

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST KENT DISTRICT MEDICAL MEETINGS.

THE annual meeting of the members of the above district will be held at the Hospital, Canterbury, on Thursday, May 23rd, at 3 o'clock; the President of the East Kent and Canterbury Medical Society in the Chair.

Dinner will be provided at the Fountain Hotel at 5 o'clock precisely. Charge 5s., exclusive of wine.

All members of the South-Eastern Branch are entitled to attend, and to introduce friends.

Gentlemen who wish to make communications to the meeting are requested to inform me *at once*, in order that a notice thereof may be included in the circular convening the meeting.

CHARLES PARSONS, M.D., *Honorary Secretary*.

2, St. James's Street, Dover, May 1st, 1872.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST SUSSEX DISTRICT MEDICAL MEETINGS.

THE next meeting of the above district will be held at Horsham, on Friday, May 24th; J. S. BOSTOCK, Esq., in the Chair.

Gentlemen desirous of reading papers or bringing forward cases, are requested to communicate with the Honorary Secretary as early as possible.

WM. J. HARRIS, *Honorary Secretary*.

13, Marine Parade, Worthing, April 29th, 1872.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SUSSEX DISTRICT MEDICAL MEETINGS.

THE next meeting of the members of the above district will be held at the Burlington Hotel, Eastbourne, on Friday, May 17th, at 2.45 P.M.; Dr. HAYMAN in the Chair.

Dinner will be provided at 5 o'clock precisely. Charge 5s., exclusive of wine.

All members of the South-Eastern Branch are entitled to attend these meetings, and to introduce professional friends.

Papers have been promised by Dr. Fussell of Brighton (On Feigned Diseases) and by Mr. Colgate of Eastbourne.

Facilities will be afforded for inspecting the All Saints' Convalescent Hospital.

Members wishing to make communications to the meeting, are requested to inform me *at once*, in order that a notice thereof may be included in the circular convening the meeting.

THOMAS TROLLOPE, M.D., *Honorary Secretary*.

35, Marina, St. Leonard's-on-Sea, April 30th, 1872.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE ROYAL ORTHOPÆDIC HOSPITAL.

SIR,—In commenting upon my previous letters, Lord Abinger has failed to understand the statement they contained. Upon the 13th of March, the annual court of the Orthopædic Hospital was immediately followed by a special court. It was to this special court alone that I referred as that in contemplation of which the thirty new governors were made whose subscriptions were forwarded to the Secretary by me. I had nothing whatever to do with the eighty-one new governors who, Lord Abinger says, were added immediately prior to the second special court, held on the 8th April, when his lordship tried, unsuccessfully, to reverse the previous vote. I see, however, that amongst those new governors appear various members of his lordship's own regiment and of his club.

With regard to my personal action at the courts, I did *not* vote at either of them, although both Mr. Tamplin and Mr. Adams did. It is almost too ridiculous to deny that I "betrayed satisfaction by the action of my feet"; but it is not true, and I do deny it, as his lordship has thought it worth his while to make the statement, and you have allowed it to appear in our columns.

It is naturally a source of satisfaction to me that Lord Abinger's opinion of my "professional capacity" should be such as to lead him to be willing to concur in my appointment as full surgeon to the hospital; though the value of this testimonial is, perhaps, somewhat diminished by the mistake his lordship evidently makes of thinking that my promotion would make any change in the nature of either my duties or my relation to my patients.

I am, etc.,

B. E. BRODHURST.

Grosvenor Street, May 1st, 1872.

OBITUARY.

LAWRENCE SPENCER, M.D., PRESTON.

DR. SPENCER died at his residence in Preston on May 1st. For a fortnight he had not been in good health, and had been much overworked. On Monday erysipelas set in in the face. Dr. Spencer had been attending a patient suffering from this disease, and it is believed that he had caught it in that way. Dr. Spencer was born at Burnley in October 1811, and came to Preston when he was thirteen years of age. He was apprenticed to the late Mr. John Gilbertson. In 1834, he became a member of the Royal College of Surgeons, and a Licentiate of the Apothecaries' Company. Subsequently, he became a Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, a Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and a Doctor of Medicine of Aberdeen. He was twice President of the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch of the British Medical Association.

His practice in Preston commenced in 1835, and he had one of the most successful careers of any medical gentleman in this part of Lancashire. He was kind and genial with his patients, tender-hearted to a degree, and he seldom left a sick room without the subject of his visit feeling the most perfect confidence that everything possible would be done in his favour. In public life he stood in the first rank, and was several times a borough councillor. In 1857, he was chosen alderman, and held that position up to the time of his death. In 1857-8, and again in 1870-1, he was Mayor of Preston. He took a very active interest in the establishment and management of the waterworks; he considered himself responsible for the state of the water supplied to the town, and spent a good deal of time in ensuring its purity. To the sick poor his loss is irreparable, and we are sure (says the *Preston Herald*) the announcement of his death will be received with universal sorrow throughout the whole of North Lancashire.

In religion Dr. Spencer was a Churchman, and in politics a Conservative. He has left four sons and two daughters. The eldest son (Mr. W. H. Spencer) is a surgeon practising in Preston; the second is a solicitor in that town; the third is the first Miller Exhibitioner at the Cambridge University; and the fourth is engaged in London completing his medical studies. His wife died a year or two ago.

WILLIAM ANDREW I'ANSON, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

THIS highly respected medical practitioner died on April 4th, at the age of 56. Mr. I'Anson was the son of a Richmond (Yorkshire) barrister, and had been in the active practice of his profession in Newcastle for thirty-five years. In the year 1854, Mr. I'Anson was presented with a valuable testimonial by the inhabitants of the Westgate district of the town, as a mark of appreciation of his unwearied labours among the poor during the cholera epidemic in 1853. Mr. I'Anson enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all classes of his patients, and was justly and deservedly respected for his uniform kindness, assiduous attention, and undoubted abilities. Naturally of a cheerful, generous, and self-denying disposition, and ever ready to do a kind act for a friend, his memory will be long and warmly cherished. His funeral was voluntarily attended by a large number of his professional brethren, friends, and patients, who unmistakably testified their sorrow at the great loss they had sustained. Mr. I'Anson has left two sons, both of whom are members of the profession, and in practice in Newcastle.

GEORGE VAWDREY, M.R.C.S.ENG., HAYLE, CORNWALL.

MR. GEORGE VAWDREY was born in 1806 at St. Mary's, Scilly Islands, of which parish his father was clergyman. He graduated at Trinity College, Dublin, and pursued his medical studies in that city for six years. In 1828, he became a member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, and at once entered the East India Company's naval service, in which he continued until its dissolution. He then married and settled in practice at Hayle. For thirty-eight years he carried on a large practice; but for the last three years with great difficulty, owing to symptoms of fatty degeneration of the heart, of which he died almost suddenly on March 11th. He suffered from what might be called intermittent diabetes for the last seven or eight years; that is to say, during three or four months of the summer the urine was loaded with sugar, of specific gravity 1045; and his thirst was intense. He was the oldest Poor-law officer in the county, and one of the oldest practitioners, being sixty-six years of age. His loss will be felt by very many, and the memory of his constant kindness and great charity to the poor will not quickly die out.

MEDICO-PARLIAMENTARY.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Friday, April 26th.

PUBLIC HEALTH BILL: THE WATER CLAUSES.—Mr. Dimsdale asked the President of the Local Government Board whether he was now prepared to state what modification, if any, he would consent to make in the standard of purity laid down in clause 33 of the Public Health Bill.—Mr. Stansfeld said his suggestions on the subject had been liberally responded to, but he had not yet had time to take them into consideration. He proposed to do so in the course of a few days, and his hon friend might rely upon his assurance that neither hon. members in the House, nor gentlemen interested in the subject outside the House, should be taken by surprise, but that due notice should be given of any modification which he intended to suggest.

MEDICAL NEWS.

THE BAKER BROWN FUND.

This fund is being raised on behalf of Mr. Isaac Baker Brown, who is paralysed, and in great pecuniary distress.

Further List of Subscriptions.

Amount previously advertised	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Exmo. Señor Dr. Melchor Sanchez de Toca, Marques de Toca, Madrid	5	0	0	Dr. Arlidge, Stoke-on-Trent	1	1	0
Mr. G. H. Porter, Surgeon to the Queen in Ireland	2	2	0	Dr. J. Matthews Duncan, Edinburgh	2	2	0
Mr. William Gibbon, Ledbury Road	2	0	0	Mr. Octavius A. Field	2	2	0
Dr. Adolph Rasch	1	1	0	Dr. W. O. Markham	1	0	0
Dr. G. Lichtenberg	1	1	0	Dr. Waters, Chester (additional)	1	1	0
				Mr. Brassey, Chester	1	0	0
				C. E., Matlock	1	1	0

The Honorary Treasurers are Dr. Forbes Winslow, 23, Cavendish Square, and Dr. Charles Cogswell, 47, York Terrace, Regent's Park, to whom subscriptions may be sent; or to Sir Samuel Scott and Co., bankers, 1, Cavendish Square, to the credit of the Baker Brown Charitable Fund.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—At the ordinary quarterly meeting of the College, on Thursday, April 25th, the following member was admitted Fellow.

Wade, Willoughby Francis, M.B.Dub., Temple Row, Birmingham

The following gentlemen were admitted Members.

Cole, Thomas, M.D.Lond., Bath
Farquharson, Robert, M.D.Edin., Junior United Service Club
Grigg, William Chapman, M.D.Edin., Curzon Street, May Fair
Laking, Francis Henry, M.D.Heidelberg, Addison Road, Kensington
Winslow, Henry Forbes, M.D.Lond., Sussex House, Hammersmith

The undermentioned gentlemen, having conformed to the bye-laws and regulations, and passed the required examinations, were granted Licences to practise Physic, including therein the practice of Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery.

Allwood, John Philip, M.R.C.S., the Dispensary, Macclesfield
Arthur, Joseph, M.R.C.S., Commercial Place, Commercial Road
Boon, Alfred Pearl, M.R.C.S., St. Mary's Hospital
Domville, Edward James, M.R.C.S., Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter
Ewart, William, M.R.C.S., St. George's Hospital
Harrison, Richard, M.R.C.S., St. Lawrence Road, Notting Hill
Lammiman, Cleland, M.R.C.S., Cannon Street Road
Pitts, Henry Vate, M.R.C.S., Walton, Liverpool
Roche, Eleazer Birch, M.R.C.S., St. Stephen's Road, Lewisham
Young, Adam, M.R.C.S., Seaman's Hospital, Greenwich

Coltart, William Wilson, who passed his examination in Medicine, July 24th, 1871, and has obtained a recognised qualification in Surgery.

The following candidates, having passed in Medicine and Midwifery, will receive the College Licence on obtaining a qualification in Surgery recognised by the College

Dundas, George Albert, Guy's Hospital
Fagg, Thomas Henry, Talbot Road, Bayswater

Davis, Harry, of University College Hospital, passed his Primary Professional Examination.

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 April 30th.

Addis, Philip, Gloucester Crescent, N.W. (University College)
Bailey, John Andrew, Bushey, Herts (Guy's)

Chicken, Robert Cecil, Nottingham (Guy's)
Cleghorn, George, Calcutta (St. Thomas's)
Drew, Wallace Charles, Exeter (London Hospital)
Flayer, Blaise Bernard, Floore, Northamptonshire (Middlesex)
Galabin, Alfred Lewis, Camberwell Grove (Guy's)
Goldsmith, Septimus Jesse, Brixton (St. George's)
Hutchings, Robert Huntriss, Southsea, Hants (Guy's)
Laver, Arthur Henry, Rayleigh, Essex (St. Thomas's)
Maybury, Aurelius Victor, Frimley, Surrey (St. Thomas's)
Newman, Alfred Samuel, Birmingham (Birmingham School)
Parkes, William Edmund, Birmingham (Birmingham School)
Ritchie, James, Edinburgh (Edinburgh School)
Thomson, William, Charles Street, Grosvenor Square, (Edinburgh School)
Underhill, Arthur Stopford, Tipton, Staffordshire (Dublin School)
Wright, Francis James, Preston, Lancashire (St. Thomas's)

The following were admitted members on May 1st.

Cave, Alfred, Newport, Isle of Wight (London)
Critchett, George Anderson, Harley Street (Middlesex)
Chilcot, James, Southsea (University College)
Dixon, John Francis, Bournemouth (St. Bartholomew's)
Groves, Matthias, Radpole, near Weymouth (St. Bartholomew's)
Hacon, Walter Edward, Mare Street, Hackney (Guy's)
Hawthorn, William, Uttoxeter, Staffordshire (London)
Knott, Charles, Portsmouth, (Guy's)
Morris, Sydney, Hayes, Kent (St. Bartholomew's)
Oates, James Pimlott, Stourbridge, Worcestershire (Birmingham School)
Pitts, Robert Zacheus, Hingham, Norfolk (Middlesex)
Price, H. F. Jones, Iron Works, Dowlais, Glamorganshire (Manchester School)
Roberson, Edward, Tytherington, Gloucestershire (Charing Cross)
Sparrow, Robert Launcelot, Dublin (Dublin School)
Thompson, Francis Henry, Tenbury, Worcestershire (St. Thomas's)
Williams, Benjamin Harvey, Haverfordwest (Guy's)

The following were admitted members on May 2nd.

Baldock, Alfred, Upper Holloway (St. Bartholomew's)
Dundas, George Albert, St. George's Road, S.E. (Guy's)
Fosbrooke, George, Bidford, Redditch (Westminster)
Harris, John Delpratt, Exeter (St. Bartholomew's)
Kinson, Joseph, Croydon (Guy's)
Mc Cammon, James, M.D., Kingston, Canada (Guy's)
Wall, Abiathas, Bayswater (St. Bartholomew's)

Five candidates passed the examinations in Surgery, and, when qualified in Medicine, will be admitted Members of the College; and eighteen candidates, having failed to acquit themselves to the satisfaction of the Court of Examiners, were referred to their hospital studies for six months.

The next primary or anatomical and physiological examination for the diploma of membership takes place this day (Saturday).

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, April 18th, 1872.

Dudley, William Henry, Stafford
Harrison, Richard, Kensington Park
Roberts, William, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Sheldon, William, Wednesbury
Thurland, Francis Edward, Thurstaston, Cheshire
Triggs, John Bellhouse Bowden, Falmouth
Withington, James Bissell, Woburn Place

The following gentlemen also on the same day passed their first professional examination.

Hewett, Frederick Charles, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Stevens, Alfred Felix, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

As Assistants in compounding and dispensing medicines.

Cole, Edward Henry, Leeds
Cottam, William Procter, Launceston
Dixon, John Seth, Tunstall, Staffordshire
Harrington, Arthur Lewis, Rochford, Essex
Haworth, Benjamin Henry, Market Rasen
Vince, James, Launceston
Williams, William Griffith, Abergyle

The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, April 25th, 1872.

Lyle, Henry Bowden, Graham Road, Hackney
Goodchild, Nathaniel, Kentish Town Road

The following gentlemen also on the same day passed their first professional examination.

Nunez, Daniel, Guy's Hospital
Williamson, George Edward, London Hospital

At the Preliminary Examination in Arts, held at the Hall of the Society, on the 26th and 27th of April, 1872, 50 candidates presented themselves; of whom 23 were rejected, and the following 27 passed, and received certificates of proficiency in general education; viz., in the First Class, in the order of merit.

1. James Herbert Simpson. 2. William Saunders. 3. William Henry Battle, Philip Mackay Ellis, Arthur Edward Griffin, John Devenish Hoppus, and Alice M. Rowland.

In the Second Class, in alphabetical order.

George Sainthill Badcock, Ernest Belfort Bax, Edward Cooper Bentham, Robert John Boyd, Herbert Buckley, Francis Alfred Dent, Philip Francis Gilbert,

Edward Hope, Richard Woodward Isbell, J. W. Y. H. Lavies, Ella Lawson, Angel Money, Stephen Thomas Phillips, Adrien Pigot Platt, Walter Reginald Roberts, Ernest Laurie Robinson, Henry Phillips Smith, Walter Tyrrell, Sydney Watkins, and Charles Godfrey Hugh Williams.

Of the fifty candidates, nineteen had been previously rejected; and of those nineteen, thirteen have again failed to pass the examination.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are announced:—

ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL, Cambridge—House-Surgeon.
ALTRINCHAM UNION, Cheshire—Medical Officer for the Workhouse at Knutsford: £50 per annum, and midwifery and vaccination fees.
ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE DISTRICT INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon: £80 per annum, residence and maintenance.
AYSARTH UNION, Yorkshire—Medical Officer for the Hawes District: £30 per annum.—Medical Officer for the Workhouse: £10 per annum.
BELPER UNION, Derbyshire—Medical Officer for the Smalley District: £27:10 per annum, and extra fees.
BROUGHTY FERRY, Forfarshire—Medical Officer of Health.
CARMARTHENSHIRE INFIRMARY, Carmarthen—Two Physicians.
CELBRIDGE UNION, co. Kildare—Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and Registrar of Births, etc., for the Celbridge Dispensary District: £100 per annum, and fees.
CHERTSEY UNION, Surrey—Medical Officer for District No. 1: £80 per annum.—Medical Officer for the Workhouse: £50 per annum.
COOTEHILL UNION, co. Cavan—Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and Registrar of Births, etc., for the Drum Dispensary District: £85 per ann., and fees.
ECHT, Aberdeenshire, Parish of—Medical Officer.
EDDRACHILLIS and DURNES, Sutherlandshire—Parochial Medical Officer: £140 per annum, £10 to provide medicine, house, and garden.
EVIE, Orkney—Medical Practitioner: £200 per annum.
GLASGOW, City Parish—Assistant Apothecary for the Parliamentary Road Dispensary: £45 first year, £50 second, and £60 third.
GREAT NORTHERN HOSPITAL—Ophthalmic Surgeon.
GUILDFORD UNION, Surrey—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Woking District: £80 per annum, and fees.
HOLBEACH UNION, Lincolnshire—Medical Officer for the Long Sutton District: £30 per ann.—Medical Officer for the Sutton Bridge District: £20 per ann.
ISLE OF MAN GENERAL HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY—Resident Medical Officer: £85 per annum, rooms, attendance, cooking, coal, and gas.
LENZIE, near Glasgow—Visiting Medical Officer to the Convalescent Home at: £50 per annum.
LOUDOUN, Ayrshire—Medical Officer for the District of Newmilns: £30 per annum.
MAGHERAFELT UNION, co. Londonderry—Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and Registrar of Births, etc., for the Maghera Dispensary District: £100 per annum, and fees.
MIDDLESEX LUNATIC ASYLUM, Hanwell—Medical Superintendent of the Male Department: £600 per annum, furnished house (rates and taxes free), coal, gas, milk, and vegetables.
MONIFIETH, Forfarshire—Parochial Medical Officer.
NAAS UNION, co. Kildare—Medical Officer for the Kilcullen District: £100 per annum and fees.
NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE UNION—Medical Officer for District No. 7: £40 per annum, and extra fees.
NORTH RIDING INFIRMARY, Middlesborough-on-Tees—House-Surgeon.
NORWICH FRIENDLY SOCIETIES MEDICAL INSTITUTE—Surgeon.
OXFORD UNIVERSITY—Waynflete Professor of Chemistry: £600 per annum.
RATHKEALE UNION, co. Limerick—Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and Registrar of Births, etc., for the Askeaton Dispensary District: £100 per annum, and fees.
ROYAL DRAMATIC, EQUESTRIAN, & MUSICAL SICK FUND—Surgeon.
ROYAL KENT DISPENSARY, Greenwich—Physician.—Surgeon for the Lee District.
SHEFFIELD GENERAL INFIRMARY—Assistant House-Surgeon: £65 per annum, board, lodging, and washing.
SLEAT, Skye—Parochial Medical Officer.
THURLES UNION, co. Tipperary—Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and Registrar of Births, etc., for the Holycross Dispensary District: £100 per annum, and fees.
TROON, Ayrshire—Parochial Medical Officer.
UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL—Resident Medical Officer.
WEST BROMWICH DISTRICT HOSPITAL—House-Surgeon: £80 per annum, board and residence.
WESTHAMPTON UNION, Sussex—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Rumboldswyke and Boxgrove District: £240 per annum, and extra fees.
WEXFORD UNION—Medical Officer for the Crossabeg Dispensary District: £80 per annum.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

Names marked with an asterisk are those of Members of the Association.

WOLSTENHOLME, John H., Esq., appointed Medical Officer and Vaccinator for the district of Rhuddlan, Certifying Surgeon of Factories, and Honorary Surgeon to the Female Convalescent Hospital, Rhyl.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, is 3s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps with the communication.

DEATHS.

HALDAN, John Campbell, Esq., Surgeon to the Ayrshire Yeomanry Cavalry, at Ayr, aged 63, on April 23rd.
LILLEY, John, Esq., Surgeon, at Wisbech, Cambridgeshire, on April 15th.
NORRIS.—On April 26th, at Brierley Hill, aged 46, *Wm. Lascelles Norris, Esq., Surgeon, eldest son of Wm. Norris, M.D., of Stourbridge.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.
TUESDAY Guy's, 1.30 P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—National Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Free, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—West London, 3 P.M.
WEDNESDAY .. St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Mary's, 1.30 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children, 2.30 P.M.—Cancer Hospital, Brompton, 3 P.M.—King's College, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 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.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.
FRIDAY Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.—Royal South London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.
SATURDAY 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, 2 P.M.—East London Hospital for Children, 2 P.M.—Hospital for Women, 9.30 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 9.30 A.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.—Medical Society of London, 8 P.M. (At the Architectural Society's Rooms, 9, Conduit Street, Regent Street.) Mr. F. J. Gant will deliver an Oration; after which, a *conversazione* will be held.
TUESDAY.—Pathological Society of London, 8 P.M. Discussion on the subject of Pyæmia, introduced by Dr. Burdon Sanderson; after which, the following specimens will be exhibited:—Dr. Moxon: Lymphoid Cancer of the Small Intestine. Mr. Hulke: The parts after operation for Cancer of Penis. Mr. Gay: A Cyst—Sequestrum from the Tibia. Dr. Crisp: Disease of the Cerebellum—Intussusception in an Infant. Mr. Arnott: Multiple Exostosis. Dr. Hawkes: An Intracranial Tumour. Dr. T. Sutton Townsend: Ossified Aneurism of the Left Ventricle of the Heart.
WEDNESDAY.—Epidemiological Society, 8 P.M. Mr. R. Lawson (President), "On the influence of Fever in checking the advance of Cholera."
FRIDAY.—Clinical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Burney Yeo, "Case of Paralysis of the Senses of Smell and Taste following Concussion of the Brain"; Dr. Greenhow, "Case of Progressive Muscular Atrophy"; Dr. Baümle, "Case of Enteritis"; Dr. Broadbent, "Left Hemiplegia, with Convulsions and Coma."

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

CORRESPONDENTS not answered, are requested to look to the Notices to Correspondents of the following week.

WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE TO RETURN MANUSCRIPTS NOT USED.

FOR replies to questions concerning Poor-law medical questions, see Poor law Medical Department, under charge of Mr. Benson Baker, London, and Dr. Maunsell, Dublin.

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

COMMUNICATIONS respecting editorial matters should be addressed to the Editor; those concerning business matters, non-delivery of the JOURNAL, etc., should be addressed to the General Manager, at the Office, 37, Great Queen Street, W.C.

ERRATUM.—In Dr. Philipson's case of leucocythæmia, reported in last week's JOURNAL, at page 448, col. 1, line 21 from bottom, for "No *bruit* was heard over the murmur," read "No *bruit* was heard over the tumour."

MR. FAIRLIE CLARKE asks whether there is any institution where a poor dumb boy, aged 12, could be received and taught on Mr. Van Praagh's system.

DIALOGUS.—The office of the London Dialectical Society is at 1, Adam Street, Adelphi.

DR. GLASCOTT (Manchester) is thanked for the important contribution which he has forwarded.

DR. J. THOMPSON DICKSON will lecture on Mental Diseases at Guy's Hospital on Monday mornings during the Summer Session; and will meet his class for clinical instruction at Peckham House, on Fridays, at 10 A.M.

THE SHREWSBURY CASE UNDER THE MEDICAL ACT.—We understand that the appeal in the case of Andrews, last week referred to, is set down for hearing during the present term.

DR. BADIA (Barcelona).—Received, and shall have careful consideration.

THE LONDON HOSPITAL SCHOOL.—"Iratus" reasserts the substantial accuracy of his statement as to the incompleteness of the anatomical teaching this year, but holds that Mr. Rivington is blameless in the matter. Referring to the present discussion, he hopes and believes that, although (as in the case of a patient on the operating-table) the situation is unpleasant now, the consequences of this dispute will be salutary both to hospital and to school, initiating reforms and changes which are needed, and which will promote the efficiency and reputation of the institution.

NOTICES of Births, Marriages, Deaths, and Appointments, intended for insertion in the JOURNAL, should arrive at the Office not later than 10 A.M. on Thursday.

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS.—At the final examination for the Diploma of Membership of the College of Surgeons, the following questions were submitted to the candidates at the written examination. *Surgery.* 1. How would you distinguish, surgically, chronic induration of the breast from scirrhus? What are the microscopic appearances by which each is characterised? 2. Describe the operation of excision of the elbow joint; and state under what circumstances it may be required. 3. What treatment should be adopted in a case of incised wound of the cornea with protrusion of the iris? Mention the consequences which may ensue, and the proper mode of dealing with them. 4. What are the causes which may impede the union of a fracture of a long bone? Describe the modes of treatment which might be resorted to in order to promote the cure of an ununited fracture. 5. Describe deligation of the right carotid artery in the first part of its course: giving the exact relations of the parts concerned in the operation. 6. Mention the different forms of nævus; and the appropriate modes of treatment. *Medicine.* 1. Describe a case of paralysis of the facial nerve, and mention the causes upon which it may depend, and the treatment you would adopt for its relief. 2. What are the circumstances which would induce you to have recourse to thoracentesis in a case of effusion in the pleural sac? State how you would perform the operation, and the changes that would follow it, supposing the case to terminate in cure. 3. Write prescriptions in Latin in full, and the directions in English, for a diuretic mixture and a purgative powder; and give the compositions and doses of the following preparations in the *British Pharmacopæia*:—Pulvis jalapæ compositus; Mistura ferri composita; Tinctura camphoræ composita; Liquor morphia hydrochloratis. —The following questions in Anatomy and Physiology were put at the recent primary examination. 1. Describe the occipital bone, noticing (1) its relations and mode of connexion with other bones; (2) the foramina existing in it, or into whose formation it enters, naming, but not further describing, the parts passing through them; (3) the muscles attached to it and their points of attachment. Then give its mode of development and ossification. 2. How much food, solid and liquid, is required daily by a man under ordinary circumstances? Mention the principal causes which determine the quantity and quality of food necessary to maintain health. How do you explain the operation of these causes? Write out a diet-scale for a man in active work. 3. Describe the structure and functions of the soft palate, including the anatomy of the muscles connected with it, and the arteries and nerves supplying it. 4. What parts are brought into view on the removal of the deltoid muscle? 5. Give the origin, course, connexions, and distribution of the portio dura. 6. State the chemical composition and the characters of glycogen; state where it is principally found; give the tests by which it is recognised, and a procedure by which it may be procured in an isolated state.

CONSULTATIONS.

INQUIRER.—1. It cannot be defined absolutely to be the duty of either patient or attendant to ask for a consultation. It is a question of individual judgment and impulse, and may be settled by either party in each case. The friends can ask for a consultation, if they please; the medical attendant may do so if he think fit, for his own assistance or protection. 2. A medical attendant is, of course, not blamable, in the event of a patient dying, for not asking for a consultation, if he saw nothing in the case to require further opinion than his own. But many consultations are called to avoid a blame which is unreasonable, yet annoying and perhaps mischievous. We do not see how we can give any more decided reply to cover a case stated in very general terms.

TEETOTALISM AN AID TO GOOD HEALTH.—At the annual meeting of the Streatham Temperance Society, held on February 29th, the Rev. Stenton Eardley, Vicar of Immanuel Church, stated some striking facts respecting a Foresters' Lodge that holds its meetings in his school-room. 1. In 1869, the lodge numbered 120 members, of whom 22 were teetotallers. The total amount paid to sick members during the year was £97. Of this sum, the share of the twenty-two teetotallers would have been £17:15:8; but the sum received by them was only £1:5:2. In 1870, the lodge had 136 members, of whom 25 were teetotallers. The amount paid during that year to the sick was £91. If the teetotallers had been sick in the same proportion as the other members, they would have received £16:14:6; the amount actually received by them was 14s. 3. In 1871, the lodge contained 150 members, including 45 teetotallers. The sick money for the year amounted to £68. The proportion due to the 45 teetotallers was £20:8; but they (poor weakly fellows) did not claim or receive one penny. So much for teetotal sickness and the power of beer to keep up working men. It keeps them up to the mark in sickness, and causes the drinkers of it to be a burden on their benefit clubs.—*Temperance Record.*

EXAMINATION OF PAUPER LUNATICS.

SIR.—In the year 1849, I entered into contract with the Board of Guardians and the Poor-law Board to attend to the poor of the No. 12 District in the said Union, including the workhouse, in accordance with the conditions of the Consolidated Orders then in existence. In the year 1854, an order came out for me to examine the lunatics in that district every quarter, and report their condition to the Commissioners of Lunacy; and receive 2s. 6d. each, and send in the account half-yearly. I did this, and was paid regularly until a short time back, when the clerk informed me it was discontinued by the advice of one or two guardians, on a statement in Lumley's Manual—viz., that "lunatics in the union-house are not to be paid for". May I ask, are the Board justified in this course?

I am, etc., H. H.

* * * H. H. cannot charge or be paid for examining lunatics in the workhouse; but for any pauper lunatics in the district he can charge, and can insist upon payment every three months, at the rate of 2s. 6d. per case. (*Visé* sec. 15 and 17 Vic., c. 97, sec. 66, and 25 and 26 Vic., c. 111, s. 21.) Every pauper lunatic not in an asylum, registered hospital, or licensed house, is required to be visited by the medical officer of the parish, or union, or district, who is entitled to a fee of 2s. 6d. for each visit to a pauper lunatic not in a workhouse.

TATTOOING.

SIR.—In reply to "Incredulous", I have a friend who has tattoo marks on his hands. I repeatedly blistered them, and subjected the blistered surface to the action of chlorine, without rendering the marks any fainter. I am not aware that any affection of the skin, unless of sufficient severity to destroy the cutis vera, would obliterate tattoo-marks. Certainly the eruption of scarlatina or measles has no such effect. I am, etc. JAMES STEWART, L.R.C.P.E., etc.

Nantwich, March 20th, 1872.

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

PUBLIC VACCINATION.

SIR.—I wish to know at what age I can revaccinate the children of paupers under my contract, no age being specified therein. At one of my vaccinating stations, I was suddenly called upon to vaccinate several children of the ages of eight to ten years, by the wish of the guardian of the parish. The children had all been vaccinated by me in infancy, and the cicatrices were perfect. I was not prepared to vaccinate so many, and several adults were awaiting revaccination. I have asked this question of the clerk to my board, who cannot give me any definite answer; and the vaccination officer for my district is not competent to give me any information. If any of your correspondents or yourself can give me this information, I shall be greatly obliged.

I am, etc.,

A PUBLIC VACCINATOR.

P.S. The regulations of the Privy Council specify the age of fourteen or fifteen, which appears to me the proper age.

INTRAUTERINE FETAL MOVEMENTS.

SIR.—In reply to Alpha, I may say that movement in the child before the membranes are ruptured is highly probable; and I do not believe that the admission of air into the uterus during an examination would be sufficient, if any were admitted, to produce any effect on the foetus. Yet, in a case of hand-presentation, I have felt the hand contract on my finger—which, by the way, is a good diagnostic sign of life in hand-presentations, for which I am indebted to the Rotunda, Dublin. It is equally available in footling cases.

London, April 12th, 1872.

I am, etc.,

HENRY M. STEELE.

P.S.—I have not found the above sign of life mentioned in any book on midwifery that I have seen.

H. M. S.

EAST LONDON SEWAGE.—We have received complaints from the East of London, of proposals to erect sewage-tanks near Poplar, in positions likely, it is said, to injure the public health; and we have, at the request of some influential inhabitants, appointed a commissioner to inquire into the circumstances.

CERTIFICATES AS TO THE PROBABLE CAUSE OF DEATH.

A CORRESPONDENT asks whether he is bound to give a certificate as to the probable cause of the death of a child upon whose life an insurance is effected in a friendly society. The 21 and 22 Vic., c. 101, sec. 10, requires a certificate of a medical practitioner as to the probable cause of the death of a child upon whose life an insurance is effected in any such society; and provides that, when the child shall have been attended immediately before its death by a medical officer of an union, on account of such union, such officer shall give to the parents or friends of the deceased child this certificate, without being entitled to a fee; and, if the child shall not have been attended by such medical officer, nor by any medical practitioner, the medical officer of the union or parish in which such child shall have been resident shall deliver such certificate, and be entitled to receive from the persons applying for the same a fee of one shilling. This Act applies to both England and Ireland. It was intended to benefit friendly societies, so that they should be independent of medical advisers, and to do away with the necessity for medical inspection in the case of insurance of children under ten in burial societies. We commend it to the notice of baby-farmers.

We are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news, reports, and other matters of medical interest:—The Liverpool Weekly Albion, April 27th; The Yorkshire Post and Leeds Intelligencer, April 20th; The Birmingham Morning News, April 24th; Saunders's News-Letters and Daily Advertiser, April 25th; etc.

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