ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in Leeds, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the 27th, 28th, 29th, and 30th days of July next.

President-H. W. ACLAND, M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., Regius Professor of Medicine in the University of Oxford.

President-Elect-Charles Chadwick, M.D., F.R.C.P., Senior Physician to the Leeds Infirmary.

An Address in Medicine will be delivered by Sir WILLIAM JENNER, Bart., M.D., F.R.S., Physician in Ordinary to Her Majesty, and Physician to University College Hospital.

An Address in Surgery will be delivered by Thomas Nunneley,

Esq., F.R.C.S., Surgeon to the Leeds Infirmary.

An Address in Midwifery will be delivered by T. E. BEATTY, B.A., M.D., Dublin.

The business of the meeting will be conducted under five sections:
Section A. MEDICINE.—Presidents, W. T. Gairdner, M.D. Vice-Presidents, J. T. Banks, M.D.; and J. D. Heaton, M.D. Secretaries,
T. Clifford Allbutt, M.D.; and H. Charlton Bastian, M.D., F.R.S.
Section B. Superpry President William How Food Vice President Section B. Surgery.—President, William Hey, Esq. Vice-Presidents—George Southam, Esq.; and W. Stokes, jun., M.D. Secretaries,

W. Fairlie Clarke, M.B.; and T. R. Jessop, Esq.
Section C. MIDWIFERY—President, Arthur Farre, M.D., F.R.S.
Vice-President, S. Berry, Esq.; and W. O. Priestley, M.D. Secre-

taries, G. H. Kidd, M.D.; and J. Thorburn, M.D.
Section D. Physiology—President, J. Hughes Bennett, M.D.,
F.R.S. Vice-Presidents, Lionel S. Beale, M.B., F.R.S.; and A. T. H. Waters, M.D. Secretaries, E. Chapman, Esq., M.A.; H. Power, M. B.

Section E. Public Medicine.—President, W. Farr, M.D., D.C.L., F.R.S. Vice-Presidents, E. D. Mapother, M.D.; and A. P. Stewart, M.D. Secretaries, G. H. Philipson, M.D.; and A. Wiltshire, M.D.

TUESDAY, July 27th.

I P.M.—MEETING OF COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL—Town Hall.

3 P.M.—MEETING OF GENERAL COUNCIL—Town Hall. 8 P.M.—FIRST GENERAL MEETING—Lecture Room, Philosophical IIall.—The retiring President, Professor ACLAND, M.D., F.R.S., will resign his office. —The new President, Dr. CHADWICK, will deliver his Inaugural Address.-The Council's Report will be read, and discussion taken thereon.—Election of General Secretary.—Election of Auditors.—The Report of the Medical Benevolent Fund will be read. -Presentation of Hastings Medal.

WEDNESDAY, July 28th.

8.30 A.M.—PUBLIC BREAKFAST of the Association—Town Hall. 9.30 A.M.—MEETING OF NEW COUNCIL—Town Hall.—Special business: To elect new President of the Council.

II A.M.—SECOND GENERAL MEETING—Lecture Room, Philoso-

phical Hall.—Appoint Place of Meeting in 1870 and President-elect.

12 A.M.—Address in Medicine, by Sir W. JENNER, Bart., M.D.

2 P.M.—MEETINGS OF SECTIONS—Town Hall.—Adjourn at 5.30. 8.30 P.M.—President's Soirée—Victoria Hall, Town Hall.

THURSDAY, July 29th.

10 A.M.—THIRD GENERAL MEETING.—Town Hall.—Reports of Committees-Captain Galton's paper on Hospital Construction, with

2 P.M. -Address in Midwifery, by Dr. BEATTY-Lecture Room, Philosophical Hall.

3 P.M.—MEETING OF SECTIONS—Town Hall.—Adjourn at 5.30. 6 P.M.—PUBLIC DINNER of the Association—Victoria Hall, Town

FRIDAY, July 30th.

IO A.M.—FOURTH GENERAL MEETING.—Address in Surgery, by THOMAS NUNNELEY, Esq., F.R.C.S.—Lecture Room, Philosophical Hall.

11 A.M.—Meetings of Sections—Town Hall. 3.30 p.M.—Concluding General Meeting—Town Hall.

Gentlemen desirous of reading papers, cases, or any other communications, are requested to give notice of the same to the General Secretary, at their earliest convenience.

Reception Room.—A room will be opened in the Philosophical Hall as a reception room on Tuesday, July 27th, at 10 A.M., and on the following days at 8 A.M., for the issue of tickets to members, and for supplying lists and prices of lodgings, and other information.

Members and others who require information with respect to the

meeting are requested to make application in this room.

Places of Meeting .- All Council, General, and Sectional Meetings, will be held in the Town Hall, by the kind permission of the Mayor

The General Addresses will be delivered in the Lecture Theatre of the Philosophical Hall.

The Annual Public Dinner and the President's soirce will be held in the Victoria Hall, Town Hall.

The Annual Museum and the Annual Library, together with the Exhibition of Surgical Instruments, will be held in the Leeds School of Medicine, in Park Street, close to the Infirmary.

The General Post-office and the several Telegraph Offices are in Park

Row, close to the reception room.

Gentlemen intending to visit Leeds during the Meeting are requested to send their names without delay to Dr. Eddison, Park Square, Leeds.

Annual Museum: Notice to Exhibitors.—Rooms will be provided at the School of Medicine for the Museum, in which it is intended to exhibit all new objects of interest to the profession, such as: I. New Instruments and Appliances in Medicine and Surgery. 2. New Drugs and new Preparations. 3. New Books—English and Foreign. 4. Pathological Preparations. 5. Photographs, Drawings, Casts, and Models of Pathological Specimens. 6. Models of New Inventions relating to Public Health, etc. 7. New Preparations of Food. The Museum will be opened on Tuesday Morning the 27th, and will remain open until the Evening of Friday the 30th. All objects intended for exhibition must be addressed "Care of Dr. Eddison, the School of Medicine, Leeds." and be delivered on or before Monday the 19th, and must be removed from the Museum on Saturday the 31st July, or not later than Monday the 2nd of August. No object can be exhibited unless it is accompanied by a written or printed description, and a short reference for insertion in the Catalogue. Intending Exhibitors are requested to apply to Dr. Eddison for any information they require, and to inform him as soon as possible what they intend to exhibit, and how much space they are likely to need. In case any members prefer bringing preparations with them, they are particularly requested to forward short descriptions beforehand, in order that they may appear in the Catalogue. Adequate space and the necessary fittings for properly exhibiting the objects sent will be provided; but all expenses connected with packing and carriage, and all risk from injury or loss, must be borne by the Exhibitors.

Notices of Motion.—The following notices have been given.

Dr. DAVEY: To alter Law VIII, by substituting the word "twenty" for "ten" members, to be elected members of the Committee of Council.

Mr. GAMGEE: That a Committee be appointed to inquire into the

income and expenditure of the British Medical Association, with a view to ascertain if its resources admit of being more efficiently employed, than they now are, for the advancement of science and for the promotion of the material and social interests of the medical profession.

T. WATKIN WILLIAMS, General Secretary.

13, Newhall Street, Birmingham, June 24th, 1869.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH.

THE thirteenth annual meeting of the above Branch will take place at the Northampton General Infirmary, on Tuesday, June 29th, at 1.30 P.M.: WILLIAM NEWMAN, M.D. (Stamford), President, in the Chair.

Dinner will be provided at 4 P.M., at the George Hotel, for all those who send answers stating their intention to be present: 6s. 6d. each, including dessert and waiters.

Gentlemen intending to read papers or cases, are requested to send the names or titles of the same, forthwith, to Dr. Bryan, Northampton.

J. M. BRYAN, M.D., Northampton G. P. GOLDSMITH, Esq., Bedford Hon. Secs.

Northampton, May 1869.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at Meeten's London Hotel, Taunton, on Thursday, July 1st, at 2.30 P.M.; H. J. ALFORD, Esq., President-elect, will be in the Chair.

Gentlemen wishing to read papers, or to join the dinner at 5 o'clock, are requested to give early notice to the Honorary Secretary.

Taunton, June 1869.

W. M. Kelly, M.D., Hon. Sec.

NORTHERN BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held in the Library of the Newcastle Infirmary, on Tuesday, June 29th, at 2 P.M. President for 1868-69, JOHN JOBSON, F.R.C.S.; President-elect for 1869-70, DENNIS EMBLETON, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Dinner at the Queen's Head Hotel, at 5 P.M.

Gentlemen intending to read papers or describe pathological specimens, are requested to communicate with the Secretary without delay. G. H. PHILIPSON, M.D., Honorary Secretary.

Newcastle-upon-Tyne, June 1869.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Royal Hotel, Rhyl, on Tuesday, July 6th, at 1.16 P.M., under the presidency of W. MAUGHAM, M.D., Carnarvon.

Members of the Council of the Branch will meet at 12.30 P.M.
Dinner at 4 o'clock. Tickets, including wine, etc., 12s. each. To

be had at the bar of the above hotel.

Gentlemen who purpose reading or communicating papers and cases, and who intend dining, will please to give an early intimation to Beaumaris, June 1869. D. KENT JONES, Hon. Sec.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Philosophical Institution, Park Street, Bristol, on Thursday, July 8th, 1869, at 4.45 P.M.; when R. N. STONE, Esq., will resign the Chair to C. H. Collins, Esq., President-elect, who will deliver an address.

The dinner will be held at the Royal Hotel, College Green, Bristol, at 6.30 P.M. Dinner tickets, including ice and dessert, 7s. 6d. each.

Wines at moderate charges.

It would help the arrangements at the Bristol Annual Meeting if those gentlemen who intend to be present at the Annual Meeting of the

Association in Leeds would kindly inform the Secretaries.

The Bristol Secretary particularly requests that those members who intend to be present at the dinner, will send him their names before Monday, July 5th, in order that the necessary arrangements may be completed. CHARLES STEELE, Honorary Secretaries.

MIDLAND BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held in the Board Room of the Leicester Infirmary, on Thursday, July 8th, at 2 o'clock; T. W. Benfield, Esq., President, in the Chair.
Dinner at the Bell Hotel at 5.30 P.M. Tickets 7s. 6d. each, ex-

clusive of wine.

Gentlemen intending to read papers, are requested to communicate, without delay, with John Sloane, M.D.,

Leicester, June 1869.

Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE seventeenth annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Star and Garter Hotel, Richmond, on Monday, July 12th, at 3 o'clock P.M.; JOHN E. ERICHSEN, Esq., in the Chair.

Dinner at the Hotel at 5.30 P.M. Tickets (exclusive of wine),

10s. 6d. each.

A. P. STEWART, M.D. ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D. Honorary Secretaries. 75, Grosvenor Street, June 1869.

READING BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held in the Town Hall, Reading, on Wednesday, July 14th, at 4.45 P.M.

GEORGE MAY, jun., Honorary Secretary.

Castle Street, Reading, June 1869.

EAST ANGLIAN AND CAMBRIDGE AND HUNTINGDON BRANCHES: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE annual meeting of the above Branches was held in the Hall of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge, on Friday, June 18th; W. W. FISHER, M.D., Downing Professor of Medicine, in the chair. There were fifty-seven members of the Branches present, and a considerable number of visitors.

New Members.—The following gentlemen were unanimously elected members of their respective Branches:-R. Muriel, Esq., Ely; J. Buckenham, Esq., Cambridge; Herbert Lucas, Esq., Huntingdon; E. S.

Wright, Esq., March; H. Ernest Trestrail, Esq., Harston; W. W. Andrew, M.B., Earl-Soham; A. Pearse, M.D., Botesdale.

Representatives in the General Council.—The following gentlemen were elected representatives of the Branches in the General Council of the Association: East Anglian Branch—W. Cadge, Esq.; E. Copeman, M.D.; R. Faircloth, Esq.; W. E. Image, Esq.; J. Kirkman, M.D. Cambridge and Huntingdon Branch—G. E. Paget, M.D.; W. Ward, M.D.

Secretaries.—The following were re-elected secretaries of the Branches: Cambridge and Huntingdon—P. W. Latham, M.D. Norfolk—J. B. Pitt, M.D. Suffolk—B. Chevallier, M.D.

Next Meeting.—It was proposed by Dr. DURRANT, seconded by Mr. CROSSE, and carried unanimously, "That the next meeting be held at Ipswich, and that Dr. Chevallier be President Elect."

Communications.—The following communications were then read. and provoked considerable discussion:-

I. Laryngeal Diphtheria. By P. Eade, M.D., Norwich. Dr. Smythe, Dr. Paget, Dr. Walker, Dr. Durrant, Dr. Elliston, Dr. Mead, and Mr. Balding, took part in the discussion.

2. Treatment of Rheumatism. By G. B. Mead, M.D., of Newmar-et. The paper was discussed by Dr. Eade, Dr. Green, Dr. Durrant,

and Dr. Fisher.

3. A case of Empyema successfully treated by a Drainage-tube. By W. Paley, M.D., Peterborough. The case was discussed by Mr. Muriel, Dr. Walker, Dr. Paget, and Dr. Humphry.

4. Report on a case of Excision of the Knee-joint, giving the condition six years after the operation. By J. W. Crosse, Esq., Norwich.

Dr. Humphry made some remarks.

5. Treatment of certain forms of Idiocy and Epilepsy. By G. M. Bacon, M.D., Fulbourn Asylum. The paper was discussed by Dr. Chevallier and others.

6. The following question was brought forward by Dr. Lowe of Lynn:—"Is it proper that medical men should be compelled to divulge in courts of justice facts of a criminal nature which may have become known to them in answer to strictly professional questions?" After discussion by Dr. Mead, Dr. Green, Mr. Hodgson, Mr. Watson, Mr. Kendall, and Dr. Bateman, it was proposed by the PRESIDENT, seconded by Dr. PITT, and carried unanimously, "That in the opinion of this meeting, the question which Dr. Lowe has brought forward should be noticed at Leeds."

7. Two Calculi were exhibited by Dr. Humphry. One weighed thirty-two ounces. After being preserved many years in the library of Trinity College, it has lately been placed in the Anatomical Museum of the University. It was taken from the bladder of a woman after death, and was shown as a wonder to King Charles II on one of his visits to Newmarket. It is irregularly spherical, and is composed chiefly of very compact layers of lithic acid, with a central part of oxalate of lime. The other was a spherical stone, weighing more than ten pounds, taken from the bladder of a mare after death. The mare was at work till a few days before she died; and it was not known that there was any thing the matter with her. This large stone was surrounded by eight or ten smaller ones. It has only lately been presented to the University Museum, and a section has not yet been made. The composition is therefore unknown.

8. An extremely ingenious instrument was exhibited by Dr. Arthur Ransome of Manchester, for Measuring the Expansion of the Chest. By means of this instrument the forward, lateral, and vertical movements of any point of the chest can be simultaneously registered. special merits of the instrument are, the great accuracy with which it records these three different movements, and the facility with which it can be employed.—A paper containing several important physiolo-

gical facts was also laid before the meeting.

Dinner.—After the meeting, a party of forty, including the Vice-Chancellor of the University, the Mayor of Cambridge, and other distinguished guests, dined together in the Hall of Downing College. Professor Fisher presiding, and the honorary secretaries acting as vicepresidents.

DE-NICOTINISED TOBACCO.—Dr. T. Williams recommends smokers to place in the bowls of their pipes a little powdered tannin, or a sponge saturated with a solution of tannin. The smoke will thus be deprived of its characteristic aroma and all the vaporised nicotine, which is the intoxicating principle. At first the smoke will be entirely free from all taste and smell of tobacco, but as the sponge becomes charged with the nicotine the odour will reappear. By charging the sponge frequently, the smoker may indulge in his habit as immoderately as he pleases without injurious effect .- Chicago Medical Journal.

the necessity of one responsible head for the general medical arrangements of the camp, who would, under the present regulations, be the Army Surgeon in charge, and to whom all returns should be sent; but they were unable to see why he should be considered responsible for the treatment of patients of the volunteer medical officer, especially as that officer was expressly understood to be there for the purpose of giving medical aid to the volunteers. I supported the position which the Association took up, and am as confident as ever that it is the right one, and that no other arrangement will serve to regain for the volunteer movement the support and sympathy of more especially the influential members of the profession. If the Council will concede to the Volunteer medical officer charge of his own hospital, and the volunteers who may put themselves under his care, leaving it to him to solicit the assistance of the other medical officers when he feels the necessity, I shall be happy to undertake the duties, otherwise I shall with regret be compelled to decline the honour of the appointment.

I remain, dear sir, yours faithfully,
JOHN MURRAY, M.D., Assist. Surg. Lond. Scott. Volunteers. To John Wyatt, Esq., Surgeon-Major Coldstream Guards.

P.S.—As the general body of volunteer surgeons are interested in the subject, I have it in view, if desirable, to publish the correspondence between us.

UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

NON-COLLEGIATE STUDENTS.—The following information has just been issued by a Board appointed to admit and superintend the noncollegiate students. - Students may be admitted members of the University without being members of any college or hostel. Such students will keep terms by residing in Cambridge with their parents or in lodgings duly licensed, and will be entitled to be matriculated, examined, and admitted to degrees in the same manner and with the same status and privileges as students who are members of colleges. They will be under the jurisdiction of the Vice-Chancellor and proctors, and will be required to pay due obedience to all academical regulations. They will be under the supervision of the censor, the Rev. R. B. Somerset, to whom they may apply for advice and direction, and by whom their daily residence in the University will be registered. They are to report themselves to him on their arrival in Cambridge, and at the end of each term's residence to obtain leave from him to go down. During residence they are to call on him, and write their names in a book to be kept for the purpose, at times to be indicated by him. Each is to make a written report, when required by the censor, for the information of the Board, as to the place of religious worship he attends, and as to the studies he is pursuing, and the lectures he is attending, or the instruction he is receiving. The fees payable he is attending, or the instruction he is receiving. The fees payable will be the following:—To the Board, per annum, $\pounds 5:5$; capitation tax, per annum, 17s.; matriculation fee, 15s.; previous examination fee, £2:10. The fee for the B.A. degree is £7; for the M.B. degree, £8. Non-collegiate students will be admitted to the University library and museums and to the professor's lectures under the same regulations as the other students; and it is already known that several college lectures will be open to them. Further information on this subject will be issued as soon as possible after the commencement of the Michaelmas term. They will be able to compete for University scholarships in the same manner as other students.—All applications for admission and other communications are to be addressed to the censor, the Rev. R. B. Somerset, Trumpington Road, Cambridge.

MEDICO-PARLIAMENTARY.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Friday, June 18th.

ROSCOMMON AND GALWAY LUNATIC ASYLUM.—In reply to Colonel French, Mr. C. Fortescue said that the Act which rendered it impossible for lunatics to be sent to prisons had led to the overcrowding of this asylum, which the governors therefore determined to enlarge; but as to the Lord-Lieutenant having sanctioned the issue of money for the purpose, the question had not come before the Government in any shape.

Tuesday, June 22nd.

CRIMINAL LUNATICS.—Mr. Knatchbull-Hugessen obtained leave to bring in a bill to amend the law relating to criminal lunatics.-Mr. Sclater-Booth hoped that a clause would be inserted to retain dangerous lunatics in the asylum of Broadmoor, the cost being defrayed by the counties who had sent them there.

MORTALITY AT BARKING.-Mr. Eastwick gave notice that on Thursday he would ask the Home Secretary whether it was not desirable that the medical officer of the Privy Council and a chemist of eminence should be associated with the civil engineer sent down to inquire into the state of Barking, in order that authoritative information may be obtained as to the causes of the mortality at Barking, and as to the chemical state of the water in the adjoining creek; and whether the counsel from the Home-office should not also be associated with the Commission as assessor, the subject being one of too great importance or a merely partial inquiry

Wednesday, June 23rd.

MEDICAL OFFICERS' SUPERANNUATION (IRELAND) BILL.-Dr. Br ady moved the second reading of this bill; and his motion was secon ded by Mr. Peel-Dawson. Mr. W. H. Gregory, Mr. Synan, and Sir John Gray, also supported the Bill, the last named honourable mem ber making some severe and apparently incorrect remarks on medical education.—Mr. Chichester Fortescue would support the Bill, only on the understanding that it should be a simple extension to the medical officers of unions of the Irish Poor-law Superannuation Act of 1865. He agreed that the well-being of the poor required some such measure as this, or otherwise there would be a natural tendency on the part of the guardians of unions to retain the services of old and disabled practitioners who were not able to give to the poor the requisite attention. He was willing to consent to some power being given to Boards of Guardians to grant superannuations under strict regulations, and on the conditions of Act of 1865, according to which no officer was entitled to such allowances, on the ground of retirement, who was under sixty years of age, and who had not served as an union officer for twenty years. With these observations he assented to the second reading of the Bill.—After some remarks from Mr. Downing, Lord Claude Hamilton, and Mr. Ayrton, the Bill was read a second

MEDICAL NEWS.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—Names of gentlemen who passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, June 17th, 1869.

Collet, Augustus Henry, Worthing Grant, Frederick, Kibworth, Leizestershire Orme, Campbell, Avenue Road, N.W.

At the same Court, the following passed the first examination. Leadman, Alexander D. H., Leeds School of Medicine Lee, Edward Samuel. St. George's Hospital Slater, John Samuel, St. Thomas's Hospital

As Assistants in compounding and dispensing medicines. Howlett, Henry John, Southsea Jeckell, Edward, Ipswich Ritson, John, Sunderland

UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM (Easter Term, 1869).—The following gentlemen have passed the undermentioned examinations:-Final for M.D. Degree.

Newcombe, Frederick William

Second for Licence in Medicine and Degree of Master in Surgery. Higgs, Frederick J. Murray, James D.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are declared:—
BELFAST UNION—A Medical Officer for the Belfast Dispensary District (£75

per annum).
BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND EYE HOSPITAL—House-Surgeon (£80 per annum, apartments, board, and attendance).
BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND FREE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHIL-

per annum, apartments, board, and attendance).

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND FREE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN—Dispenser (£50 per annum).

BRIXTON, STREATHAM HILL, AND HERNE HILL DISPENSARY—
Resident Medical Officer.

CLAREMORRIS UNION, co. Mayo—Medical Officer for the Claremorris Dispensary District (£75 per annum, and Registration and Vaccination Fees);

Medical Officer for the Workhouse (£50 per annum).

CRANBROOK UNION, Kent—Medical Officer for the Parish of Frittenden (£25
per annum, and extra fees).

DOVER HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY—Resident Medical Officer (£80 per
annum, with furnished apartments, coal, candles, and attendance).

GLASGOW EYE INFIRMARY—Surgeon.

HAY UNION, Brecknockshire—Medical Officer for the Radnorshire District (£45
per annum, and extra fees, which amounted last year to £37:15).

KING AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS IN IRELAND—
King's Professor of the Institutes of Medicine.

KINGTON UNION, Herefordshire—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for
the New Radnor District (£60 per annum, and extra fees).

LINCOLN COUNTY HOSPITAL—Physician.

NEW ABBEY, Dumfries-Parochial Medical Officer (£40 per annum, and Govern-

ment Grant).
NORTHAMPTON GENERAL INFIRMARY—Assistant to the House-Surgeon

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NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE INFIRMARY, Etruria—Surgeon.
NORTHWICH PROVIDENT DISPENSARY—Surgeon.
ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS, IRELAND—Examiner of Candidates for the Diploma in Midwifery.
ROYAL ISLE OF WIGHT INFIRMARY, Ryde—Medical Officer.
ROYAL SOUTH LONDON OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL—Surgeon.
ST. GEORGE DISPENSARY, Mount Street, Grosvenor Square—Physician.
ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN, Manchester—Honorary Physician.
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL—Resident Medical Officer.
UNIVERSITY OF GLASSOW—Waltonian Lecturer on the Eye.
YORK DISPENSARY—Resident Medical Officer (£100 per annum, furnished apartment, coal, gas, and allowance for servant).

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MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

Names marked with an asterisk are those of Members of the Association. *Fox, Charles James, Esq., appointed Dental Surgeon to the Dental Hospital of London, Soho Square, vice G. A. Ibbetson, Esq., resigned.
*MACONCHY, John K., M.B., appointed Visiting Medical Attendant of the County Down Lunatic Asylum.

BIRTHS.

CHESTER .- On June 13th, at Penally, Pembrokeshire, the wife of A. Chester, Esq.,

Assistant-Surgeon, of a son.

HOOPER.—On June 16th, at Aylesbury, the wife of *Charles Hooper, Esq., Surgeon,

of a son.

HOUGHTON.—On June 18th, at Mount Street, Grosvenor Square, the wife of Henry C. Houghton, M.D., of a son.

MCCLEMENT.—On June 11th, at Bray, Ireland, the wife of Richard Carr McClement, Esq., Surgeon Royal Navy, of a son.

NASH.—On June 18th, at Ladbroke Grove, Kensington Park, the wife of Edmund Nash, M.D., of a daughter.

ROBERTS.—On June 10th, at Manchester, the wife of *John Roberts, M.D., of a daughter.

daughter.

SAVAGE.—On June 9th, at Nent Head, Cumberland, the wife of *G. H. Savage, M.D., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

DICKSON, Lindsay F., M.D., Bengal Army, to Charlotte, youngest daughter of John Kirkpatrick, Esq., of Edinburgh, on June 15th.

Francis, the Rev. Herbert O., to Mary Broadley, youngest daughter of George Symes, M.D., of Bridport, Dorset, on June 17th.

Garlike, Edward W. B., Esq., Surgeon, Cheshunt, to Annie Gordon, eldest daughter of Charles Farlow, Esq., of St. Edmund's Terrace, Regent's Park, on June 17th.

June 17th.
THURSTON, Edward W., Esq., Surgeon, of Ashford, Kent, to Mary Anne, eldest daughter of Charles H. Rule, Esq., of Tollington Park, Hornsey, on June 16th.

ADMISSION OF MEDICINE INTO FRANCE.—The French Government has permitted the sale of Dinneford's Fluid Magnesia in the empire.

BEQUESTS.—Mr. Thomas Coventry, late of Tavistock Square, has left £1,000 each to the Middlesex, University College, Consumption, and Royal Free Hospitals.—The late Charles Risk, formerly manufacturer in Glasgow, has bequeathed to the Glasgow Royal Infirmary, £348:19:6, and to the Glasgow Eye Infirmary, £150.

PROPOSED CONJOINT EXAMINING BOARD.—We hear that Mr. Spencer Smith has a notice of motion for next meeting of Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, which has for its object a Conjoint Board of Examination, composed of members of the present examining boards in London, for the purpose of granting licenses to practise. The proposal is one which commends itself to favour.

VITAL STATISTICS.—The three latest years for which European official statistics are complete present the following results:—In 1865, the births in England were 35.64 per thousand of (estimated) population; in France, 26.54; in Austria, 39.12; in Italy, 38.30; in Spain, 37.87. In 1866, the births in England were 35.54 per thousand; in France, 26.12; in Austria, 44.18; in Italy, 38.67; in Spain, 37.33. In 1867, the births in England were 35.85 per thousand; in France, 26.24; in Austria, 34.74; in Italy, 36.51; in Spain, 37.34. The chief of the Statistical Department of Italy is inclined to attribute the reduced birthrate in 1867 to dearness of provisions caused by a bad harvest in many parts of Europe. The deaths in 1865 were 23.39 per thousand of population in England, 24.31 in France (cholera), 30.99 in Austria, 29.75 in Italy, 37.29 in Spain. Cholera prevailed more extensively in 1866, and the death-rates were 23.61 in England, 23.26 in France, 33.32 in Austria (cholera and war), 28.93 in Italy, 27.96 in Spain. 1867 was a healthy year in the north of Europe; the deaths were 21.98 per thousand in England, 22.68 in France, 28.13 in Austria, 29.14 in Spain, 34.12 in Italy, in which last country about 117,000 persons died of cholera in 1867. The deaths of Frenchmen abroad are registered in the commune of their last domicile.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

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THURSDAY...St. George's, I P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, I P.M.—Royal Orthopædic, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, II A.M.—Hospital for Diseases of the Threat, 2 P.M.

FRIDAY Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 17 A.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.

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MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.—Social Science Association (Adam Street, Adelphi), 8 p.m. Sixth Annual Report of the Coroner for the Central District of Middlesex, by Edwin Lankester, M.D., F.R.S.

SATURDAY.—Association Medical Officers of Health.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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

Dr. Squarev was erroneously mentioned last week as a candidate for the vacant appointment at the Endell Street Hospital.

POOR-LAW APPOINTMENTS.

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IF,—I have sent many dozens of applications to be appointed medical officer for advertised vacancies in Poor-law Unions throughout England, Ireland, and Scotland, but never got any answer whatever, except one of an indefinite nature. This seems to me strange, when I see guardians have sometimes to re-advertise, for vant of an applicant.

Could you offer any solution of the seeming mystery?

June 1869.

L. F. P. S. G. I am, etc.,

THE TREATMENT OF SYPHILIS.

IF,—Will you allow me a corner in your valuable JOURNAL, to thank Dr. Drysdale for his polite though tardy attention to my queries, in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of November last.

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Dr. Drysdale has given us several "typical* cases" of that "extremely common and grave disease", syphilis, cured perfectly and in an incredibly short space of time by five grains of chlorate of potash and five minims of dilute hydrochloric acid, administered thrice a day in an ounce of peppermint-water. Let us take Case v, as a fair illustration. "Kitty C., aged 23, had an indurated sore on the umbilicus, hoarseness, alopecia, and roscola. She was treated from October 8th to November 10th with chlorate of potash mixture three times a day. She was pregrant. In June 1867, she brought a child suffering from snuffles and dry eruption of the buttocks. The child recovered, after taking two grains of chlorate of potash in water thrice a day, in about a month. The mother has had no symptoms since." Now, sir, I hold a grave disease to be one which is either little amenable to treatment, or is cured with difficulty. Under Dr. Drysdale's hands, syphilis is removed from either of these categories; nay, it is reduced to the very simplest of diseases; and must in future be considered vox et praterea nihil.

But there is another side to the question, Quot homines, tot sententiae. At the Royal General Dispensary, I see a great deal of syphilis. I have given every treatment a fair and unprejudiced trial, and put every drug to the most crucial test. Without going into particulars, which would occupy too much of your valuable space, I will simply give the conclusions to which facts have driven meconclusions, I believe, to which every rational man, who can trust the evidence of his senses, must come.

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Chlorate of potash is absolutely useless in syphilis. I have never seen a case benefited by it in the slightest degree; and I have given it for months together to hundreds of patients, including infants.

Iodide of potassium is seldom of use in the early outbreaks of constitutional syphilis; in the later, it is invaluable.

Mercury can seldom be dispensed with in any case of syphilis. In the earlier stages, its curative effects are remarkable; in the later, it will often succeed, when iedde of potassium has failed; and I have never seen any ill effects from its use, where that use has been judicious.

I am, etc.

Maida Hill, April 1860.

R. Sisson, M.D.

** The insertion of Dr. Drysdale's reply was long delayed by the pressure on our space.

^{*} The italics are my own.

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.

WE are most reluctantly compelled, from great press of space, to leave out our Scotch and Irish news, and much other important matter.

DR. CARRUTHERS (General Infirmary, Northampton) presents his compliments to the Editor of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, and would feel obliged if he would inform him what Blind Asylums there are in England?

*** Will any of our readers kindly give us the information desired?

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The Case of Mr. R. Summers.

Medical men are well aware how harshly they are generally treated in courts of justice, and how tardy are their ordinary rights ever meted out to them; but this case far exceeds anything ever recorded in our professional annals of our experience of the bar. In my twenty-five years' practice, I never heard of such an outrage upon our profession. A gentleman is called out of his bed of a wet winter night, and obliged to ride five miles to visit a patient, for which he makes the miserable charge of ros., and 3s. 6d. for the requisite medicine; and being compelled in his own defence to bring the matter before a court, to try and recover this wretched stipend, the presiding functionary declares the charge exorbitant, and reduces it to 5s.; and then, for soot, because our injured brother makes a faint remark of expostulation, the judge commiss him to prison for "contempt of court!"

This case teaches us the necessity of being more united and banded together tresist the aggressive spirit of the public against our rights and privileges. It should teach us not, on the public to rob us, the labourer in their behalf, of our just hire, and to refuse, in all cases similar to the one in question, to go without our fee being pad beforehand, or a certain guarantee to that effect. In fine, it shews us that there is no profession, clerkship, or business, so unfairly dealt with or paid so badly as the strought the punishment upon ourselves by submitting to it so long.

I deeply regret, and I am certain many of our profession will agree with me, that Mr. Summers should have apologised, where such an acknowledgment wis totally uncalled for, as no jury could possibly find him guilty of contempt of court for his mild response to the unjust sentence passed upon him.

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I am, etc., JOHN FRANCIS M'VEAGH, M.D., L.K.Q.C.P.I., etc.

24, Frederick Street, Rutland Square, Dublin, June 1869.

WE are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news reports and other matters of medical interest:—The Wiltshire County Mirrer, June 23rd; The New York Medical Gazette, June 5th; The Parochial Critc, June 16th; The Boston Medical and Surgical Journal, June 3rd; The Melbourne Leader, April 17th; The Lincoln Journal, June 22nd; The Aberdeen Free Press, June 14th; The Western Daily Press, June 22nd.

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Auscultation of the Heart. By F. Churchill, M.B. London: 1869.

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Results of Meteorological Observations, for the week ending Saturday, June 19th, 1869.

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BOURNEMOUTH	29.963	0.840	52.6	49.5	46.4	80	63.4	43.4	20.0	60.6	47.1	153.0	39.0	4.2	4	0.3		••	••	••	3:	2.3	1	0.3	2.2	7	1.23
Dublin Dr. J. W. Moore,	29.992	0.745	52,4	49.0	45.5	78	58.8	38.3	20.5	57.0	46.5		30,6	6.9		0.6		I		••	1.2		3.9	0.3	2.4	6	0.42
Dr. Treutler, F.L.S., etc.	29.913	0.863	51.0	48.7	46.3	84	67.7	40.5	27.2	59.2	44.3	129.1	34.1	7.1	6.3	0.3	0.7	••		••	1.3	2.3	1.7	0.7	3.0	6	1.09
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REMARKS.—There has been a general decrease in atmospheric pressure during the week, while the range has been more extended. Temperature has generally diminished considerably, and has been much below the average; its range has been less. The degree of humidity has been above that of the previous week, though not in itself high. Winds have been variable, blowing chiefly from points between S.W. and N.E. by the North, and with slightly increased though moderate force. Rain has fallen at all stations; at some in considerable quantities,—the largest amount was collected at Bournemouth. The amount of clouds has been much greater; ozone has been fairly abundant. On the whole the weather of the week has been cold and damp, the sky mostly covered with dense clouds, with continuous though not heavy rain; the winds, though in many cases South-Westerly, were yet chilly. In and about Dublin the temperature fell to 1.4° below the freezing point on the night of the 13th, and on the 15th a fresh gale (=9) blew from the N.W., accompanied by heavy showers of hail. Hail fell at Scarborough also on the 15th. The public health generally reported as good.

Plants first seen in flower at Kew and in its vicinity during the week. — Centaurea Cyanus; Ligustrum vulgare; Cephalanthera grandiflora; Gymnadenia conopsea; Listera ovata; Onobrychis sativa; Reseda lutea; Poa rigida; Helianthemum vulgare; Melica uniflora; Silene inflata; Convolvulus arvensis; Linum catharticum; Parietaria officinalis; Poterium Sanguisorba; Plantago major; Sanicula europæa: Monotropa Hypopitys; Galinsoga parviflora.

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