq., London. On Scoliomety, or an Accurate Method of Recording Cases of Lateral Curvature of the Spine.

SILCOCK, A. Quarry, Esq., London. On Excision of Enlarged Bursae in the Popliteal Space.

STOKES, Sir William, Dublin. Modification of Gritti's Amputation; and will show Casts of Stumps.

### SECTION C.—OBSTETRIC MEDICINE.

#### *Medical Jurisprudence Class Room.*

**C. OBSTETRIC MEDICINE.**—*President*, Thomas More Madden, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, William Leishman, M.D.; J. Halliday Croom, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, William Walter, M.D., 20, St. John Street, Manchester; W. L. Reid, M.D., 7, Royal Crescent, Glasgow.

The following two special discussions will take place:—

1. On Intra-uterine Death; its Pathology and Preventive Treatment. To be opened by Professor Simpson. The following gentlemen will take part in the discussion:—Drs. R. Barnes, Graily Hewitt, More Madden, W. D. Priestley.

2. On Obstructive Dysmenorrhoea and Sterility. To be opened by Dr. Halliday Croom. The following gentlemen will take part in the discussion:—Drs. Aveling, Bantock, F. Barnes, R. Barnes, Cranny, Duke, Edis, Graily Hewitt, Macan, More Madden, Professor Stephenson, J. W. Taylor, W. Walter.

Dr. Samuel Sloan (Glasgow) will show his Antero-posterior Compression Forceps, and will explain their use in Flat Pelvis.

Wm. Walter, M.D., Manchester, will exhibit his instruments for Securing the Broad Ligaments during Extirpation of the Uterus per Vaginam.

The following papers are promised.

CAMERON, Murdoch, M.D., Glasgow. 1. On Caesarean Section, with Notes of a Successful Case. 2. On the Thermostatic Nurse, with Cases.

DUKE, A., M.D., Dublin. On the Rapid Expansion of the Cervical Canal by a New Method.

HART, D. Berry, M.D., Edinburgh. Successful Case of Caesarean Section (Porro's modification).

IMLACH, Francis, M.D., Liverpool. The Function of Anemia in Gynaecology.

MADDEN, More, M.D., Dublin. On the Causes and Treatment of Dyspareunia.

STEPHENSON, William, M.D., Aberdeen. On the Influence of Potassium Permanganate of Potass on Menstruation.

TAIT, Lawson, Esq., Birmingham. The Treatment of Uterine Myoma.

### SECTION D.—PUBLIC MEDICINE.

#### *Greek Class Room.*

**D. PUBLIC MEDICINE.**—*President*, Henry Duncan Littlejohn,

M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, James Christie, M.D.; D. Page, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, Ebenezer Duncan, M.D., 4, Royal Crescent, Crosshill, Glasgow; John C. McVail, M.D., Holmhead, Kilmarnock.

1. Sanitary Legislation. This discussion will be introduced by the Opening Address of the President of the Section.

2. The Communicable Diseases Common to Man and Animals, and their Relationships. Discussion to be opened on the second day of the sectional meetings by George Fleming, LL.D., F.R.C.V.S., Chief of the Veterinary Department of the Army.

3. The Disposal of Sewage (a) in Large Towns; (b) in Small Towns and Country Districts. Discussion will be opened on the third day by Dr. James B. Russell, Medical Officer of Health, Glasgow.

The following papers are promised.

DRYSDALE, Charles R., M.D. 1. On Indigence as a Main Cause of High Death-rates. 2. The Berlin and Parisian Sewage Farms.

HIME, T. W., M.B. Milk Scarlet Fever.

KERR, Norman, M.D. Some Risks of Sanitation.

NASMYTH, T. G., F.R.S. A Report on the Chemical and Biological Conditions of the Air of Coal Mines, together with Mortality Statistics of a Mining District, being a report to the Scientific Grants Committee of the British Medical Association.

SIMPSON, —, M.D., Medical Officer of Health, Calcutta. On Cholera and its Fostering Conditions in the Endemic Area.

SUTHERLAND, J. Francis, M.D. National Sanatoria.

### SECTION E.—PSYCHOLOGY.

#### *Hebrew Class Room.*

**E. PSYCHOLOGY.**—*President*, James C. Howden, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, James Rutherford, M.D.; Julius Mickle, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, A. R. Urquhart, M.D., Murray House, Perth; Alex. Newington, M.D., Ticehurst, Sussex.

Dr. J. C. Howden, the President of the Section, will deliver an Address.

Dr. C. M. Campbell will introduce a discussion on the Uniform Recording of *Post-Mortem* Examinations in Asylum Reports.

Drs. A. Yellowlees and A. Campbell Clark will introduce the following subject: The Sexual and Reproductive Functions—Normal and Perverted—in Relation to Insanity. 1. Menstruation: its Commencement, Irregularities, and Cessation; 2. The Sexual Instinct and its Abuse; 3. Pregnancy, Parturition, the Puerperal Period, and Lactation.

Dr. Clouston will initiate a discussion on the Principle of Construction and Arrangement of an Asylum for Private Patients of the Richer Classes.

The following have promised papers: Drs. Savage, Hack Tuke, Fletcher Beach, Charles Mercier, W. J. Mickle, and Turnbull.

### SECTION F.—ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY.

#### *Anatomy Class Room.*

**F. ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY.**—*President*, John Cleland, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S. *Vice-Presidents*, R. J. Anderson, M.D.; Henry Edward Clark, F.F.P.S.G. *Honorary Secretaries*, John Barlow, M.D., 27, Elmbank Crescent, Glasgow; Charles Barrett Lockwood, F.R.C.S., 19, Upper Berkeley Street, Portman Square, W.

C. B. Lockwood, F.R.C.S., will introduce a discussion on the Teaching of Anatomy; and will show sections illustrating the Development of the Organs of Circulation and Respiration.

The following papers are promised.

BROOKS, Henry St. John, M.D. On the Morphology of the Epitrochleo-anconeus or Anconeus Sextus (Gruber).

BROWN, J. Macdonald, M.B., F.R.C.S. The Construction of the Cardiac Ventricles in the Mammalia.

CLELAND, Professor, M.D., F.R.S. On the Nature of Certain Forms of Double Monstrosity.

COLLIER, Mark P. Mayo, M.B., F.R.C.S. On the Mechanism of the Heart and Pulse.

LANE, W. Arbuthnot, M.B., F.R.C.S. The Influence Produced by Excessive Strain upon Muscles and Ligaments (to be illustrated by specimens).

PATERSON, A. M., M.D. On the Position of the Vertebrate Limb, considered in the Light of its Innervation and Development.

### SECTION G.—PATHOLOGY.

#### *Law Class Room.*

**G. PATHOLOGY.**—*President*, Sir William Aitken, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S. *Vice-Presidents*, Alexander Davidson, M.D.; Joseph Coats, M.D.; Charles Roy, M.D., F.R.S. *Honorary Secretaries*, G. Sims Woodhead, M.D., 6, Marchhall Crescent, Edinburgh; J. Lindsay Steven, M.D., 34, Berkeley Terrace, Glasgow.

Arrangements are being made to hold a discussion on Cancer originating apart from Epithelial Structures, in which Mr. Lawson Tait (Birmingham), Dr. Joseph Coats, Dr. John Carlyle (Greenock), and others are expected to take part.

The following papers have been promised.

BRUCE, Alex., M.B., F.R.C.P. Edin. On Disseminated Sclerosis.

COATS, Joseph, M.D. On a Case of Lipæmia in Diabetes, with Suggestions as to the Source of the Fat.

KENNEDY, — On Case of Cystic Kidneys and Liver.

MATHER, E. D., M.D., Dublin. An Anomalous Form of Eczema.

MAYLAND, A. E., M.B., B.S., Lond. The Results of some Bacteriological Cultivation Experiments with Iodoform.

RAKE, Bevan, M.D., Lond., Medical Superintendent of the Trinidad Leper Asylum. The Percentage of Fibrin in the Blood of Lepers.

RUSSELL, William, M.D. The Pathology of Pernicious Anæmia.

The following gentlemen have also intimated their intention of contributing to the business of the Section by reading papers or otherwise: Professor Greenfield, Professor Roy, Professor D. J. Hamilton, Dr. William Hunter, Dr. Barrett (Edinburgh), Dr. McFadyean (Edinburgh), Alex. Edington, M.B. (Edinburgh), etc.

**Demonstrations.**—Dr. Alexander Bruce (Edinburgh) will give a Magic Lantern Demonstration on Diseases of the Spinal Cord; and Alexander Edington, M.B. (Edinburgh), a Bacteriological Demonstration. Arrangements are also being made for a series of Microscopical Demonstrations illustrative of Tumours, Tuberculosis, etc.

**Pathological Section of the Annual Museum.**—Intimation has been received of the following exhibits for this Section of the Annual Museum: 1. Calculi removed by Lithotomy, by Professor George Buchanan. 2. Calculi removed by Lithotripsy or by Scoop, by Professor George Buchanan. 3. Miscellaneous Objects removed from the Body, by Professor George Buchanan, namely: Bullets, Needles, Cases of Teeth, Impacted Fossaries, etc., also Isolated Bones of the Tarsus Excised. 4. Rhinoplasty; Wax Cast, by Professor George Buchanan. 5. Bladder and Urethra showing False Passages. 6. Selected Specimens from the Private Collection of Professor W. T. Gairdner. 7. A Series of Specimens of Tumours of the Brain, by Dr. Joseph Coats. 8. A Series of Specimens illustrative of Diseases of the Kidneys, by Dr. David Newman. 9. A Series of Specimens illustrative of Leprosy, by Dr. Beaven Rake (Trinidad). 10. A Series of Large Sections illustrating Malignant Tumours of the Lung; and a Series of Specimens illustrating Deformities of the Liver, by Drs. Woodhead and Bruce. 11. Drawings and Sections to illustrate Diseases of Bone and Joints, by Mr. F. M. Caird (Edinburgh). 12. A Series of Specimens illustrative of Diseases of the Heart, by Dr. John Lindsay Steven.

As space for the Museum is somewhat limited, gentlemen intending to send specimens should intimate their intention without delay to John Lindsay Steven, M.D., 34, Berkeley Terrace, Glasgow, Honorary Secretary of the Section of Pathology of the Annual Museum.

## SECTION H.—OPHTHALMOLOGY.

### Midwifery Class Room.

H. OPHTHALMOLOGY.—*President*, Thomas Reid, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, J. R. Wolfe, M.D.; C. E. Glascott, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, Henry Bendelack Hewetson, M.R.C.S., 11, Hanover Square, Leeds; A. Freeland Fergus, M.B., 41, Elmbank Street, Glasgow.

Mr. Brudenell Carter will open a discussion on the Treatment of Senile Cataract. Drs. Prichard, Meighan, Mason, Teale, and others have promised to take part in the discussion.

The President of the Section intends to give a Demonstration of several Instruments of Use in Ophthalmic Diagnosis.

The following papers are promised.

BICKERTON, T. H., M.D., Liverpool. Sailors and their Eyesight.  
MACKAY, George, M.D., Edinburgh. A Contribution to the Study of Hemianopsia of Central Origin, with special reference to Acquired Colour Blindness.  
MEIGHAN, T. S., M.D., Glasgow. On the Treatment of Symblepharon by Transplantation of Mucous Membrane from the Lip.  
REXTON, J. C., M.D., Glasgow. The Value of the Caustery in the Treatment of Ulceration of the Cornea.

## SECTION I.—OTOLOGY.

### Biblical Criticism Class Room.

I. OTOLOGY.—*President*, Thomas Barr, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, John Astley Bloxam, F.R.C.S.; J. J. K. Duncanson, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, Johnstone Macle, M.D., 23, Ashton Terrace, Glasgow; James Black, F.R.C.S., 16, Wimpole Street, London.

The following special subjects have been proposed for formal discussion:

1. The Conditions calling for Perforation of the Mastoid Portion of the Temporal Bone, and the Best Methods of Operating. Mr. Peter McBride has promised a paper on this subject.  
2. The True Value of those Aids to Hearing usually termed "Artificial Tympanic Membranes." Dr. W. L. Purves has promised a paper on this subject.  
3. Adenoid Growths in the Naso-Pharynx; their Influence on the Middle Ear, and their Treatment.

The following have promised papers.

BROWN, Lennox, Esq. (Title not received.)  
TORRANCE, R., Esq. On Syphilitic Cochleitis.  
WARDEN, Charles, M.D. (Title not received.)

## SECTION J.—DISEASES OF CHILDREN.

### English Literature Class Room.

J. DISEASES OF CHILDREN.—*President*, Walter Butler Cheadle, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, James Finlayson, M.D.; Henry Ashby, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, George S. Middleton, M.D., 23, Sandford Place, Glasgow; W. Arbuthnot Lane, M.S., F.R.C.S., 14, St. Thomas's Street, S.E.

The following two discussions will take place:

1. Diphtheria: (a) Etiology. (b) Relationship to other Infectious Diseases, and to other Forms of Sore Throat; Occurrence on Open Wounds and on Mucous Membranes other than those of the Throat. (c) Diagnosis. What are the Distinctive Features, especially those Distinguishing the Lesion in the Throat from other Forms of Sore Throat? Does Membranous Croup occur apart from Diphtheria? (d) Pathology and Sequelæ. (e) Medical Treatment. (f) Surgical Treatment; Tracheotomy; Tubage. This will be opened by Dr. A. Jacobi (New York). Messrs. R. W. Parker, E. Owen, H. R. Hutton, and Drs. W. T. Gairdner, James Finlayson, D. Newman, John Macintyre and J. S. Cameron will take part in the discussion.

2. Rickets: (a) Etiology and Prevention. (b) Its Connection with Syphilis and Scurvy. Is Enlargement of the Liver and the Spleen always present, more or less, in Rickets; or only in Cases of Syphilitic Origin? (c) Medical Treatment. (d) Surgical Treatment; at what Stage, and in what Way? Drs. Macewen, Ogston, and Marshall, and Messrs. R. W. Parker, H. R. Hutton, R. Haggard, L. W. Marshall, E. L. Freer, John Gordon, and W. A. Lane will take part in the discussion.

Drs. Jacobi (New York), Keating (Philadelphia), Ranke (Munich), and Sanné (Paris), and other members of the profession on the Continent have been invited.

## SECTION K.—PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS.

### Conveyancing Class Room.

K. PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS.—*President*, James Morton, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, John Dougall, M.D.; Theodore Cash, M.D., F.R.S. *Honorary Secretaries*, Alexander Napier, M.D., 3, Royal Terrace, Crosshill, Glasgow; Sidney Harris Cox Martin, M.D., 60, Gower Street, London, W.C.

A special discussion will be opened by Professor Theodore Cash, M.D., F.R.S., on Carbolic Acid, Antipyrin, Antifebrin, and their Allies, especially as regards their Antipyretic, Analgesic, and Antiseptic Actions. Drs. Walter G. Smith (Dublin), A. D. Macdonald, and Prosser James will take part in the discussion.

Dr. W. Allan Jamieson (Edinburgh) will show two cases of Xeroderma Pigmentosum.

The following have promised papers.

DAVISON, James, M.D. The Pine Treatment.  
DOUGALL, J., M.D., Glasgow. (Title not received.)  
DRYSDALE, C. R., M.D. 1. On the Therapeutic Value of Alcohol. 2. The so-called Abortive Treatment of Syphilis.  
PEARSE, T. F., M.D. The Treatment of Eczema.

## SECTION L.—LARYNGOLOGY AND RHINOLOGY.

### Divinity Class Room.

L. LARYNGOLOGY AND RHINOLOGY.—*President*, Felix Semon, M.D. *Vice-Presidents*, George Hunter Mackenzie, M.D.; Peter McBride, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries*, D. Newman, M.D., 18, Woodside Place, Glasgow; A. E. Garrod, M.D., 9, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square.

The following subjects are proposed for special discussion:

1. The Use and Abuse of Local Treatment in Diseases of the Upper Air Passages. To be opened by Dr. de Havilland Hall (London) and Mr. Stoker (London).

2. The Causes, Effects, and Treatment of Nasal Stenosis. To be opened by Dr. Macintyre (Glasgow) and Mr. Creswell Baber (Brighton).

3. Hæmorrhages from the Pharynx and Larynx, and other Hæmorrhages which simulate these. To be opened by Dr. Percy Kidd (London) and Dr. Hodgkinson (Manchester) (probably).

The following gentlemen hope to take part in the discussions: Dr. Prosser James (London), Dr. McBride (Edinburgh), Dr. Charles Warden (Birmingham), Dr. Cartaz (Paris), and Mr. Richard Ellis (Newcastle-on-Tyne).

The following papers have been promised.

JOHNSTONE, R. Mackenzie, M.D. Account of a Case of Tumour of the Naso-Pharynx.  
MCBRIDE, P., M.D., Edinburgh. On Hay-Fever and Allied Conditions.  
MACINTYRE, J., M.D. Anatomical Demonstration of the Larynx.



NEWMAN, D., M.D. Two Cases of Complete Laryngeal Stenosis produced by Wounds of the Larynx in Attempted Suicides.  
WARDEN, C., M.D. (Title of paper not yet received.)

## ANNUAL MUSEUM.

THE Annual Museum will be held on August 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th, in the Examination Hall of the University of Glasgow, and will be arranged in the following six Sections:

SECTION A.—Food and Drugs, including Antiseptic Dressings, and other Chemical and Pharmaceutical Preparations. (Honorary Secretary, R. S. Thomson, B.Sc., M.B., C.M., 3, Melrose Street.)

SECTION B.—Pathology, comprising Casts, Models, Diagrams, Microscopical Preparations, and Micro-organisms. (Honorary Secretary, J. Lindsay Steven, M.D., 34, Berkeley Terrace.)

SECTION C.—Anatomy, comprising Special Dissections, Methods of Mounting, Abnormalities, Drawings, Medals, etc. (Honorary Secretary, J. Yule Mackay, M.D., 34, Elmbank Crescent.)

SECTION D.—Physiology, consisting of Apparatus, Microscopes, Microtomes, and Microscopical Preparations of Normal Histology. (Honorary Secretary, J. McGregor Robertson, M.A., M.B., C.M., 400, Great Western Road.)

SECTION E.—Instruments and Books, including Appliances—Medical, Surgical, and Electrical. (Honorary Secretary, J. Macintyre, M.B., C.M., 173, Bath Street.)

SECTION F.—Sanitation (1) Domestic Sanitary Appliances, embracing all improvements applicable to the Treatment of the Sick in Private Dwellings. (2) Personal Hygiene, including Dress and Gymnastic Appliances. (3) Ambulances, Carriages, and all other Appliances used for the Conveyance and Treatment of the Sick and Wounded, either in Civil, Naval, or Military Practice. (4) Drawings, Models, and Apparatus illustrative of the Ventilation, Lighting, and Draining of Hospitals. (5) Hospital Furniture. (6) Sanitary Appliances in connection with Educational Institutions and Public Buildings. (Honorary Secretary, 1, 2, 3, Robert Pollok, M.B., C.M., Pollokshields; Honorary Secretary, 4, 5, and 6, A. W. Russell, M.A., M.B., C.M., Western Infirmary.)

Intending exhibitors should communicate as early as possible with the Secretary of the Section in which they propose to exhibit, as the Museum Catalogue must be complete one month before the date of meeting. Inquiries as to advertisements in the Catalogue should be sent without delay to Dr. Thomson, 3, Melrose Street, Glasgow.

Honorary General Secretaries of Museum Committee, A. Ernest Maylard, B.S., M.B., 4, Berkeley Terrace; R. S. Thomson, B.Sc., M.B., C.M., 3, Melrose Terrace.

Honorary Local Treasurers, Joseph Coats, M.D.; Jas. B. Russell, M.D.

Honorary Local Secretaries, John G. McKendrick, M.D., F.R.S., 45, Westbourne Gardens, Glasgow; James Christie, M.D., Hillhead, Glasgow; John Glaister, M.D., 4, Grafton Place, Glasgow.

## EXCURSIONS.

THE following eight excursions will take place on Saturday, August 11th.

1. *Lanark and Falls of Clyde*.—The party, limited to 100, will leave the Central Station by special train about 10 A.M., for Tillietudlem, where, by the kind permission of the Earl of Home, an opportunity will be given to visit the ruins of Craignethan Castle, the scene of Sir Walter Scott's *Old Mortality*; proceeding on foot through the picturesque ravine of the River Nethan for about a mile; the party will then be conveyed by coach through some of the most charming Clydesdale scenery to the Falls, visiting Stonebyres, and then, by the kindness of the proprietor, will enter the Corehouse estate, to see Cora and Bonnington Linns. Returning by coach to Lanark, dinner will be served about 2.30 P.M., in the Clydesdale Hotel. After dinner the party will be shown the library of Dr. William Smellie, the famous obstetrician, which was bequeathed by him to the Grammar School of that town. It is a very interesting collection of books, containing two or three black letter volumes. It is also expected that the Lee talisman, or "Lee Penny," will be shown to the visitors. This charm was taken from the Saracens by Sir Simon Lockhart, of Lee, after a battle, as part ransom of a captive. It was deemed a charm of great medicinal virtue in the end of the last century. It gives the title to *The Talisman*, another of the novels of Sir Walter Scott. Afterwards short excursions may be made on foot to Cartland Crag, Roman Bridge, Old Abbey, and Smellie's grave. The party will return from Lanark by special train to Glasgow, arriving not later than 8 P.M.

2. *Ayr and the Land of Burns*.—The party, fixed at 100, will leave Glasgow about 9.30 A.M., by special train to Ayr. Thence by conveyances it will proceed, *via* Maybole, to Crossraguel Abbey (one of the finest Gothic remains in Great Britain), thence to Culzean Castle, where it is expected the party will be received by the most Honourable the Marquis of Ailsa, and returning to Ayr by the sea-shore to Burns's Monument, Alloway Kirk, Burns's Cottage, and "Twa Brigs." Dinner will be served at the Station Hotel, after which, by special train, the party will return to town.

3. *The Perthshire Highlands, Lochearnhead and Crieff*.—The party, numbering 100, will leave Buchanan Street Station about 9.15 A.M., in special saloon carriages, for Lochearnhead, and during the journey will see some of the finest Highland scenery; thence by coaches *via* Loch Earn, to St Fillans, where a halt will be made for refreshments, at the Drummond Arms Hotel; then to Comrie, where a second halt will take place to visit the Devil's Cauldron, and thence to Crieff, where the party will be entertained to dinner by Dr. Meikle, at his Hydropathic Establishment. After dinner, short walks to places of interest in the neighbourhood may be made, and the party will leave Crieff in the same saloon carriages for Glasgow, where it will arrive about 8 P.M.

4. *Callander and the Trossachs (Loch Katrine)*.—The party, 100 in number, will leave the same station as last at the same hour, in special saloon carriages, for Callander, where coaches will be in readiness to convey them to Loch Katrine. Dinner will be served about 2 P.M., in the Trossachs Hotel, after which visitors may enjoy a sail on the loch to the Silver Strand, mentioned by Sir Walter Scott in the *Lady of the Lake*. The party will return by the same route to Glasgow, where it will arrive about the same time as the former excursion.

5. *Arran*.—The party, numbering 100, will leave Bridge Street Station in saloon carriages about 9 A.M., for Wemyss Bay, where, it will join the famous Clyde steamer *Ivanhoe*, which *en route* to Arran calls at Rothesay, and passes through the Kyles of Bute. Dinner will be served on board during the passage. On landing on the island the party will be enabled to visit Brodick Castle, by the kind permission of his Grace the Duke of Hamilton. The party will return to Glasgow by the same route, arriving there about 7.30 P.M.

6. *Stirling, Bridge of Allan, and Dunblane Cathedral*.—The party, limited to 100, will leave Buchanan Street Station about 9.15 A.M. by special train for Stirling. On arrival, visits will be paid to the Castle of historic renown, the Royal Infirmary, High Church, etc., under the conduct of Provost Yellowlees of that town, and Dr. Haldane, of Bridge of Allan, returning to the Smith Institute, where cake and wine will be served. Thence the party will proceed by conveyances to the Wallace Monument, *via* the King's Park, where an unrivalled view is to be obtained, then through the demesne of Airthrey, the seat of the Right Honourable Lord Abercromby, to Bridge of Allan, where dinner will be served in the new Museum Halls. After dinner seats in the conveyances will again be taken, and the party will then drive through the grounds of Keir, the seat of the late Sir W. Stirling-Maxwell of bibliophilic fame, and Kippenross, to Dunblane, where the Cathedral and Library of Archbishop Leighton will be visited. The party will then return by the famous Wharry Glen to the Spa at Bridge of Allan, where tea will be provided for the visitors at the Hydropathic Establishment. The party will leave Bridge of Allan for town, arriving there about 8 P.M.

7. *Rothesay and the Kyles of Bute*.—The party, fixed at 250, will leave Central Station about 9 A.M., by special train for Greenock, where it will join the new steamer *Victoria*, specially chartered for the trip. The steamer will then sail down the Firth of Clyde to Rothesay, and thence will proceed through the Kyles of Bute, *via* Loch Ridden, and then round the Island of Bute to Kilchattan Bay pier, where those of the party who choose may land to walk to Mount Stuart, the seat of his Grace the Marquis of Bute, visiting on the way the beaver colony, now an almost unique sight. The remainder of the party will return to Rothesay by the steamer, where conveyances will be in readiness to convey them to Mount Stuart; on returning, the party will alight at the Glenburn Hydropathic Establishment, where, by the kindness of Dr. Philp, the proprietor, tea will be served to the party at 5 P.M. Dinner will be served on board the *Victoria en route*. After tea a visit may be paid to Rothesay Castle. The return journey to Glasgow will be made by the same steamer, either to Greenock or

Wemyss Bay (not yet decided), and thence by special train, arriving in town about 8 P.M.

8. *Loch Lomond*.—The party, numbering 150, will leave the North British Railway Station, Dundas Street, at 10 A.M., by special train for Balloch Pier, where it will be waited for by a special steamer; during its passage to the head of the loch all the places of historic interest will be pointed out. Facilities will be given, by arrangement made before or in the early part of the meeting, for an ascent of Ben Lomond by a small party. On arriving at the head of the loch fifty of the party (to be fixed by ballot or choice) will land, the remainder returning by the same steamer to Tarbet, where dinner will be served about 2.30 P.M. in the hotel. From here parties may visit Loch Long by a very picturesque road. For the party of fifty left at the head of the loch a special dinner will be provided on board the steamer, arriving there about 2 P.M. The return journey will be made by steamer to Balloch, and by special train to town, arriving about 8 P.M. As this is the busiest time of the tourist season, intending visitors to this place should apply early, in order that completely comfortable arrangements may be made.

Short descriptive sketches of the different excursions will be given in the JOURNAL from week to week, in order to enable visitors to determine their choice, and also that early applications may be made during the meeting for tickets.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary*.

## SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

### PARIS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

*Respiratory Hysteria.—Disadvantages of Saccharin.—Dynamic Arseniate of Gold.—Papain in Dyspepsia.—Chemical Vaccine.*

THE *Journal de Médecine* of May 6th publishes a paper by M. Henri Huchard on hysteria of the respiratory organs. The author has already remarked how frequently simple laryngitis, angina pectoris, or bronchitis are transformed into aphonia, spasmodic contraction of the œsophagus, or hoarse, sonorous cough; symptoms which antiphlogistic treatment entirely fails to combat, but which disappear spontaneously. M. Léon Petit describes a case of pulmonary hysteria which M. Huchard regards as one of hæmoptysis of hysterical origin. The spasms may be localised in the nose, the larynx, the diaphragm, bronchial tubes, etc. M. Huchard quoted cases of spasms of hysterical origin in the respiratory organs, when tracheotomy was resorted to, but without modifying the symptoms. He points out the difficulty and, at the same time, the importance of determining the exact relations between hysteria and the affections of the respiratory organs, without confusion. In the second stage of consumption a sonorous incessant cough will appear quite suddenly, followed by aphonia, hæmoptysis, which usually recurs at the menstrual period, complete and persistent anorexia, and in some cases irrepressible vomiting, which may last for months or even years; the pulmonary lesions, however, are not aggravated; all the pathological activity is monopolised by the hysteria. In other cases tuberculosis predominates, and hysteria plays merely a subordinate part. Brachet affirmed that hysteria favoured the evolution of tuberculosis; other authors have stated that tuberculosis determines the appearance of hysteria. Both these conclusions are erroneous. Without entirely admitting the truth of Leudet's theory that phthisis and hysteria are mutually antagonistic, M. Huchard affirms that in many cases he has observed that the combination of the two affections in the same patient changes the habitual aspect of each of the affections. In tuberculous hysterical patients there is a complete disparity between the relatively mild local condition and the serious character of the functional disturbance. The consequence is that errors in diagnosis may often arise. It is most important to distinguish the effects of hysteria and tuberculosis respectively in the same patient, and to determine exactly which symptoms are due to each affection.

M. Worms read a paper at the Académie de Médecine, in which he stated that he administered saccharin, in varied forms, to four persons suffering from diabetes. One, after a course of two months, still suffered no inconvenience therefrom; but the other three, at the end of a fortnight, complained of loss of appetite, indigestion, and weight in the stomach, which symptoms continued for eight

days after leaving off the saccharin. The doses were resumed in the case of one of the patients, and a return of the symptoms complained of took place at the end of ten days. This proved that it was dangerous to put saccharin into the food of anyone suffering from diabetes; and, moreover, that as it was an indigestible substance, the general employment of it might result in serious consequences to the public health. This fact is at present worth knowing, as it is proposed to substitute saccharin for cane sugar in many ways, such as in sweetening acid wines, and in the manufacture of syrups; its price being half, and its power of sweetening so much greater than, that of sugar.

Dr. Addison has successfully combined gold and arsenic under the name of dynamic arseniate of gold. This preparation possesses the valuable therapeutical properties of both substances. Gold, it is well known, is used in different preparations (gold iodide, auric acid, etc.), with excellent results, in the treatment of diseases of the skin, syphilis, amenorrhœa, etc. Arsenic is successfully employed in hysteria, scrofula, rheumatism, irritable forms of tuberculosis, and in other affections. Its action is strengthening and antiphlogistic. It moderates fever, and acts as a sedative. Dr. Addison's dynamic arseniate of gold, which is destined to render great services in the treatment of cutaneous affections, secondary and tertiary syphilis, different forms of cachexia, nervous diseases, etc., is employed in progressive doses, from one to thirty milligrammes. It is highly digestible.

Dr. Pol Vernon highly recommends the use of papain in the treatment of dyspepsia. Papain is nothing but a vegetable pepsine, and, as the late M. Wurtz said, "acts with extraordinary energy and promptitude, and, as a vegetable ferment, dissolves at least one thousand times its weight of humid fibrin, which is at once disintegrated into a semi-liquid pulp, chemically similar to peptone." The action of papain extends, of course, to egg albumen, to gluten, and to all proteid substances, both animal and vegetable. By its influence the food is immediately transformed into a completely elaborated nutritious fluid. It is, therefore, indispensable in cases where over-nutrition is required—diabetes, tuberculosis, consumption, etc. It can be used in very small doses, whereas pepsine must be administered in large quantities. The action of papain extends to all forms of gastro-enteric dyspepsia, which are, according to G. Sée, only defective chemical operations. The illustrious Vauquelin compared it to "blood deprived of its coloured pigment," and called it "vegetable lymph." This substance can be administered as syrup, as an elixir, in wine, and in the form of bonbons.

The *Gazette des Hôpitaux* of May 12th publishes a communication made by M. Peyraud (of Libourne) to the Académie de Médecine, on May 8th, on chemical vaccine or "hydrophobine." M. Peyraud referred to his former researches on tanacetie rabies, its relation to genuine rabies, the preventive measures for both these affections by means of chloral, and inoculation with tanacetie acid, preceded and followed by antirabic vaccination. The discovery of chemical vaccine has been attested by MM. Charrin, Roux and Chamberland, Vidal and Chantemesse, and the chemical vaccine of several virulent affections has been discovered, independently of microbial inoculation, in the isolated poison of those nerve-centres presenting morbid fermentation. M. Peyraud made the following experiment in order to obtain the isomeric of tanacetie acid, the rabid virus of rabies. The brains of twenty-two mad rabbits were reduced to a pulp, and macerated in alcohol at 90°. After the substance was filtered and exposed to the atmosphere at a temperature not exceeding 50°, M. Peyraud obtained a fluid which had the taste and odour of tanacetie acid, and which, injected subcutaneously into four small rabbits, immediately determined the biological phenomena characteristic of paralytic rabies. M. Peyraud also made control experiments with the same number of brains of healthy rabbits. None of the above results were obtained.

### VIENNA.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

*Subcutaneous Injection of "Grey Oil" in Syphilis.—Hemianopsia Superior.*

At a recent meeting of the Imperial Royal Society of Physicians of Vienna, Professor Edward Lang read a paper on the subcutaneous injection of mercury in syphilis. He had long endeavoured to discover some form of preparation in which mercury could be used for subcutaneous injections, and had arrived at the following formula: hydrargyrum, lanolini, aa three parts; olive oil, four parts.

fever, 3 to "fever," 1 to measles, 1 to diarrhoea, but not one either to small-pox or diphtheria.

#### QUALIFICATION AND DIPLOMAS IN STATE MEDICINE.

C. F. RUDD.—We would refer our correspondent, who asks for information respecting the qualification, etc., given by Cambridge University for medical officers of health, to the Students' Number of the JOURNAL for September 10th, 1887, where he will find full details given (page 593).

## UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

### CAMBRIDGE.

LECTURESHIP IN GEOGRAPHY.—The Committee of Election (representing the council of the Senate and the Royal Geographical Society) have selected, as the first holder of the new Lecture-ship in Geography, Francis Henry Hill Guillemard, M.A., M.D., of Gonville and Caius College, and formerly of St. Bartholomew's. Dr. Guillemard is a Fellow of the Geographical, Linnean, and Zoological Societies, and is well known as the author of the *Voyage of the "Marchesa" to Kamschatka and New Guinea*. He is at present in Cyprus, aiding in the archaeological explorations undertaken there by the universities, but is expected to return and enter on his duties in the Michaelmas term. Dr. Guillemard has published a pamphlet *On the Endemic Hæmaturia of Hot Climates*, and is credited with other professional papers in the medical and scientific journals.

## MEDICAL NEWS.

### MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following Vacancies are announced:

- ANDERSON'S COLLEGE DISPENSARY, Glasgow.—Physician. Applications to David Wilson, Esq., Honorary Secretary, 42, Bath Street, Glasgow.
- ANDERSON'S COLLEGE DISPENSARY, Glasgow.—Surgeon. Applications to David Wilson, Esq., Honorary Secretary, 42, Bath Street, Glasgow.
- DUFFUS PAROCHIAL BOARD.—Medical Officer. Salary, £35. Applications by June 23rd to John Nicoll, Esq., Inspector of Poor, Hopeman, N.B.
- EAST LONDON HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Shadwell, E.—Resident Clinical Assistant. Board and lodging. Applications by June 28th to the Secretary.
- EDINBURGH CITY POOR HOUSE, Craiglockhart.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £75 per annum, with board. Applications by June 25th to Mr. G. Greig, Inspector, City Parish Chambers, 2, Forrest Road, Edinburgh.
- EVELINA HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Southwark Bridge Road.—Surgeon to Out-patients. Applications by June 25th to the Committee of Management.
- GLASGOW HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Applications to M. P. Fraser, Esq., 91, West Regent Street, Glasgow.
- GUEST HOSPITAL, Dudley.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £110 per annum, with board and residence, etc. Applications by June 21st to the Secretary.
- LONDON TEMPERANCE HOSPITAL, Hampstead Road.—Surgeon. Applications by June 16th to the Secretary.
- LONDON THROAT HOSPITAL, 204, Great Portland Street, W.—House-Surgeon. Applications by June 27th to the Secretary of the Medical Committee.
- METROPOLITAN ASYLUMS BOARD: WESTERN FEVER HOSPITAL, Fulham, S.W.—Clinical Assistant. Board and lodging. Applications to the Medical Superintendent at the Hospital.
- NEWTON HEATH (MANCHESTER) DISTRICT.—Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £50 per annum. Applications by June 18th to the Chairman of the Local Board of Health, Town Hall, Newton Heath, Manchester.
- NORFOLK AND NORWICH HOSPITAL.—Honorary Physician. Applications by June 16th to the Secretary.
- NORFOLK AND NORWICH HOSPITAL.—Honorary Surgeon. Applications by June 16th to the Secretary.
- NORTH-EASTERN HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN, Hackney Road, E.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £30 for six months. Applications by June 19th to A. Nixon, Esq., Secretary, 27, Clement's Lane, E.C.
- OXFORD EYE HOSPITAL.—House-Surgeon. Board and lodging. Applications by June 20th to the Secretary, 22 Wellington Square, Oxford.
- PARISH OF EDDRACHILLIS, Sutherland.—Salary, £150 per annum, with free house. Applications by July 15th to Mr. A. R. Cowie, Inspector, Scourie by Larg, N.B.
- PARISH OF KIRKMAIDRECK, Kirkcudbrightshire.—Medical Officer for the Poor. Salary, £35 per annum. Applications by July 14th to Mr. J. Carson, Inspector of Poor, Creetown, N.B.
- PARISH OF LOCHS, Stornoway.—Medical Officer. Salary, £140, house and rates free. Applications by June 23rd to H. McL. Ross, Inspector of the Poor, Lochs, Stornoway.
- PARISHES OF PENNYGOWN AND TOROSAY.—Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by July 3rd to Mr. A. McDougall, Inspector of Poor, Auchnacraig, Oban, N.B.

PRISON COMMISSIONERS, SCOTLAND.—Resident Surgeon for one of Her Majesty's prisons in Scotland. Salary, £200 per annum, with residence or allowance. Applications by June 25th to the Secretary, Prison Commission for Scotland, 130, George Street, Edinburgh.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, Birmingham.—Assistant Medical Tutor. Applications by June 20th to the Secretary.

RAMSGATE AND ST. LAWRENCE ROYAL DISPENSARY AND SEAMEN'S INFIRMARY.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum, with furnished apartments, etc. Applications by June 23rd to the Secretary.

ROYAL ALBERT HOSPITAL, Devonport.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Board and lodging. Applications by June 18th to the Chairman of the Managing Committee.

ROYAL SOUTH HANTS INFIRMARY, Southampton.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100, board, lodging, etc. Applications by June 20th to the Secretary.

SHEFFIELD GENERAL INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £120, with board, lodging, etc. Applications by June 18th to the Secretary.

SHEFFIELD GENERAL INFIRMARY.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 per annum, with board, lodging, etc. Applications by June 18th to the Secretary.

SURREY DISPENSARY, Great Dover Street, Southwark.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £120, and furnished apartments. Applications by June 19th to the Subcommittee.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road, W.—Physician. Applications by June 21st to the Secretary Superintendent.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road, W.—Assistant Physician. Applications by June 21st to the Secretary Superintendent.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road, W.—House-Physician. Board and lodging. Applications by June 21st to the Secretary Superintendent.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith Road, W.—House-Surgeon. Board and lodging. Applications by June 21st to the Secretary Superintendent.

WESTPORT UNION.—Medical Officer, Westport No. 2 and Louisburgh No. 2 Districts. Salary, £39 per annum, and fees. Election on June 24th.

WEST SUSSEX, EAST HANTS, AND CHICHESTER INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100, with board and lodging. Applications by June 30th to the Honorary Secretary, E. Arnold, Esq., White Hall, Chichester.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND STAFFORDSHIRE GENERAL HOSPITAL.—Resident Assistant. Board and lodging, etc. Applications by June 25th to the Chairman of the Medical Committee.

### MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

- ADAMS, F. E., M.D., M.Ch., appointed Medical Officer to the Wellbeing Medical Institute.
- ALTHORP, C. F. M., M.B.Lond., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Ida Convalescent Home, Cookridge.
- BERRY, James, M.B., B.S.Lond., F.R.C.S., appointed Assistant-Surgeon to the Royal Free Hospital, Gray's Inn Road.
- CAGNEY, James, M.D., appointed Assistant Physician and Registrar to the Hospital for Epilepsy and Paralysis, vice H. W. Syers, M.D., resigned.
- CARR, J. W., M.D., B.S., F.R.C.S., appointed House-Physician to the Victoria Hospital for Children, S.W., vice H. Cholmeley, M.B., resigned.
- CHAMBERS, James, M.D., appointed Assistant Medical Superintendent to the Counties Asylum, Carlisle, vice S. R. Macphail, M.D., resigned.
- CLARK, F. W., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Darenth School for Imbecile Children, vice W. T. Maddison, M.B., resigned.
- CUMMING, Robert, M.B., C.M.Aberd., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Perth District Asylum, Murthly.
- HACON, Walter E., L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.S.A.Lond., appointed Honorary Physician to the Christchurch Hospital, New Zealand.
- HALL, A. R., M.D.Brux., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Surgeon to the Hampstead Provident Dispensary.
- HARVEY, F. G., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, Golden Square, vice F. S. Hutchinson, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., resigned.
- HENDERSON, T., M.B., C.M., appointed Assistant Resident Medical Officer to the Children's Hospital, Birmingham, vice E. T. Roberts, M.B., resigned.
- HOLT, A. K., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., appointed House-Physician to the North Staffordshire Infirmary, vice S. K. Alcock, M.R.C.S., resigned.
- INGLE, A. C., M.B., M.R.C.S., appointed Surgeon to the Lowestoft Friendly Societies Medical Institution, vice D. C. Smith, M.D., resigned.
- MACKENZIE, W. J., M.B., C.M.Glas., appointed Medical Officer to the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, vice J. R. Donald, F.R.C.S., resigned.
- MACPHELL, S. R., M.D.Edin., appointed Medical Officer to the Derby Borough Asylum.
- MORISON, F. W., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., appointed Surgeon to the Chelsea, Brompton, and Belgrave Dispensary, vice Leonard Mark, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., resigned.
- PROWSE, J. S., M.B., B.S.Camb., appointed Junior House-Surgeon to the Western General Dispensary.
- ROBERTS, E. T., M.B., C.M., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Children's Hospital, Birmingham, vice G. W. Powell, M.B., resigned.
- ROBSON, E. S., M.R.C.S., appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Durham County Hospital, vice T. W. Barron, M.B., M.R.C.S., resigned.
- STAINTHORPE, T., M.D., F.R.C.S., late President of the North of England Branch of the British Medical Association, appointed Consulting Physician to the Tynedale Hydropathic Mansion, Hexham.
- STAVLEY, W. H. C., L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Surgeon to the Victoria Hospital for Children, S.W., vice H. C. Kidd, F.R.C.S., resigned.



THOMPSON, A., L.D.S.R.C.S., appointed Honorary Surgeon-Dentist to the Durham County Hospital.  
 THOMPSON, E. E., L.R.C.P., L.S.A., appointed Medical Officer to the Munslow District of the Ludlow Union, vice A. C. Malley, M.B., B.S.Dub., resigned.  
 WHITTAKER, George O., L.D.S.Eng., appointed Honorary Dental Surgeon to the Manchester Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Throat.  
 VINRACE, F., M.D.Lond., F.R.C.S., appointed Acting Surgeon to the Birmingham and Midland Skin and Lock Hospital, vice H. T. Bassett, M.B., resigned.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.**—The following gentlemen having passed the necessary examinations on May 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 28th, and 29th, 1888, for the diploma of Fellow, were, at a meeting of the Council on June 14th, admitted Fellows of the College.

J. Adams, M.D.Aberd., Ashburton, Devon; A. S. Morton, M.B., C.M.Edin., 26, Weymouth Street, W.; J. A. Kempe, L.R.C.P.Lond., Royal Alexandra Hospital, Brighton; J. Mackern, M.D.Cantab., 30, Cambridge Street, Hyde Park, W.; T. F. Pearce, L.R.C.P.Lond., 10, Montague Street, Russell Square, W.C.; H. W. Dodd, L.R.C.P.Lond., 47, Kensington Park Gardens, W.; C. A. Morris, M.B.Cantab., 31, Myddelton Square, E.C.; W. Hind, M.D.Lond., 8, Woodhouse Terrace, Stoke-on-Trent; E. W. Willett, M.B.Oxon., 60, Welbeck Street, Cavendish Square, W.; E. C. Arnold, L.R.C.P.Lond., Hurst, Fairfield Road, Croydon; G. L. Wells, M.B. and B.S.Lond., 16, Heathcote Street, W.C.; J. H. E. Brock, M.B.Lond., 115, Adelaide Road, South Hampstead; A. J. Drew, L.R.C.P.Lond., 62, St. John Street, Oxford; T. P. Beddoes, L.S.A., 89, Lambeth Palace Road; P. C. Hart-Smith, M.B.Lond., St. Peter's Rectory, Bedford; H. Armstrong, L.R.C.P.Lond., Aylestone Hill, Hereford; R. R. Whishaw, L.R.C.P.Lond., 17, Mount Road, New Brighton, Cheshire; H. S. Walker, L.R.C.P.Lond., The Elms, Wakefield; R. F. Jowers, L.R.C.P.Lond., 27, Old Steyne, Brighton; H. Tonks, L.R.C.P.Lond., Parkwood Grange, Knowle, Warwickshire; K. Totsuka, L.R.C.P.Lond., 65, Lambeth Palace Road; E. Solly, M.B.Lond., Congleton, Cheshire; C. J. Shields, M.B.Melb., 389, City Road, E.C.; A. S. Taylor, M.B.Cantab., Richmond House, Elliot Park, Blackheath, S.E.; F. H. Taylor, M.B.Lond., 8, Pyrland Road, N.; A. A. Kanhack, L.R.C.P.Lond., 1, Betley Villa, Church Grove, Hampton Wick, Middlesex; P. W. Rattray, M.B., C.M.Aberd., 7, Approach Road, E.; D. R. McKinnon, M.B., C.M.Aberd., Bethnal House, Cambridge Road, E.

Fifty-six candidates presented themselves for examination, 31 of whom passed (including 3 candidates who have not yet attained the legal age) and 25 failed.

The following gentlemen having passed the necessary examination at previous meetings of the court, and having since attained the legal age (25 years), were also admitted Fellows.

W. Fox, L.R.C.P.Lond., 3, Brambletyre Park Hill, Croydon; J. W. Washburn, The Friars, Gloucester; P. A. Lloyd, L.R.C.P.Lond., 101, St. Mark's Road, North Kensington.

The following gentlemen having passed the necessary examinations, and having obtained medical qualifications, were admitted Members of the College.

V. Allen, L.R.C.P.Lond., 99, Belgrave Road, S.W.; U. Banerji, L.R.C.P.Lond., Raifuir, Bombay; G. A. H. Barton, L.S.A., St. Mary's Hospital; R. J. Bray, L.R.C.P.Lond., 13, Lincoln Street, Leicester; M. P. Cooke, L.S.A., Fern House, Landkey, Barnstaple; W. L. Mathias, L.R.C.P.Lond., 49, Montpelier Road, Brighton; A. A. Parry, M.B.Melb., 9, Euston Square, N.W.; E. V. Phillips, L.R.C.P.Lond., Kilworth, Beauchamp, Leicester; E. T. M. Tunncliffe, L.S.A., Whetstone, N.

**KING AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS IN IRELAND.**—At a special examination for the Licence to practise Midwifery of the College, held on Friday, May 18th, 1888, the following candidate was successful.

H. A. Logan, M.D., R.U.I., Belfast.

At the ordinary monthly examinations for the Licences to practise Medicine and Midwifery of the College, held on Monday, June 4th, 1888, and three following days, the undermentioned candidates were successful.

For the Licences to Practise Medicine and Midwifery.—W. A. Murray, L.R.C.S.I., Dublin; T. H. Strangman, L.R.C.S.I., Waterford.

For the Licence to Practise Medicine only.—J. A. O'Finegan, L.R.C.S.I., Dublin.

For the Licence to Practise Midwifery only.—W. D. Moore, M.D., Q.U.I., Belfast.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, IRELAND.**—Mr. J. Bellew Kelly was erroneously stated in our last number to have been returned as a member of Council. Dr. H. G. Croly has declared himself a candidate for vice-presidency in 1889. It is stated that another candidate will also be in the field.

At a meeting of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain on June 6th, Mr. Michael Cartelghe, F.I.C., F.C.S., was elected President of the Society for the seventh year in succession.

**PRESENTATION.**—Upon June 12th Dr. W. E. Dawson, medical officer, was presented by the members of Court Wenlock, A.O.F., with a silver casket, richly gilt and engraved.

**DR. MAZZARINI**, late Assistant Surgeon in Professor Loreta's wards, in Bologna, has succumbed to splenic fever.

A COURSE of clinical lectures and demonstrations is to be given during June at the Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street. The medical course will be delivered by Dr. Sturges on Fridays, at 3.30; the surgical course by Mr. Edmund Owen, on Saturdays, at 9.30 A.M. During the remainder of the summer session, Dr. Barlow will give weekly demonstrations of cases in the wards at 10.15 A.M. on Tuesdays, commencing June 26th. Mr. John Morgan will lecture on Saturdays at 10.30, on congenital deformities, commencing June 30th.

**GEH. RATH.** PROFESSOR DR. V. BERGMANN has been elected an honorary member of the St. Petersburg Surgical Society.

## DIARY FOR NEXT WEEK.

### MONDAY.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, 5 P.M.**—Mr. R. Marcus Gunn (Arris and Gale Lecturer): On Light-percipient Organs.

### TUESDAY.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON, 5 P.M.**—Dr. Donald MacAllister: The Croonian Lectures on Antipyretics.

### WEDNESDAY.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, 5 P.M.**—Mr. R. Marcus Gunn (Arris and Gale Lecturer): On Light-percipient Organs.

**HOSPITALS ASSOCIATION, 8 P.M.**—Governors' Hall of St. Thomas's Hospital. Adjourned discussion of a paper by W. Burdett-Coutts, Esq., M.P., on Contributions by Patients in Relation to the Financial Condition of London Hospitals.

**ROYAL METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY, 7 P.M.**—The Hon. Ralph Abercromby: First Report of the Thunderstorm Committee. On the Photographs of Lightning Flashes. Mr. Charles Harding: The Cold Period from September 1887 to May 1888. The Hon. Ralph Abercromby: Observations on Cloud Movements near the Equator, and on the general Character of the Weather in the Doldrums.

### THURSDAY.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON, 5 P.M.**—Dr. Donald MacAllister: The Croonian Lectures on Antipyretics.

**OBSTETRICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, 8 P.M.**—Adjourned debate on papers by Dr. Stevenson, Dr. Lovell Drage, Dr. Gibbons, and Dr. Shaw on Electrolysis in the Treatment of Diseases of Women.

### FRIDAY.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, 5 P.M.**—Mr. R. Marcus Gunn (Arris and Gale Lecturer): On Light-percipient Organs.

### SATURDAY.

**ANATOMICAL SOCIETY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND, Anatomical Museum of the University of Cambridge, 4.30 P.M.**—Alex. Macalister, F.R.S.: Dissecting-room Notes and Specimens. John Curnow: Specimen of Abnormal Development of the Skull. Johnson Symington: (1) Two Adult Temporal Bones, with non-union of the Petriotic and Squamous Portions. (2) A Section of the Head to show the Air-passages connected with the Ear. (3) Sections of a Female Pelvis. W. H. Gaskell, F.R.S.: Preparations illustrating the Structure of the Cranial Nerves. A. M. Paterson: Microscopic Specimens illustrating the Development of the Spinal Nervous System. W. H. Caldwell: A new Microtome. Frederick Treves: Hernia into the Foramen of Winslow. Johnson Symington: On the Rectum and Anus. Alexander Hill: (1) Subcallosal Convolution. (2) A new Staining Method for Nerve-cells.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 8s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps with the announcement.

### BIRTHS.

**HERBERT.**—On June 7th, at 7, Abbey Terrace, West Cliff, Whitby, the wife of Johnson Herbert, L.R.C.P., etc., medical officer of health, of a daughter.

**HOLTS.**—On May 3rd, at Yass, New South Wales, the wife of Alton Kingsley Hols, M.R.C.S.Eng., of a daughter.

**NELIGAN.**—On May 8th, at Penmorfa, Friends' Road, Croydon, the wife of J. W. Neligan, M.D., of a son.

### MARRIAGES.

**BRETT—TELFORD.**—On June 5th, at Brighton, near Melbourne, Victoria, John Talbot Brett, M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., eldest son of the late Deputy Surgeon-General Her Majesty's Indian Army, to Margaret Stirling, third daughter of the late James Campbell Telford, M.D., of Cobran, New South Wales. (Per Reuter's cable.)

**STAINTHORPE—PEAT.**—On June 5th, at the West Free Church, Broughty Ferry, by the Rev. G. E. Troup, M.A., William Waters Stainthorpe, M.D., of Kirkleatham, Redcar, to Clementine Janet Peat.

### DEATHS.

**EWAN.**—At Parkeston, Harwich, on Saturday, June 9th, John Fraser Ewan, M.D., B.Sc., Edinburgh, of Sydney, New South Wales, aged 33 years.

**TUKE.**—On June 9th, at Chiswick, Thomas Harrington Tuke, M.D., F.R.C.P., etc., of the Manor House, Chiswick, and 37, Albemarle Street, aged 62.

## OPERATION DAYS AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

**MONDAY.**.....10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1.30 P.M.: Guy's (Ophthalmic Department); and Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Metropolitan Free; St. Mark's; Central London Ophthalmic; Royal Orthopaedic; and Hospital for Women.—2.30 P.M.: Chelsea Hospital for Women.

**TUESDAY.**.....9 A.M.: St. Mary's (Ophthalmic Department).—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1.30 P.M.: Guy's; St. Bartholomew's (Ophthalmic Department); St. Mary's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Westminster; St. Mark's; Central London Ophthalmic.—2.30 P.M.: West London; Cancer Hospital, Brompton.—4 P.M.: St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department); 10 A.M.: National Orthopaedic.—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 P.M.: Middlesex.—1.30 P.M.: St. Bartholomew's; St. Thomas's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: London; University College; Westminster; Great Northern Central; Central London Ophthalmic.—2.30 P.M.: Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children; St. Peter's.—3 to 4 P.M.: King's College.

**WEDNESDAY.**.....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; St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department); Central London Ophthalmic; Hospital for Diseases of the Throat; Hospital for Women.—2.30 P.M.: North-West London; Chelsea Hospital for Women.

**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; St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department); Central London Ophthalmic; Hospital for Diseases of the Throat; Hospital for Women.—2.30 P.M.: North-West London; Chelsea Hospital for Women.

**FRIDAY.**.....9 A.M.: St. Mary's (Ophthalmic Department).—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1.15 P.M.: St. George's (Ophthalmic Department).—1.30 P.M.: Guy's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: King's College; St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department); Central London Ophthalmic; Royal South London Ophthalmic; East London Hospital for Children.—2.30 P.M.: West London.

**SATURDAY.**.....9 A.M.: Royal Free.—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 P.M.: King's College.—1.30 P.M.: St. Bartholomew's; St. Thomas's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Charing Cross; London; Middlesex; Royal Free; Central London Ophthalmic.—2.30 P.M.: Cancer Hospital, Brompton.

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**KING'S COLLEGE.**—Medical, daily, 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p., M. W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th., 1; Ophthalmic Department, W., 1; Bar. Th., 2; Skin, Th., 2; Throat, Th., 8; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

**LONDON.**—Medical, daily, exc. S., 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30 and 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 1.30; o.p. W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 9; Bar. S., 9.30; Skin, Th., 9; Dental, Tu., 9.

**MIDDLESEX.**—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; o.p. W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 8.30; Bar 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.p. W. S., 9; Eye, Tu. Th. S., 2.30; Bar. Tu. F., 2; Skin, F., 1.30; Larynx, F., 2.30; Orthopaedic, M., 2.30; Dental, Tu. F., 9.

**ST. GEORGE'S.**—Medical and Surgical, M. T. F. S., 1; Obstetric, Tu. S., 1; o.p., Tu., 2; Eye, W. S., 2; Bar. Tu., 2; Skin, W., 2; Throat, Th., 2; Orthopaedic, W., 2; Dental, Tu., S., 9, Th., 1.

**ST. MARY'S.**—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.45; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.45; o.p., M. Th., 1.30; Eye, Tu. F. S., 9; Bar. M. Th., 3; Throat, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th., 9.30; Electrician, Tu. F., 2; Dental, W. S., 9.30; Consultations, M., 2.30; Operations, Tu., 1.30; Ophthalmic Operations, F., 9.

**ST. THOMAS'S.**—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, Tu. F., 2; o.p., W., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; o.p., daily, except Sat., 1.30; Bar. M., 12.30; Skin, W., 12.30; Throat, Tu. F., 1.30; Children, S., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.**—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1 to 2; Obstetrics, M. Tu. Th. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Tu. Th. F., 2; Bar. S., 1.30; Skin, W., 1.45, S., 9.15; Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.30.

**WESTMINSTER.**—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. F., 3; Eye, M. Th., 2.30; Bar. M., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

## LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK'S JOURNAL SHOULD REACH THE OFFICE NOT LATER THAN THE FIRST POST ON WEDNESDAY.

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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.—We shall be much obliged to Medical Officers of Health if they will, on forwarding their Annual and other Reports, favour us with Duplicate Copies.

## QUERIES.

AN OLD SUBSCRIBER asks where wicker coffins can be obtained.

## TREATMENT OF DIABETES BY OXYGENATED WATER.

DR. C. GUNN (125, Stephens Green West, Dublin) asks whether a patient who has suffered from glycosuria for many years, but by taking care gets fair health, would be likely to be benefited by using oxygenated water.

## TREATMENT OF WEBBED FINGERS.

A MEMBER asks which of the many methods employed in the treatment of webbed fingers is to be recommended.

## TREATMENT OF WOUND OF LEG.

S. H. J. asks: What is the best dressing for a clean wound over the shin bone caused by the blow of a cricket ball?

My patient is a healthy, muscular man, with perhaps a little gouty tendency, but although I have tried all the usual remedies the wound (a fortnight old) shows little tendency either to heal or granulate. The limb is having perfect rest.

## TREATMENT OF DYSIDROSIS.

T. E. L. L. would be very much obliged for any information any reader of the JOURNAL can give him on the treatment of dysidrosis attacking the outer and inner sides of the hands at the junction of the dorsal and palmar surfaces. It appears every year about April and lasts during the hot weather; there is little or no itching, but the scales drying at one place, while fresh "sago grains" are appearing in another, are very unsightly. He has tried internally arsenic and general tonics, and locally, glycerine, boro-glyceride, carbolio soap, ung. zinci, etc. His general health is and always has been perfect.

## ANSWERS.

## ADMIRALTY EXAMINATION.

SURGEON R. N. writes: In reply to the request of "W. E. M." in the JOURNAL of June 9th, I would quote for his information and guidance, in giving an opinion in the case he refers to, the following from the Queen's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions, paragraph 1,075, clause No. 1, which applies to all persons, of whatever class or age, entering Her Majesty's navy: "Seven teeth deficient or defective (unless special authority is obtained from the Admiralty), or if the biting or grinding capacity be seriously impaired owing to a smaller number of absent or unsound teeth, for example, three or four incisors or four molars in the same jaw. Beyond the above no exact rule with respect to defective teeth can be laid down, but the examining medical officer should take into account the condition of the teeth generally, and the probability of their lasting."

## METHYLENE.

IGNORANTIA sends the following string of questions with regard to methylene: 1. How is it used? 2. What is the usual quantity required to produce anaesthesia? 3. How much is required to keep the anaesthesia profound? 4. What are the indications of danger? 5. How are they best combated? 6. What firm is the best for a supply of pure methylene?

\*\*\* We have referred the questions to Sir Spencer Wells, who has been good enough to send the following replies: 1. By Junker's inhaler. 2. Two or three drachms. 3. About one drachm for each ten minutes. 4 and 5. Same as chloroform. 6. Krohne and Scsemann, Duke Street, Manchester Square.

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## A SOURCE OF INFECTION.

DR. ARCHIBALD D. MACDONALD, (Liverpool) writes: Assuming that the case of "so-called puerperal fever" were really a case of puerperal septicemia, let me tell your correspondent, whoever he is, that, unless he included among his precautions before and during labour the washing of his hands in iodised water (about one drachm of liquor iodi to a pint and a half), he did not use "the strictest antiseptic treatment" against the disease in question. There is substantial reason for believing that here iodine is the antiseptic. Had your correspondent employed it he might not have had occasion to refer to the so-called puerperal fever at all; the borrowed Higginson would not have become the unconscious instrument of conveyance of possible septicemia in spite of the antiseptic employed for the irrigations; thirty-two lines of the JOURNAL would in all probability not have been occupied in reiterating the warning, "Beware of the germs which lurk in the nooks of used instruments," and this letter would not have been written. The syringe, I hold, should have been purified by iodine and perhaps also by corrosive sublimate before return to the chemist, and not recommended to be destroyed. A working man cannot afford to throw away or burn a ninth or tenth part of a week's income, and antiseptics are either effective or they are shams. Most of us believe them to be effective; let us then practically show our faith in them.

## PRACTICE IN AUSTRALIA.

SEVERAL correspondents have recently made inquiries with regard to the prospects before a medical practitioner emigrating to Australia as compared with those which he has in the United Kingdom. No general answer to such a question can be given, as much depends upon personal and physical qualifications and upon the colony chosen; but it must be remembered that there is as yet no legal restriction upon the practice of unqualified persons, and

that consequently quackery is rampant. Further, the number of qualified practitioners in proportion to the population is already large. In his annual address to the Sydney and New South Wales Branch of the British Medical Association, the Hon. Dr. J. M. Creed, the retiring President, referred to this subject; the number of medical practitioners who were arriving in Australia from all parts of the world for the purpose of settling in practice was, he said, disproportionate; "the hopes of many of these gentlemen," he said, "are fated to disappointment, for the number of medical men in proportion to the population is rapidly becoming so large that remunerative practice can be but the reward of very few of them." He added that whereas there was one medical practitioner to every 1,562 inhabitants in England, in New South Wales there was more than one to every 1,250, if the men practising without qualifications were included in the calculation.

#### THUNDERSTORMS AND LIGHTNING ACCIDENTS.

**MR. H. NEWMAN LAWRENCE**, Electrician to the Institute of Medical Electricity (24, Regent Street), writes that the Institute is very desirous to obtain authentic information concerning lightning accidents, whether fatal or otherwise. Electrical and physiological details are most required, but reliable general information is stated to be often very valuable, and will be gratefully received.

#### THE TREATMENT OF ECZEMA.

**DR. C. R. ILLINGWORTH** (Accrington) writes: The prescription given by Dr. Hawkins is lacking in one essential; it contains no antiseptic. For several years I had very good results with a mixture of equal parts of zinc ointment and glycerine, but since I made the preparation antiseptic with glycerine of borax I have effected much more rapid cures. The same ointment also gives great relief in pruritus ani, itself an eczematous or quasi-eczematous affection; whilst for acne rosacea and other allied affections of the skin it is (if there be any justification in the use of the term) an absolute "specific."

#### ON THE USE OF CODEINE TO RELIEVE PAIN IN ABDOMINAL DISEASE.

**MR. J. MATTHEWS** (Liverpool) writes: I read with much pleasure the paper on Codeine by Dr. Lauder Brunton in the JOURNAL of June 9th. I have now under treatment a lady who has recently ceased menstruating and who has suffered for nearly a year from vomiting attended occasionally by hemorrhage—hysterical vomiting and vicarious hemorrhage. She complained much of pain in various parts, specially under the lower edge of the ribs and over the ovaries. I had tried everything I thought likely to relieve her with little or no effect, when Dr. William Carter suggested codeine. We gave it in half-grain doses three times a day with very decided benefit. Contrary to the opinion expressed in the paper referred to, my impression is that it tends to constipate, and I add one grain of compound rhubarb pill to each dose.

#### A PIN PASSED PER ANUM IN FORTY HOURS.

**DR. J. McANDREW**, M.B. Ed. (Huddersfield) writes: A child aged 2 years was brought to me on June 4th by its father, who averred that it had swallowed a small pin about an hour previously. I carefully examined the mouth and fauces, but could discover no pin there. As the child seemed to be suffering no discomfort, I concluded that perhaps, unknown to the mother, it had dropped the pin from its mouth—in fact, that it had not swallowed the pin after all. However, I told the father to give the child plenty of solid food, very little liquid, and on no account to give a purgative. I also told him to have every stool examined carefully; this was done, and the result was that they found the pin embedded in a mass of feces passed on Wednesday morning, June 6th.

I merely note this case because, in the first place, it is not very common to find a sharp and somewhat lengthy body like a pin pass through the intestinal tract without producing any untoward symptoms; and in the second place because of the short time—about forty hours—that elapsed between its entrance and exit from the alimentary canal.

#### EUGENIA JAMBOLANA.

**DR. GEO. SUTTIE** (Detroit, Michigan, U.S.A.) writes: There appeared in the JOURNAL of May 5th a small paragraph headed "Jambul from the Dutch Indies," in which the botanical name was given as *syzygium jambolana*. Beneficial results were also recorded from the use of this drug in a case of diabetes mellitus, and the paragraph concluded by saying that "it is not clear whether this is the same plant as *eugenia jambolana*."

Since the members of the profession on both sides of the Atlantic are somewhat interested in this drug as a promising remedy in diabetes, it would be conducive to their intelligent understanding of the therapeutics of jambul to know that reports of its effects as given under the name of *syzygium jambolana* and that of *eugenia jambolana* relate to the same remedy, and can be incorporated in collective investigation.

The urgent necessity which exists for more stringent rules of botanical classification in order to get the infinity of names within bounds called for the fusion of the genus *syzygium* into *eugenia* by Bentham and Hooker when writing their *Genera Plantarum* (vol. i, part ii, page 719), and as this work is recognised as authoritative on taxonomy, jambul should now be known as *E. jambolana*, Lam.

Your readers may have access to either or all of the works mentioned below, and which can be consulted for a record of synonymy: De Candolle's *Prodrromus*, vol. iii, p. 259; Drury's *Useful Plants of India*, p. 421; Rosenthal's *Heil-Nutz- und Giftpflanzen aller Linder*, p. 930; Baker's *Flora of Mauritius and the Seychelles*, p. 116; Hooker's *Flora of British India*, vol. ii, p. 499, etc.

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