

of the medical officer of the Rectory District be increased from £170 to £220, and that the salary of the medical officer of Christ Church District be increased from £200 to £220." Mr. Tavener, in support of his amendment, contended that their medical officers were not well paid, and the Board must also remember that they had to find the medicines for the cases out of their salaries. The amendment was seconded by Mr. C. Tucker, C.B., and it was negatived by the casting vote of the chairman; the original motion being carried.

IMPORTANT ALTERATION IN THE DIETARY OF THE INMATES OF ST. MARYLEBONE WORKHOUSE.

AT the last meeting of the Guardians of St. Marylebone, a report was brought up by a Committee recommending the following alteration in the dietary of the inmates, which, after a long discussion, was adopted. No. 1 dietary for the able bodied:—that stewed beef, or bacon, once a month be substituted for boiled beef at dinner; that cocoa be substituted for gruel at breakfast on alternate weeks; that vegetables, other than potatoes, be given from time to time at the discretion of the medical officer and master; that instead of the rice pudding dinner, a ration of six ounces of bread, two ounces of cheese, with an onion, lettuce, or other vegetable, be given for dinner on Thursdays. No. 2 dietary for the chronic and infirm:—that stewed beef, or occasionally bacon, be substituted for boiled beef at dinner; that coffee be substituted for tea at breakfast on alternate weeks; that vegetables, other than potatoes, be given from time to time, at the discretion of the medical officer and master, and that the quantity be increased from six ounces to eight ounces; that the dinner on Mondays consist of either broth or pea soup, on alternate weeks; that instead of the rice-pudding dinner, a ration of six ounces of bread, two ounces of cheese, with an onion, lettuce, or other vegetable, be given for dinner on Thursdays.

UNEQUAL ASSESSMENT OF PARISHES.

AT a meeting of the Metropolitan Asylums Board on Saturday, Dr. Brewer, M.P., presiding, attention was called to the low assessment of the rich parishes to the burdens of the poor, and it was resolved to memorialise the Poor-law Board, asking that body to promote a measure for remedying the inequalities complained of.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

CHRIST CHURCH.—There will be helden, on Saturday, February 20th, an election to one Physical Science Junior Studentship of Christ Church. The studentship is worth from £80 to £90 per annum, inclusively of rooms, and is tenable for five years. No one will be admissible as a candidate who was over twenty on the 1st of January last. Candidates must call upon the Dean, with certificates of baptism, of standing (if members of the University), and of good character, on Tuesday, February 9th, at 12.30.

MEDICAL NEWS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examinations for the diploma, were admitted members of the College at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on January 21st:—

Bell, Alfred James, L.S.A., Preston, Lancashire (King's College)
Lardner, Frederick Boulbee, L.S.A., Gillingham, Kent (Guy's and Middlesex)
Polar, Frederick, L.S.A., Taunton, Somerset (St. Thomas's)
Todd, Wm. James, L.S.A., Gloucester Road, Regent's Park (King's College)

At the same meeting of the Court—

Davies, Augustus Edward, L.S.A., Burton Crescent (Middlesex), passed his examination, and was admitted a member under the old regulations.

It is stated that out of the fifty-seven candidates examined, only eight failed to acquit themselves to the satisfaction of the Court of Examiners, and were consequently referred to their hospital studies for six months.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—Names of gentlemen who passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, January 21st, 1869.

Dean, William, Slaithwaite, near Huddersfield
Lloyd, Robert Hodgens, Gaisford Street, Kentish Town
Mackay, William, Norton Malton, Yorkshire
May, Bennett, Aston, near Birmingham
Terry, William Frederick, Gower Street, W.C.

As Assistants in compounding and dispensing medicines.
Smith, Frederick Warren, Camden Street, N.W.
Speakman, Isaac, Runcorn
Thomas, John Rush, Upper St. Martin's Lane, W.C.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are declared:—
ABERDEEN DEAF AND DUMB INSTITUTE—Physician.
ABERDEEN, GORDON'S HOSPITAL—Physician.
ANDERSON UNIVERSITY, Glasgow—Lecturer on Ophthalmic Medicine and Surgery.
BALLINASLOE UNION—Medical Officer for the Laurencetown Dispensary District. (£80 per annum, and Vaccination and Registration Fees.)
BECCLES DISPENSARY—Surgeon.
BERWICK-UPON-TWEED UNION—Medical Officer for Islandshire District.
BINGHAM UNION, Nottinghamshire—Medical Officer for the East District.
BOLTON INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY—House-Surgeon.
BOOTLE DISPENSARY—House-Surgeon (£100 per annum, with Apartments, Coals, Gas, and Attendance).
BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM, Stone, near Aylesbury—Assistant Medical Officer. (£80 per annum, with board and furnished apartments.)
CAISTOR UNION, Lincolnshire—Medical Officer for the Waddingham District.
CYFARTHFA IRONWORKS, Merthyr Tydfil—Assistant-Surgeon.
EXETER INCORPORATION OF THE POOR—Medical Officer for the Eastern District. (£55 per annum.)
FARRINGDON GENERAL DISPENSARY AND LYING-IN CHARITY, Bartlett's Buildings, Holborn—Surgeon.
INFIRMARY FOR EPILEPSY AND PARALYSIS, Charles Street, Portman Square—Assistant-Physician.
KENT AND CANTERBURY HOSPITAL—Physician; Assistant House-Surgeon and Dispenser.
LEICESTER BOROUGH LUNATIC ASYLUM—Resident Medical Superintendent. (£350 per annum, with residence, coal, gas, washing, and garden produce.)
LODDON AND CLAVERING UNION, Norfolk—Medical Officer for District No. 1. (£43 7s. 3d per annum and Vaccination Fees, and extra fees for Surgical and Midwifery Cases.)
LOUTH UNION, Lincolnshire—Medical Officer for the Somercotes District. (£35 per annum, and all extras allowed by Orders of Poor-Law Board.)
MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP—Visiting Medical Officer at the Workhouse.
MIDHURST UNION, Sussex—Medical Officer for the Milland District.
NEWPORT UNION, co. Mayo—Medical Officer for the Achill Dispensary District. (£80 per annum, and Registration and Vaccination Fees.)
NORWICH DISPENSARY—Physician.
NOTTINGHAM DISPENSARY—Resident Surgeon; Assistant Resident Surgeon.
PADDINGTON—Public Vaccinator for Ward No. 2.
PADDINGTON PROVIDENT DISPENSARY, Star Street—Surgeon.
ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL, Reading—Physician.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND—Examiner in Midwifery.
ROYAL GENERAL DISPENSARY, Bartholomew Close—Physician; Assistant-Physician.
ROYAL HANTS COUNTY HOSPITAL, Winchester—House-Surgeon and Secretary. (£100 per annum.)
ROYAL KENT DISPENSARY, Greenwich—Resident Medical Officer. (£150 per annum, with unfurnished apartments, coal, and gas.)
ROYAL SOUTH LONDON DISPENSARY—District Surgeon.
SHEFFIELD PUBLIC HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY—House-Surgeon (£100) and Assistant House-Surgeon (£65), in each case Apartments, Washing, and Board.
TORBAY INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY, Torquay—Physician and Two Surgeons.
TUNBRIDGE WELLS INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY—Resident House-Surgeon.
UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN—Professor of Midwifery and Diseases of Women and Children.
URLINGFORD UNION, co. Kilkenny—Medical Officer for the Kilcooly Dispensary District. (£100 per annum, exclusive of Vaccination Fees.)
WANFORD UNION, Suffolk—Medical Officer to the Workhouse (£42 per annum); Medical Officer for the Beccles District (£60 per annum).
WEST HERTFORDSHIRE INFIRMARY, Hemel Hempstead—House-Surgeon and Assistant Secretary. (£100 per annum, with furnished rooms, fire, lights, and attendance.)

BEQUESTS.—Mr. Joseph Christofer Ewart, of New Brighton, Cheshire, has bequeathed to the Liverpool Northern Hospital, £20; to the Liverpool Southern Hospital, £250; and to the Liverpool Royal Infirmary, £250.

THE HUNTERIAN MUSEUM.—The vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Bell Pettigrew, as Assistant in the Museum of the College of Surgeons, has been filled up by the appointment of Mr. Litchfield Jones Moseley, M.R.C.S., of Guy's Hospital. This gentleman is well known by the admirable dissections he has made for the primary examinations of candidates for the diploma of membership of the college.

THE TUEBROOK PRIVATE ASYLUM.—At the last Kirkdale Quarter Sessions, Dr. Owen, the Medical Superintendent of the Tuebrook Private Lunatic Asylum, applied for a renewal of the licence to that institution. Mr. J. A. Tinne, one of the visiting justices, moved that the application be granted; and stated that he had recently visited the asylum, and was much pleased with the order which prevailed, and with the efficient way in which everything connected with the establishment was conducted. He had never seen it in a higher state of efficiency and order, and it reflected credit upon Dr. Owen. The same sentiments were entertained by the visiting justices generally. The application was unanimously granted.

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, 1.30 P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—National Orthopaedic Hospital, 2 P.M.

WEDNESDAY .. St. Mary's, 1.15 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.—Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children, 2.30 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.

THURSDAY .. St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 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.—Central London Ophthalmic, 2 P.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 Demonstrations and Operations), 1 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.—Medical Society of London, 8 P.M. Mr. Spencer Watson, "A Case of Sloughing Polypus of the Antrum"; Dr. Bateman (Norwich), "On Aphasia";—National Association for the Promotion of Social Science, 8 P.M. Mr. Barrow Rule, "On Scholastic Registration."—Entomological Society.—Epidemiological Society.

TUESDAY.—Pathological Society of London, 8 P.M.—Anthropological Society of London.

WEDNESDAY.—Obstetrical Society of London. 7.30 P.M., Council Meeting. 8 P.M., Remarks on the Cephalotribe, by Braxton Hicks, M.D.; On the same subject, by Matthews Duncan, M.D.; On the Treatment of Ulceration of the Cervix Uteri, by James Wynne, M.D.; and other papers.

THURSDAY.—Harveian Society of London, 8 P.M. Dr. F. Cox, "Remarks on Intestinal Obstructions."—Royal Society.—Chemical Society.—Linnaean Society.

FRIDAY.—Western Medical and Surgical Society of London, 8 P.M. Practical Evening for the Narration of Cases and the Exhibition of Specimens.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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SIR.—Comment is superfluous on my part on the following paragraph, which I cut out of Saturday's *Examiner* and *Times*. It is astonishing that this should have appeared in a *city* newspaper. It might have been overlooked if it had appeared in the weekly organ in some small provincial town.

"*Medical*—Lord Tattersall, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, second son of Mr. John Tattersall, auctioneer, Bacup, and pupil of Dr. Cocker, of Blackpool, passed his primary professional examinations in anatomy and physiology, at a meeting of the Court of Examiners of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, held on the 9th and 12th inst."

Manchester, January 1869.

I am, etc., CHAS. F. SCOTT-JAXON.

THE SUBJECT FOR THE HASTINGS MEDAL for the present year (1869) is "Resection of Joints."

SIR.—I should feel obliged by your answering the following questions, addressed to me by a foreign Professor of Surgery. I. Where can a drawing and description of Dr. Snow's apparatus for the inhalation of chloroform be obtained?—II. Where is the Report of the Chloroform Committee published?—III. Is it a fact that the inhalation of a mixture, containing more than 5 per cent. of chloroform to 100 of air, is dangerous?—IV. What is the reason that, notwithstanding the registering apparatus similar to those of Dr. Snow's, chloroform is still empirically applied by pouring it on a cloth, and the patient still exposed to the danger of a fatal effect?

January 1869. I am, etc., MEDICUS.

* * * I. A drawing and description of Dr. Snow's apparatus are given in his volume *On Anæsthetics*, pp. 81-85.—II. We believe it is published in the *Medico-Chirurgical Transactions* for 1857.—III. Yes.—IV. The varying opinions entertained as to the necessity of using an apparatus of any sort. Sir James Simpson, of Edinburgh, for example, believes the handkerchief used with care to be as safe as any instrument. Besides, complicated and expensive instruments are to be avoided as much as possible. We ourselves believe the apparatus of Mr. Clover, by means of which a mixture of air with about 3/4 per cent. of chloroform may be given, to be the safest apparatus in use. Those, however, who prefer a simple apparatus, will find either that of Dr. Skinner, Liverpool, or of Dr. John Murray, London, suitable.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.—Advertisements should be forwarded direct to the Printing-Office, 37, Great Queen Street, W.C., addressed to Mr. Richards, not later than Thursday, twelve o'clock.

AN APPEAL.

ASSISTANCE is earnestly entreated for the wife and children of Mr. E. C. Smallman, L.S.A., formerly of Barnet. He is utterly disabled by illness, and is in hospital for operation. The wife and three children are entirely destitute. It is hoped that enough may be collected to make some provision for the children (13, 11, and 6 years old), for whom chiefly assistance is sought. The mother is anxious to obtain a place as nurse, for which she is qualified, or in a similar capacity.

Subscriptions will be received by Dr. Barr Meadows, Dover Street, W., and by Dr. W. V. Pettigrew, 7, Chester Street, S.W.

Dr. Barr Meadows presents his compliments to the editor, and begs to acknowledge the following contributions for the wife and children of Mr. E. C. Smallman, in answer to the appeal on their behalf in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of last week:—Dr. McCall Anderson, Glasgow, £1; Dr. Joseph Bell, Edinburgh, £1; W. M. B., £1; G. Bullen, Esq., Ipswich, 10s.; Ernest Hart, Esq., £1; 10s.

J. L. V.—A very interesting notice of the Mineral Waters of Vals, with essays on their properties, is that of Dr. Chabannes, Medical Inspector. It may be had, we believe, of Messrs. Gallais and Co., Margaret Street.

L. F. C.—Many thanks. We are glad of short pithy papers; but are overwhelmed with lengthened reports and communications, for many of which it will be hopeless to endeavour to find space, and which, with a little care, might easily have been condensed.

WE are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news reports and other matters of medical interest:—The Wiltshire County Mirror, Jan. 27th; The Merthyr Telegraph, Jan. 23rd; Arris's Birmingham Gazette, Jan. 23rd; The Japan Times' Overland Mail, Dec. 2nd, 1868; The Melbourne Argus, The Newcastle Chronicle; The Lincolnshire Chronicle, Jan. 22nd; The Lincoln Gazette, Jan. 23rd; The Durham County Advertiser, Jan. 22nd.

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