

This will be especially valuable to junior practitioners and in the case of disputed charges, as it is probable that in both these cases the old assertion of the "guinea fee" proved hurtful to rural medical men and younger men in cities. The patients are divided into three classes, the basis of division being the rent of their residences; viz., Class I, rent £10 to £25; Class II, £25 to £50; Class III, £50 to £100. The fees proposed are as follows. Single visit, Class I, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d.; Class II, 3s. 6d. to 5s.; Class III, 5s. to 7s. 6d. Special visit (that is, on an urgent message, or when the visit has been requested after the practitioner has commenced his daily rounds), a visit and a half. Night visit (that is, from 11 P.M. till 7 A.M.), two visits. Seaside visits, according to time and distance, but not less than 10s. 6d. Detention of more than half an hour, at patient's desire or from urgency of case, first class, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d.; second class, 3s. 6d. to 5s.; third class, 5s. to 7s. 6d. Advice at practitioner's residence, or letter of advice, same as visit. Attendance on servants, if employer be responsible, first class, 2s. 6d. to 3s. 6d.; second class, 3s. 6d. to 5s.; third class, 5s. to 7s. 6d. If servants pay for themselves, according to Class I or II. Visit or advice of ordinary attendant with a consultant, two visits. Consultant's fee, not less than 21s., unless with the consent of the practitioner previously in attendance. More than one patient in a house, if head of family be responsible, half visit for each additional patient; if not responsible, full charge. Simple certificate, one visit. Lunacy certificate, 10s. to 42s. Certificate of death, if person insured, to be paid by persons interested in policy, 21s. Ordinary midwifery case (attendance beyond nine days to be charged for extra), first class, 21s.; second class, 21s. to 63s.; third class, 42s. to 105s. Difficult or protracted labours, an extra charge. Midwifery consultant, same for as first attendant. Vaccination by regular attendant, by number of visits. Vaccination by other than the regular attendant, one and a half the visits. Mileage outside the borough boundary, per mile, first class, 1s. 6d.; second class, 2s.; third class, 2s. 6d.

THE RIGHTS OF LICENTIATES OF COLLEGES OF PHYSICIANS.

DOUBTS having been raised as to whether or not medical practitioners in England, not possessed of any qualification or licence from the Society of Apothecaries of London, but holding the licence of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh solely, and as such registered under the Medical Act, can, under the provisions of the Medical Act, sue for the cost of medicines supplied by them,

The Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh have requested the opinion of counsel on the following points. 1. Can a medical practitioner in England, holding the licence of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, as such licentiate solely, and as such registered under the Medical Act, and without being possessed of any licence from the Society of Apothecaries of London, sue in any court of law for the cost of medicines supplied by him, while in attendance on a medical case, or would he be liable to a conviction under the Apothecaries' Act for having so supplied such medicine? 2. Supposing that, by the Apothecaries' Act, a licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh was prevented from suing for medicines supplied, would the fact of his having supplied medicines, although he made no charge therefor, incapacitate him from suing for, and recovering reasonable charges for professional aid, advice, and visits?

Opinion.—1. We are clearly of opinion that a medical practitioner, duly licensed by the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and registered as such licentiate under the Medical Act, may dispense medicines in England, may sue in any court for medicines so supplied by him, and would not be liable to a conviction under the Apothecaries' Act for having supplied them. The Medical Act superadds another qualification upon that required by the Apothecaries' Act, viz., that the practitioner dispensing medicines as part of his professional practice shall be (among others) a fellow or licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh, and registered as such. The Apothecaries' Act is not repealed. It still has its application to persons not having the new qualification conferred by the Medical Act, but its provisions are superseded where the new qualification attaches. 2. In our view, it becomes unnecessary to answer the second query.

(Signed) G. JESSEL; J. H. LLOYD.

A NÆSTHETICS.

METHYLENE ETHER.

MR. T. EASTES, dresser in the eye wards at Guy's Hospital, forwards us the following.

Methylene ether has been administered ten times, for operations on the eye, at Guy's Hospital. In five of the ten cases, there was vomiting within five minutes of its being inhaled. The vomiting was slight in only one of the five cases. Insensibility was generally produced in four minutes; two, three, or four drachms of the methylene ether being used to attain that state. Struggling and excitement occurred very much as with chloroform. Two patients, who had taken chloroform badly, were readily rendered insensible by the methylene ether. As a rule, the pulse became rather stronger; in one case it became very irregular. The operations were of the following kinds:—On the eyelids, 3; on the iris, 4; on the cornea, 1; on the sclerotic, 1; on the capsule of the lens, 1.

DEATH FROM CHLOROFORM.

WE regret to have to record another death from chloroform, which occurred last week at St. Thomas's Hospital. The patient, a boy aged 15, had been the subject of fever from simultaneous necrosis of the right humerus, left thigh, right tibia, and a metatarsal bone, four months previously. An examination was being made of his right humerus, which had recently undergone spontaneous fracture whilst the lad was tucking his shirt into his breeches. A very small quantity of chloroform was given (one or two drachms), and he was hardly brought under its influence. It was administered by the house-surgeon. The heart had been previously examined, and nothing amiss found. The examination of the arm had been completed, and directions given for the treatment. In recovering consciousness, the boy vomited, bringing up some greenish fluid. Suddenly his pulse, previously good, stopped; the pupils were widely dilated; and respiration was impeded. Artificial respiration and galvanism were at once had recourse to, and persevered in for an hour and a half, but without the least return of the heart's action. Generally, his viscera were healthy; but some parts of the heart and a kidney were put aside for examination. The chloroform was administered very carefully, in two doses, on lint. His pulse was not such as to contraindicate the administration of chloroform. He seemed to have died from syncope during his recovery from the anæsthetic.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL: NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Committee of Council will be held on Wednesday, the 9th day of April next, at the Office of the Association, 37, Great Queen Street, London, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

37, Great Queen Street, 28th March, 1873.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH: PATHOLOGICAL AND CLINICAL SECTION.

THE next meeting will be held at the Midland Institute, Birmingham, on Friday, March 28th, at Three o'clock.

VINCENT JACKSON, Wolverhampton, } Honorary
ROBERT JOLLY, Birmingham, } Secretaries.

Birmingham, March 18th, 1873.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.

THE spring meeting is appointed to be held at the Royal Clarence Hotel, Bridgwater, on Thursday, April 3rd, at 5.15 P.M.

The following question will be discussed after dinner:—"What is the best plan of preventing the spread of infectious and contagious diseases, having special reference to Dr. Budd's mode of treatment by camphorated oil and baths?"

Gentlemen who intend to be present at dinner, or who may have communications for the meeting, are requested to send notice thereof to the Secretary.

W. M. KELLY, M.D., *Honorary Secretary.*
Taunton, March 11th, 1873.

deputation waited on the Mayor, at a meeting of the General Purposes Committee, to petition him to call a public meeting if the Committee should decide to give a salary of £300 per annum. It was also suggested that the offices of medical officer and nuisance-inspector should be combined, and that the Government Local Board should pay part of the salary. Government control was, however, considered by the meeting to be undesirable; and it was finally resolved to appoint a medical officer of health at a salary of £100 a year, and that he should not be required to devote the whole of his time to the duties of the office.

ORMSKIRK.—It was resolved at the last meeting of the Guardians to form Burscough, with an acreage of 6,827, into one district, and to appoint a medical officer of health with a salary of £15 per annum—the officer finding all medical and surgical appliances. Another district was formed with an officer of £30, and with the same conditions.

RIPON.—Mr. Thomas Collier has been appointed Medical Officer of Health for the Rural Sanitary District of Ripon, at a salary of £150.

WEST BROMWICH.—Mr. John Manley has been appointed medical officer of health for West Bromwich, with a salary of £50. The area of the district is 5710 acres; and the population in 1871 was 47,908.

OBITUARY.

JAMES WALSH, M.D., STAFF-SURGEON, ROYAL NAVY.

DR. WALSH, who was a native of Limerick, entered the medical service of the Royal Navy in 1838. He was assistant-surgeon of the *Zebra* at the siege of St. Jean d'Acre. After the taking of Acre, Dr. Walsh visited the Holy Land, and at Jerusalem was created a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre, being invested with the sword and spurs of Godfrey de Bouillon. He subsequently served on the North American and West Indian stations; and was afterwards promoted to the rank of surgeon, and appointed to the coast of Africa. Fever breaking out on the station, his exertions in its treatment were so successful that he did not lose a single man. On this occasion, he was presented by the crew of his ship with a cocked hat, sword, and epaulettes as "a token of their respect." During the war in the Crimea, he served with the Royal Marines as the senior-surgeon on shore. For his services, he received Her Majesty's medal with two clasps (Balaclava and Sebastopol), and the Sultan's medal, and was also made a Knight of the Legion of Honour by the Emperor of the French. After serving for three years as surgeon of the receiving ship at Greenwich, he was made staff-surgeon. He retired from the service in April, 1870.

Dr. Walsh was a licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians of London, a member of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, and a Doctor in Medicine of the University of St. Andrew's. He died recently in Limerick, of abscess of the ear affecting the membranes of the brain.

MEDICAL NEWS.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, March 13th, 1873.

Conohy, Stephen Fullom, Bradford
Cookson, Hugh Alexander, Stowmarket
Grindrod, Charles Frederick, Malvern
Palmer, Frederick John Morton, Old Kent Road
Shapley, Harry Thomas, Torquay
Todd, William Hurford, Whitechapel

The following gentleman also on the same day passed his primary professional examination.

Johnstone, C. R., St. Mary's Hospital

As Assistants in compounding and dispensing medicines.

Adams, Richard, Market Drayton
Edkins, Arthur Edward, Malden, Essex

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are announced:—

AXMINSTER UNION, Devonshire—Medical Officer for the Kilmington District: £128 4 per annum.

BASINGSTOKE URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT—Medical Officer of Health and Analyst: £60 for one year.

BISHOPS STORTFORD, Buntingford, Hertford, Royston, and Ware Rural Sanitary Districts, and Bishops Stortford Urban Sanitary Districts, combined—Medical Officer of Health: £700 per annum. Applications to Thomas Sworder, Esq., Hertford.

BRACKLEY UNION, Northamptonshire—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for District No. 4: £60 per annum, and fees.

BLEAN, Bridge, East Ashford, Eastray, Elham, West Ashford, and Thanet Rural Sanitary Districts, and Dover Urban Sanitary District, combined—Medical Officer of Health: £800 per annum. Applications to Allen Fielding, Esq., Canterbury.

BRADFORD (Yorkshire) FEVER HOSPITAL—Physician.

BRADFORD (Yorkshire) INFIRMARY and DISPENSARY—Physician.—Surgeon.

CARMARTHEN INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon: £100 per annum, lodging, coal, and candles. Applications to H. Howell, Secretary.

CLITHEROE UNION, Lancashire—Medical Officer for the new Workhouse and Infirmary: £20 per annum.

COCKERMOUTH RURAL, and Cockermouth, Keswick, and Workington Urban Sanitary Districts—Medical Officer of Health: £400 per annum.

COLCHESTER URBAN SANITARY DISTRICT—Medical Officer of Health: £150 per annum.

DRIFFIELD UNION, Yorkshire—Medical Officer for the Driffield District: £16 per annum.

ESSEX COUNTY GAOL, Chelmsford—Medical Officer.

GALWAY UNION—Apothecary to the Workhouse and the Galway Dispensary: £70 and £30 per annum, and furnished apartments. Applications to Thomas Stack, Esq., Galway.

GLOUCESTER, Chepstow, Dursley, Chipping Sodbury, Thornbury, Cirencester, Tetbury, and Westbury-on-Severn Rural Sanitary Districts, and Awre, Cirencester, Kingsholm St. Catherine, Newham, Tetbury, and Westbury-on-Severn Urban Sanitary Districts, combined—Medical Officer of Health: £600 per annum, and £200 per annum for expenses. Applications to L. G. Hubert Mayer, Esq., Gloucester.

HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST, Brompton—Two Resident Clinical Assistants.

KILDALTON in ISLAY—Parochial Medical Officer: £70 per annum, and £60 per annum from another source. Applications to Colin Hay, Esq., Ardbeg, Port Ellen, Islay.

LEEDS—Public Analyst: £100 per annum. Applications to C. A. Curwood Esq., Town Clerk.

LEXDEN and WINSTREE RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT—Medical Officer of Health: £200 per annum.

LOUGHREA UNION, co. Galway—Medical Officer, Public Vaccinator, and Registrar of Births, etc., for the Bullaun Dispensary District: £100 per annum, and fees. Applications to James Wallace, Esq., Cahcticinny, Loughrea.

MANCHESTER ROYAL EYE INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon and Secretary: £50 per annum, to commence, board, lodging, and washing.

NEW FOREST UNION—Medical Officer for the Fawley and Exbury District: £46 per annum.

NOTTINGHAM DISPENSARY—Assistant Resident Surgeon: £140 per annum, furnished apartments, coal, and gas.

NUNEATON UNION, Warwickshire—Medical Officer for the Nuneaton District: £55 per annum.

PERTH COUNTY and CITY INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon.

ST. MARYLEBONE—Dispenser to the Southern Dispensary, East Street: £80 per annum, furnished apartments, coal, and gas.

ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL, Quay Street, Manchester—Honorary Surgeon.

SHERBORNE UNION—Medical Officer for the North East District: £40 per annum, and fees.

SUNDERLAND GENERAL INFIRMARY and DISPENSARY—Junior House-Surgeon: £80 per annum, board, lodging, and washing.

WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—Lecturer on Botany. Applications to George Cowell, Esq., the Acting Dean.

WEST LONDON HOSPITAL, Hammersmith—House-Surgeon.

WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL—Surgeon.

WEST SUSSEX, etc., INFIRMARY, Chichester—House-Surgeon: £80 per annum, board, lodging, and washing.

WETHERBY RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT—Medical Officer of Health: £120 per annum. Applications to James Coates, Esq., Wetherby.

WHARFEDALE RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT—Two Medical Officers of Health: £50 per annum each. Applications to C. J. Newstead, Esq., Otley.

WISBECH RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT—Medical Officer of Health: £160 per annum.

WITHAM RURAL SANITARY DISTRICT—Medical Officer of Health: £150 per annum. Applications to J. Howell Blood, Esq., Witham.

WOLWICH UNION—Medical Officer to the Workhouse.

WORCESTER AMALGAMATED FRIENDLY SOCIETIES MEDICAL ASSOCIATION—Medical Officer: £170 per annum, and residence. Applications to C. J. Richards, Esq., 5, Lansdowne Villas, Lansdowne Road, Worcester.

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.

BIRTHS.

SMITH.—On March 16th, at 18, William Street, Regent's Park, the wife of *Walter Smith, L.R.C.P.Ed., of a son.

TERRY.—On March 14th, at Newport Pagnell, the wife of *Charles Terry, Esq., Surgeon, of a daughter.

DEATHS.

BUDD, John Wreford, M.D., late Fellow of Pembroke College, Cambridge, George Street, Devonport, on March 11th, aged 69.

MUNRO, A. D. N., M.D., at Weston House, Cupar, Fife, on March 15th.

AT the annual meeting of governors of the South Staffordshire General Hospital, the hospital was renamed the "Wolverhampton and Staffordshire General Hospital."

BEQUEST.—Under the will of Mrs. Robinson, of Elterwater Hall, Ambleside, the residue of her personal estate, probably amounting to £200, has been bequeathed to the Devonshire Hospital and Buxton Bath Charity.

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.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—West London, 3 P.M.—National Orthopaedic, 2 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.—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.—Royal Free, 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

TUESDAY.—Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Vandyke Carter, "On the Pathology of Leprosy"; Mr. Barwell, "Case of Amputation at the Hip."

FRIDAY.—Clinical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Mr. Christopher Heath, "A Case of Recto-vesical Fistula in the Female treated successfully by Operation"; Dr. Ogle, "A Case of Acute Rheumatism, with Pericarditis and Extensive Effusion"; Dr. Headlam Greenhow, "Case of Muscular Tumours and Phlebitis, with Plugging of Veins of both Legs, in a patient the subject of Constitutional Syphilis."

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.

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.

IN reply to several correspondents, we have to regret our inability to answer questions by private letter.

DR. FOSTER (Birmingham).—Many thanks for the documents.

DR. THOMPSON DICKSON.—There would, we fear, be little probability of meeting our correspondent's wish for some time to come.

DR. TUKE (Cupar).—Many thanks. Of course, only really good matter is desired; and we are greatly obliged for the trouble taken in removing away the chaff.

MR. HODGSON (Brighton).—Many thanks.

COUNTER-PRACTICE AND COUNTER CONFERENCES.

MR. SANDFORD writes: You say in your article of the 15th instant, in remarking on my letter published in your JOURNAL of the same day, "Mr. Sandford...seeks to maintain his position by slightly shifting it." I think that, instead of shifting my position, I caused you to shift yours. You inferred in your former article that the "listening to the description of bodily ailments over our shop-counters" must naturally be for the purposes of "counter-practice"; and when I, for myself, utterly repudiated such practice and told you why I was sometimes compelled so to listen to you, "with wondrous force of strong imagination," scented a new evil to arise from "the mysteries of a Piccadilly chemist's shop"—pecuniary mischief to one physician whom I might happen to prefer to another! I thank you for warning me of the danger of injuring my neighbour in which I stand; but your suggestion that what is done by me in the capacity of "Medical Directory" "should be done a little more in the daylight," is an insinuation of conduct which I defy you or any physician in London to substantiate against me. Although the trade of a chemist is only collaterally connected with the profession of a physician, I, as a member of that trade, have always had too high a respect for the head of the family and my own position to be tempted into slimy paths in which a man need sun daylight.

* * Our correspondent should blame himself, not us, if there be any cause for the irritation which the ill-bred wording of this letter betrays. The information, both as to counter-practice and as to the prevalence of counter-conferences, was derived wholly from his letters, and the passages were quoted. We had throughout a strong suspicion that Mr. Sandford's practice was better than his preaching; and his indignation at the insinuation that the two might coincide is no doubt real. In that case, it was his argument which was founded on a fictitious basis. Obviously, however, we could not assume that Mr. Sandford was otherwise than earnest in his facts as well as in his opinions. His own sufferings on this occasion may perhaps teach him to show more justice and compassion, as well as "gallantry" to the weaker sex on another.

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.

MR. WALKER (Norwich).—The question has been referred to Mr. Benson Baker, who is experienced in such matters.

"THE MEDICAL LIST."

SIR.—Some time since, I noticed that the subscriptions to this work were to be returned. I should like to know if any subscriber has received his six shillings back, because I have not. I believe the editor or proprietor is M.D., a Member of the London College of Physicians. I am, etc.,

ONE TRULY RURAL.

DR. J. O. BROOKHOUSE (Nottingham).—The paper shall appear in an early number.

PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNTER-CONFERENCE.

A CASE of alleged kleptomania was recently tried at Huddersfield. The principal witness was a Mr. Jones, a chemist and druggist, apparently given to "counter-conferences", who stated that he had treated the prisoner for an affection of the head, having supplied him with medicine many times; and he thought it extremely likely that a man—say the prisoner—might have committed an offence of the nature described without actually knowing at the time he did it that he was doing wrong. But he admitted, in reply to the magistrates, that during the whole of his experience of thirty years he had not known such a case. The magistrates, after considering the case very carefully, came to the conclusion that the evidence of Mr. Jones was not sufficiently strong to show that the prisoner committed the act in a fit of kleptomania; and they therefore sentenced him to twenty-one days' imprisonment.

L.R.C.P.LOND.—There is no membership of the College of Physicians in Ireland. The licentiate of that College is the equivalent of the member of the Colleges of London or Edinburgh.

CHEAP AND READY VAPOUR-BATHS.

A RETIRED army medical officer will find that very cheap and effective vapour-baths can be procured from most instrument-makers on the model of the Malvern Bath. • Hawksley and Blaise and Co. have specially convenient forms. For cheap and readily improvised vapour-baths for the very poor, a red-hot brick with a little water sprinkled on it, or placed on it in a shallow pannikin, is the simplest. Perhaps, however, some of our readers can suggest, to an army medical officer cheap and ready ways of constructing a vapour-bath.

PRIZE MEDAL OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE HASTINGS GOLD MEDAL, value Twenty Guineas, is offered annually by the British Medical Association as a Prize for an Essay on some subject connected with Medical Science. The subject selected for competition for 1873 is, "On the Pathology and Treatment of Ovarian Diseases," and the award will be made at the Annual Meeting of the Association in that year. Essays must not be in the handwriting of the author. Each essay, which must not exceed in length twenty-four pages of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, must be sent, under cover, with a sealed envelope bearing the motto of the essay and the name and address of the author, to the General Secretary of the Association, 37, Great Queen Street, on or before the 1st of May, 1873. The successful essay will be the property of the Association, and will be published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

WE are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news, reports, and other matters of medical interest:—The Liverpool Weekly Albion, March 15th; The Manchester Guardian, March 19th; The Aberdeen Daily Free Press, March 15th; The Bath Express, March 15th; The Birmingham Daily Post, March 17th; The Constitution, or Cork Advertiser, March 14th; The Newcastle Daily Journal; The Eastern Morning News and Hull Advertiser; The North of England Advertiser; The Bedfordshire Times; etc.

COMMUNICATIONS, LETTERS, &c., have been received from:—

Dr. George Johnson, London; Dr. R. Liveing, London; Dr. Smart, Penge; The Secretary of the Clinical Society; Mr. J. W. Langmore, London; Dr. C. Handfield Jones, London; Mr. A. B. R. Myers, London; Dr. Tuckwell, Oxford; Dr. J. Crichton Browne, Wakefield; Dr. Lauchlan Aitken, Rome; Mr. Davy, London; The Registrar-General of England; The Secretary of Apothecaries' Hall; The Registrar-General of Ireland; Mr. Wanklyn, London; The Registrar of the Medical Society of London; Dr. John Ford Anderson, London; The Secretary of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society; Dr. J. H. Aveling, London; Our Dublin Correspondent; Dr. Graily Hewitt, London; The Secretary of the Devonshire Hospital, Buxton; Dr. Harris, Redruth; Mr. A. Godfrid, London; Mr. Wickham Barnes, London; Dr. Skinner, Liverpool; Dr. Balthazar Foster, Birmingham; Mr. Mac Cormac, London; Dr. Wilson Fox, London; Mr. J. S. Turner, London; Dr. Moxon, London; Mr. Adams, Bungay; Dr. Finlay, Helensburgh; Mr. V. Jackson, Wolverhampton; Dr. Russell, Glasgow; Our Paris Correspondent; Mr. Haviland, London; Mr. Sims, Cheshunt; Mr. Walter Smith, London; Mr. Riley, Salford; Mr. Cowell, London; Our Birmingham Correspondent; Mr. Collier, Ripon; Our Glasgow Correspondent; Mr. Poole, London; Dr. Cayley, London; Mr. Clover, London; Dr. Glascott, Manchester; Mr. E. T. Payne, London; Dr. T. H. Redwood, Rhymney; Mr. Musgrave, Cockermouth; Dr. F. J. Brown, Rochester; Dr. Batty Tuke, Cupar, Fife; Dr. Grimshaw, Dublin; Dr. D. R. Haldane, Edinburgh; Dr. Thompson Dickson, London; Mr. F. S. Moger, Carshalton; Dr. J. W. Moore, Dublin; Mr. R. B. Cuffe, London; Mr. A. W. Stocks, Salford; Mr. John Starling, Kensington; Dr. P. J. Molony, Waterbeach; Dr. Franklin Parsons, Beckington; Mr. Hickinbotham, Birmingham; Dr. A. Meadows, London; Mr. Cheshire, Birmingham; Mr. D. Dalrymple, M.P., London; Dr. Hinds, Birmingham; Dr. Seguin, New York; Mr. O. Wood, Cupar Fife; Dr. H. L. Snow, Shrewsbury; Mr. Manley, West Bromwich; Dr. Marshall, Clifton; etc.