

friend, censure, so justly and energetically, the system of torture practised before the time of Conolly even in your own country. You have been enjoying for almost a quarter of a century the work of the great man who is no more; and still your neighbours, close to your own shores, have yet, at the moment I address you, two thousand unfortunate beings tied in strait-jackets; and the total number of insane on the continent confined in cells, fastened in beds, and strapped up in strait-jackets, amounts in 1867 to fifty thousand. It is for me, as a foreigner, a humiliation, and perhaps at the same time a proof of my professional courage, that I denounce these facts before so high an authority as yourself, and on so solemn an occasion as this of to-day. But my aim is only to impress on you the importance of your continuing to censure this barbarous practice; the more so, as your countrymen, induced by the man whose bust now stands before you, have proved that lunatics can be successfully treated otherwise; and thus you have conferred the greatest benefit on the unhappiest part of our fellow-creatures. "The monument which, after my death, I wish to be erected for me on the continent is the practice of non-restraint, and may this soon be a reality." These words I frequently heard from the lips of a man to whom you so often listened with delight in this same room, and whose marble effigy we have now to beg you to accept and place here in perpetual remembrance of him.

The PRESIDENT expressed to Baron Mundy the gratitude of himself and the Fellows for the gift. The art-treasures of the College were not numerous; but the few which they had were select; and the bust of Dr. Conolly would find no unfitting place among those of Harvey, Sydenham, Matthew Baillie, and Halford.

The College then proceeded to the election of President. Of Fellows, no less than eighty-four were present. The choice, at the first ballot, at once fell upon Dr. Alderson, he having obtained more than two-thirds of the votes of the whole number of Fellows present. Dr. Alderson in a few words expressed his sense of the high honour bestowed upon him.

Dr. Ogle was elected Examiner, in the place of the late Dr. Brinton; and the College broke up.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND: THE DOUBLE QUALIFICATION.

At a very long sitting on Friday, the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons considered the important question of requiring a complete proof of qualification to practise from candidates for the diploma of the College. Three methods of proving his medical knowledge will be open to the candidate, according to the stage of his progress. The College will, it is hoped, be able to arrange with the College of Physicians to furnish them with examiners in medical subjects; and students who desire to do so can pass a complete examination at the College of Surgeons, and receive their diploma in surgery. Or the candidate may produce a diploma of having passed his medical examination at the College of Physicians or any other medical licensing body recognised by the Medical Council; and he will then be excused from passing the medical part of the examination, and will receive his diploma on passing the usual anatomical and surgical examination. Or he may

intimate his intention of passing a medical examination before one of the licensing bodies, and he may then be excused from passing the medical part of the examination, and will receive his diploma subsequently on producing such medical license.

We think that the second and third alternatives will be those usually adopted. The diploma of the College of Surgeons is a surgical license; and a medical diploma also is necessary for the public services, so that the candidates will have a greater interest in passing their medical examinations where they can obtain a medical license. The important object of ensuring a complete education and examination for every practitioner will be equally secured either way; and, while we rejoice at this, we can only wonder that the College authorities have taken so long to awake to a duty which has for years been urged upon them; and we cannot but be amused at the indignation on their part which similar propositions made from without have excited. The times march on—and in the College of Surgeons we march along after them.

Association Intelligence.

SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH: WEST KENT DISTRICT MEETINGS.

The next meeting is appointed to be held at the Union House, Dartford, on Friday, April 26th, at 3.30 P.M.; E. Moore, Esq., in the chair.

Dinner will be provided at the Bull Hotel, at 5.30 P.M. Charge 5s., exclusive of wine.

Papers have been promised by Luther Holden, Esq., F.R.C.S.; and by John Grantham, Esq., F.R.C.S.

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

Rochester, April 8th, 1867.

Reports of Societies.

EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

MONDAY, 1ST APRIL.

W. JENNER, M.D., F.R.S., in the Chair.

ON THE EARLY SEATS OF CHOLERA IN INDIA AND IN THE EAST, WITH REFERENCE TO THE PAST AND THE PRESENT. BY JOHN MACPHERSON, M.D.

THIS was an elaborate and learned account, by the author of *Cholera in its Home*, of the early history of cholera in India and the East, in the course of which much and most important light was thrown upon several questions earnestly discussed in the late International Sanitary Conference at Constantinople. The following is a summary of a few of the general conclusions insisted upon by Dr. MACPHERSON.

1. For notices of Indian cholera before the year 1756 authors have usually had to go to Java, whereas there have been constant notices of the disease in India, from the date of Europeans beginning to write of the maladies of the country in 1563.

2. A statement of Zacutus made about 1633 seems to have attracted but little attention; but, taken in connection with other accounts, it enables us to see that about that date Indian cholera was widely diffused in Java, in India, in Arabia, and in Morocco.

3. Extravagant importance has been attached to the Gangetic Delta as a generator of cholera, whereas, from the earliest times, Indian cholera has

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Tuesday, April 9th.**LABOURING CLASSES DWELLINGS ACTS.**

Mr. HUNT moved for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Labouring Classes Dwellings Acts (1866).

Wednesday, April 10th.

MERCANTILE MARINE BILL.

Mr. CAVE, in reply to a question from Dr. Brady, stated that the Mercantile Marine Bill was in course of preparation, and that it was deemed desirable, on account of the amount of business before the Commons, to introduce it in the House of Lords, where it would be laid on the table as soon as possible after Easter.

TESTS ABOLITION (OXFORD) BILL.

On the motion for going into Committee on the Tests Abolition (Oxford) Bill,

Mr. FAWCETT moved an instruction to the Committee enabling it to extend the Bill to Cambridge.

After some discussion, the instruction was carried by 253 to 166.

The Bill then passed through Committee.

Medical News.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON. At a general meeting of the Fellows, held on Monday, April 15th, 1867,

Alderson, James, M.D.Oxon., M.A.Cantab., F.R.S., was elected the President of the College.

At the same meeting, the following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examination, were duly admitted members of the College:—

Gainer, Charles, M.D.Pisa, St. Remy de Provence, France
Matterson, William, M.D.St.Andrews, York
Simms, Frederick, M.B.Lond., 46, Wimpole Street

Also, at this meeting, the following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examination, and satisfied the College of their proficiency in the science and practice of medicine, surgery, and midwifery, were duly admitted to practise physic as Licentiates of the College:—

Alderson, James Goodridge, St. Mary's Hospital
Colter, Newton Ramsey, M.D.Harvard, Canada
Geikie, Walter Bayne, M.D.Victoria College, Aurora, Canada
West

Jones, Charles Marobant, Amoy, China
Moore, Joseph, M.D.McGill College, Toronto, Canada
Morris, Henry, 15, Merrick Square, Southwark
Nicholls, James, M.D.St.Andrew's, Chelmsford, Essex
Rhodes, Francis, M.B.Glasgow, Withington, near Manchester
Richards, William Alesop, 42, Carey Street
Royle, William Alexander Slater, 23, Peatonville Road
Upton, Herbert Chrippes, Petworth Park, Sussex
Williams, William Jones, M.D.Edin., 32, Grafton Street East
Young, Frederick William, University College Hospital

At the same meeting, the following gentlemen were reported by the examiners to have passed the primary examination for the Licence:—

Aldridge, Charles, Leeds
Butlin, Henry Trentham, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Charlesworth, James, Middlesex Hospital
Harris, Robert, Guy's Hospital
Kipling, William, University College
Rouch, James Ryall, 180, Strand
Rugg, Baron Alfred, University College
Sleightholme, John Pennock, Manchester
Smith, Leonard, St. George's Hospital
Smith, Thomas, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

APOTHECARIES' HALL. On April 11th, 1867, the following Licentiates were admitted:—

Barr, J. C., the Lock Hospital, Westbourne Terrace
Pern, Alfred, Winchester
Sheffield, R. L., Redman's Row, Mile End
Walker, John, Tattingstone, Ipswich

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

Butlin, H. T., St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Hollis, Alfred, Middlesex Hospital
Hughes, J. R., Guy's Hospital
Price, William, University College Hospital
Sleightholme, J. P., Manchester School of Medicine
Smith, Thomas, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

APPOINTMENTS.

DAVY, Richard, Esq., elected Surgeon to the St. Marylebone General Dispensary.

DUCKWORTH, Dyce, M.D., elected Physician to the Royal General Dispensary, Bartholomew Close, *vice* Dr. Church, resigned.

ROYAL NAVY.

CLIFT, Samuel, Esq., Surgeon, to the *Lord Clyde*.

GIMLETT, Hart, M.D., Surgeon, to the *Minotaur*.

M'CLEMENT, R. C., Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to Haslar Hospital.

MACLEAN, George, M.A., M.D., Assistant-Surgeon (additional), to the *Wellesley*.

NICOLL, John B., M.D., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Minotaur*.

SICCAMA, Rinsio R., Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Minotaur*.

MILITIA.

MURRELL, W. H. J., Esq., to be Assistant-Surgeon Sussex Artillery Battalion of Militia.

PEARSON, D. R., M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon Tower Hamlets Militia.

TURNER, R., Esq., to be Surgeon Sussex Artillery Battalion of Militia.

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

BRIGHT, J. A., Esq., to be Honorary Assistant-Surgeon 19th Somerset R.V.

BIRTHS.

FORBES. On April 6th, at Devonport Street, the wife of John Gregory Forbes, Esq., Surgeon, of a daughter.

GRANT. On March 28th, at the Manse of Kinnechmont, Argyshire, the wife of J. G. Grant, M.D., 48th Regiment, of a daughter.

ROOME. On April 4th, at Parkhurst, Isle of Wight, the wife of Henry Rowe, M.D., of a daughter.

WILLETT. On April 6th, at Wyke House, Isleworth, the wife of E. Sparshall Willett, M.D., of a daughter.

DEATHS.

ALGER, John S., Esq., Surgeon, at Slough, on April 4.

TEMPERLEY, G., Esq., Surgeon, at Carlisle, aged 33, on March 27.

TINSLEY, Wm. W., Esq., Surgeon, at Sheffield, aged 39, on March 27.

DR. ALDERSON, who was on Monday last elected President of the Royal College of Physicians, graduated in Arts at Cambridge in the year 1822, where he was sixth wrangler of his year, and afterwards Fellow of Pembroke College.

LORD HENRY SEYMOUR'S WILL. At the Rolls Chambers, before Mr. Marshall, the Chief Clerk, an application was made in the case of "Wallace v. The Attorney-General", which was a suit as to the distribution of about £60,000 in charities in London and Paris, under the will of Lord Henry Seymour, who died at Paris in 1859. The "hospices" in London and Paris were to share in the residuary bequest, which amounted to a large sum. The Master of the Rolls had admitted twenty-nine charities in London as "hospices" to participate in the property; and in France there was a liquidation under which the hospices of Paris were admitted. Mr. W. A. Greatorex, as solicitor for the London charities, had visited Paris and investigated the case, and now presented his report, in which he asked the directions of the Master of the Rolls. The Chief Clerk (Mr. Marshall) suggested the mode in which the application should be made, and would take care that it was speedily brought under the notice of the Master of the Rolls.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 9 A.M. and 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
 TUESDAY.....Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
 WEDNESDAY...St. Mary's, 2 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.
 THURSDAY....St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, 2 P.M.
 FRIDAY.....Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
 SATURDAY....St. Thomas's, 9.30 A.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Lock Clinical Demonstration and Operations, 1 P.M.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

TUESDAY. Ethnological Society of London, 8 P.M. Dr. Collingwood, "Visit to the Kibalan Village of Sano Bay, North East Coast of Formosa"; Mr. Crawford, "On Colour of the Skin, Hair, and Eyes, as a test of the Race of Man."—Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Dr. George Johnson, "On the Pathology and Treatment of Cholera"; Drs. M'Cloy and Robertson, "On the Treatment of Cholera."
 WEDNESDAY. British Archaeological Association, 8.30 P.M.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

MEMBERS are reminded that it is a matter of great convenience and economy to the Association, and conduces to the efficiency of its working and to their comfort and advantage, that their subscriptions, which are now due, should be paid promptly to the Secretary, Mr. T. WATKIN WILLIAMS, Newhall Street, Birmingham; or to the Secretaries of their respective Branches.

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

AUTHORS of PAPERS are respectfully requested to make all necessary alterations in their copy before sending it to the JOURNAL. Proofs are furnished to authors, not for further changes, but that the writer may correct the printer when he has misread the manuscript.

Communications as to the transmission of the JOURNAL, should be sent to Mr. RICHARDS, 37, Great Queen Street, W.C.

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

LECTURES AND PAPERS from the following gentlemen are in type, and will shortly appear:—Dr. George Johnson; Dr. R. Southey; Dr. A. T. H. Waters, Liverpool; Dr. J. Althaus; Mr. Morratt Baker; Mr. A. B. Steele, Liverpool; Dr. Bazire; Mr. H. Ewen, Long Sutton; Mr. C. H. Moore; Dr. Worthington; Dr. Henry Browne, Manchester; etc.

DR. LANGSTON.—Next week.

VOLUNTEER SURGEONS.

SIR.—Will you, in your next week's issue, tell me what military rank a Surgeon to an Administrative Battalion of Rifle Volunteers holds?
 I am, etc.,
 R. B.

. We do not know whether there are any special regulations respecting the relative rank of officers of volunteers; but in the army, the surgeon ranks as major, according to the date of his commission. The circumstance of his being attached to an administrative battalion would make no difference.

H. L. S.—The question is a very complicated one; but we see no reason why its solution should not be attempted. The third volume of Miller's *Elements of Chemistry* contains the most recent information.

THE MEDICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON AND MR. BAKER BROWN.—Dr. Abbotts Smith and Mr. Walter J. Coulson will see that we have already corrected the statement as to Dr. Routh in the part of the JOURNAL in which it originally appeared, and on the same authority as that on which it was made.

DR. TILBURY FOX wishes the rumour contradicted, that "he had anything to do with the resolution carried in the Medical Society's Council. He neither spoke nor did he vote."

DR. STYRAP, Shrewsbury, and DR. PHILLIPSON, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.—We shall be happy to forward the copies of the JOURNAL and forms of application for membership, as requested, for circulation.

THE LADY SECRETARY OF THE FEMALE MEDICAL SOCIETY.—We will communicate with Dr. Palfrey on the subject of the letter. There is probably some misunderstanding.

AN ASSOCIATE, Wolverhampton.—The circumstances as stated bear only one interpretation. The physician consulted had no further right to take cognisance of the progress of the case, except through the practitioner in attendance; and if his continued interest in it were so great, he should have made his inquiries of or through that practitioner. We should advise, however, a conciliatory course; and an indirect and courteous intimation of the objections properly entertained to the course complained of, will, no doubt, suffice.

DR. H. SMITH.—We shall be glad of the assistance.

STAMPS.—The number of stamps issued to the principal London weekly newspapers during the year ending 30th June 1866, was as follows:—BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, 114,400; *Weekly Times*, 111,600; *Law Times*, 108,000; *Punch*, 101,500; *Athenæum*, 84,000; *Lancet*, 81,575; *Mining Journal*, 76,879; and *Homeward Mail*, 70,000.

MR. A. B. STEELE, Liverpool.—We have not yet received the blocks.

ERRATUM.

SIR.—My name is entered on the list of subscribers to Dr. Markham's testimonial as E. F. Dehane; it should be Dehane.

I am, etc.,

E. F. DEHANE.

Wolverhampton, April 13th, 1867.

M.D., Horncastle.—The appointment is in the gift of the Council. They are usually guided, however, by the two medical members.

COMMUNICATIONS, LETTERS, ETC., have been received from:—

Dr. G. F. Burder, Bristol; Dr. A. Samelson, Manchester (with enclosure); Dr. Page, Southsea (with enclosure); The Secretaries of the Ethnological Society; Mr. R. B. Congleton; Dr. Lionel Beale; Dr. Eastlake; Dr. Sharpey (with enclosure); Dr. John Chapman; Dr. A. P. Stewart; Mr. Henry Smith; Mr. H. Spencer Smith; Mr. Harry Leach; Mr. Benson; Mr. Stone; Mr. Charles Critchett; Mr. C. J. Fox; Mr. J. B. Curgenven; Mr. W. J. Tubbs, Upwell; Dr. J. C. Langmore; Dr. Birkbeck Nevins, Liverpool (with enclosure); Dr. Maudsley; Mr. E. Bellamy; Dr. T. Spencer Cobbold; Mr. Philip Hubbert, Croydon; Mr. E. F. Dehane, Wolverhampton; Mr. Mivart; The Secretary of the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh; The Honorary Secretaries of the Medical Society of London; The Hon. Secretaries of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society; Mr. Solly; Dr. Duckworth; Dr. Davey; Dr. Burrows; Dr. Abbotts Smith and Mr. Walter J. Coulson; The Lady Secretary of the Female Medical Society; Dr. Tilbury Fox; Dr. W. S. Playfair; Dr. T. Langston; and Dr. Russell Reynolds (with enclosure).

BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

On Hay-Fever, Hay-Asthma, or Summer Catarrh. By W. Abbotts Smith, M.D. Fourth edition. London: 1866.

A Lecture on Hygiene and Preventive Medicine. By C. J. B. Aldis, M.D. London: 1867.

Eight Annual Reports of the Sussex County Lunatic Asylum, Hayward's Heath, for the year 1866.

The Sunday Gazette, April 14th.

The City Press, April 13th.

The Chronicle, April 13th.

The Scotsman, April 13th.

The Cambridge Independent Press, April 6th.