

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

NOTICE is hereby given, that, in accordance with Article 13 of Association, an Extraordinary General Meeting of Members of the British Medical Association will be held at the Queen's Hotel, Birmingham, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of May next, at three o'clock in the afternoon : 1. For the purpose of choosing a President-Elect in the place of the late Sir John Cordy Burrows, Knt. ; 2. To consider the desirability of holding the annual meeting of August next at Sheffield instead of at Brighton, and for transacting all other necessary business relating thereto.

By order of the Committee of Council,

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

36, Great Queen Street, London, April 13th, 1876.

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL: NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Committee of Council will be held at the Queen's Hotel, Birmingham, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of May next, immediately on conclusion of the Extraordinary General Meeting of members.

FRANCIS FOWKE,
General Secretary.

36, Great Queen Street, London, April 20th, 1876.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST KENT DISTRICT MEETINGS.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the County Hospital, Canterbury, on Thursday, May 11th, 1876, at 3 o'clock ; FRANK WACHER, Esq., of Canterbury, in the Chair.

Dinner will be provided at the Fleur-de-lis Hotel at 5 o'clock precisely. Charge, 6s. 6d., exclusive of wine.

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.

EDWARD WHITFIELD THURSTON, *Honorary Secretary.*

Ashford, April 23rd, 1876.

THAMES VALLEY BRANCH.

A MEETING of the above Branch will be held at The Dog and Fox Hotel, Wimbledon, on Wednesday, May 17th, at 5 o'clock.

Dr. W. H. Broadbent has kindly promised to read a paper on "Syphilitic Affections of the Brain". It is also proposed at this meeting to inaugurate a series of Discussions on the Treatment of Disease ; and each member is particularly requested to communicate the results of his own experience. The subject of the first discussion will be "The Treatment of Inflammation".

At 7 o'clock there will be a dinner at the above hotel. Charge, 7s. 6d. each, exclusive of wine.

It is requested that those intending to be present at the dinner will be kind enough to communicate with the Secretary on or before May 13th.

F. P. ATKINSON, M.D., *Honorary Secretary.*

Surbiton Road, Kingston, April 26th, 1876.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.

THE spring meeting of this Branch will be held at the New Inn, Pontypridd, on Thursday, May 18th, 1876. Further particulars in circulars.

Gentlemen desirous of reading papers, etc., are requested to signify their intention to one of the Secretaries by the end of April.

ANDREW DAVIES, }
ALFRED SHEEN, M.D., } *Honorary Secretaries.*

April 11th, 1876.

MIDLAND BRANCH.

THE spring meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Infirmary, Derby, on Saturday evening, May 20th, at 7 P.M.

Gentlemen who propose to read papers will be good enough to communicate with

F. W. WRIGHT, *Honorary Secretary.*

Derby, April 25th, 1876.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL.

At a meeting of the Committee of Council, held at the office of the Association, 36, Great Queen Street, London, on Thursday, April 13th, 1876. Present : Dr. Falconer, President of the Council, in the Chair ; Mr. Husband (Treasurer), Mr. Alfred Baker, Mr. J. Wright Baker, Mr. E. C. Board, Mr. Callender, F.R.S., Dr. A. Carpenter, Dr. Chadwick, Dr. B. Chevallier, Dr. R. Farquharson, Dr. B. Foster, Mr. R. Harrison, Mr. G. F. Hodgson, Mr. J. R. Humphreys, Mr. F. E. Manby, Dr. Morris, Mr. R. H. B. Nicholson, Dr. C. Parsons, Dr. W. Procter, Dr. Quain, F.R.S., Dr. Shettle, Mr. T. Heckstall Smith, Dr. T. Underhill, Dr. W. F. Wade, Dr. Edward Waters, and Dr. E. Wilkinson.

Read letters of apology for non-attendance from Dr. Matthews Duncan, Dr. Eyton Jones, Dr. Sibson, F.R.S., Dr. Waters (Liverpool), and Mr. Wheelhouse.

Resolved : That referring to a letter of Dr. Dyce Brown, complaining of the refusal of the General Secretary and Manager to insert in the JOURNAL a certain advertisement, the action taken by the General Secretary be approved.

Resolved : That the 127 gentlemen whose names appear in the circular convening the meeting be, and they are hereby, elected members of the British Medical Association.

Resolved : That the By-Laws be approved, and the Glasgow and West of Scotland Branch be, and it is hereby recognised as, a Branch of the British Medical Association.

Resolved : That the Committee of Council of the British Medical Association desire to offer their cordial congratulations to their fellow members of Glasgow and district, upon the successful formation of a Branch, and express their conviction that it will be the means of increasing the friendly intercourse of English and Scotch members of the British Medical Association, and co-operation in advancing the interests of the medical profession. The thanks of the Association are due to Dr. Joseph Coats and others, for their labours in the formation of the Branch.

Read Report and proposed By-Laws of the formation of one Branch, in place of the two Shropshire Branches ; viz., the Shropshire Ethical and the Shropshire Scientific, which have been dissolved.

Resolved : That the Branch be recognised as a Branch of the British Medical Association, and the By-Laws approved.

Resolved : That the members in Shropshire and Mid-Wales Districts be congratulated on their successful endeavours to obtain an united Branch, and the Committee of Council trusts that it will be the means of extending the influence of the Association in those districts.

Mr. Favell, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Knight attended from Sheffield, and offered a cordial invitation, signed by ninety-eight of the profession, to the Association to visit that town in August next.

Resolved : That the best thanks of the Committee of Council be given to Mr. Favell, Mr. Jackson, and Mr. Knight, for their attendance this day, and for their very cordial and unanimous invitation.

Read letter from Dr. Taaffe, reporting the death of Sir Cordy Burrows, the President-elect.

Read resolution of the Council of the South-Eastern Branch.

"That, in consequence of the lamented decease of the President-elect, Sir Cordy Burrows, and in respect to his memory, and further, in deference to the generally expressed feeling of the profession in Brighton, the Council of this Branch would suggest to the Committee of Council that it is inexpedient in the interests of the Association to hold the approaching Annual meeting in Brighton, or in the South-Eastern Branch."

Resolved : That the lamented decease of the President-Elect so increases the difficulty of insuring a successful meeting at Brighton, it be recommended to a special general meeting that the meeting should be held at Sheffield.

Resolved : That, in accordance with the Articles of Association, an extraordinary general meeting of members be hereby convened, to be held at the Queen's Hotel, Birmingham, on the 2nd day of May next, at three o'clock in the afternoon. 1. To elect a President-Elect in the place of the late Sir Cordy Burrows. 2. To consider the desirability of holding the next annual meeting at Sheffield instead of Brighton, and for transacting all other necessary business relating thereto ; and that notice to this effect be given in the JOURNAL.

Resolved : That the financial statement for the year 1875 be approved, adopted, and published in the JOURNAL.

Resolved : That this Committee desire to assure the family of the late Sir Cordy Burrows of its sincere sympathy with them on their irreparable loss.

Resolved : That Dr. Chadwick and Dr. Stewart be appointed members of the Scientific Grants Committee.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1875.

Summary of Receipts and Payments for the Twelve Months ending
December 31st, 1875.

Dr.] RECEIPTS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Cash in hand on 1st January, 1875, viz.:			
At Messrs. Stuckeys, Bath ..	..	2889 4 7	
At Messrs. Roberts, London ..	..	0 18 3	
With General Secretary ..	..	24 4 4	2914 7 2
Subscriptions ..	..	6577 2 5	
Advertisements ..	..	3040 16 11	
Sundry Sales of Journal ..	..	329 17 6	
Interest ..	..	16 19 3	
		9964 16 1	
Balances on Scientific Grants returned ..	..	65 2 2	
Grant given by Dr. Stewart ..	..	400 0 0	
Cheques unpresented ..	..	8 2 0	
		£13,352 7 5	
Cr.] BY PAYMENTS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Editor ..	..	475 0 0	
Sub-Editor ..	..	100 0 0	
Printer, for Journal ..	..	5803 7 3	
Contributors ..	..	971 2 0	
Engraving and Lithography ..	..	47 16 0	
Reporting ..	..	101 12 0	
Sundry Journal Expenses ..	..	82 10 6	
Scientific Grants—1874, 1875 ..	..	145 0 0	
Ditto ditto 1875, 1876 ..	..	108 0 0	
Committee's Expenses, Medical Officers' Conference ..	..	2 7 6	
Ditto, Parliamentary Bills Committee ..	..	8 15 0	
Joint Committee on State Medicine ..	..	15 0 0	
Legal Expenses ..	..	456 3 7	
Auditor's Fee ..	..	42 0 0	
General Secretary ..	..	425 0 0	
Salaries and Wages ..	..	390 11 9	
Rent of Office ..	..	85 0 0	
Furniture for Committee Room, Office Fittings, etc. ..	..	112 8 7	
Postage ..	..	187 0 4	
Office Expenses ..	..	172 5 10	
Miscellaneous Printing ..	..	445 12 3	
Coals and Gas ..	..	7 13 2	
Bank Charges and Cheque Book ..	..	5 6 3	
Branch Secretary ..	..	1 2 10	
		10,190 15 3	
Amount transferred to separate Fund, Stewart Grant ..	..	400 0 0	
Cash in hand:			
At London and Westminster Bank:			
On Deposit Account ..	..	1504 0 1	
On Current Account ..	..	1222 7 3	
		2726 7 4	
With General Secretary ..	..	35 4 10	2761 12 2
		£13,352 7 5	

Balance Sheet, 31st December, 1875.

Dr.] LIABILITIES.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Editor ..	..	125 0 0	
Sub Editor ..	..	25 0 0	
Printer, for Journal ..	..	932 8 10	
Contributions ..	..	279 14 6	
Cheques unpresented ..	..	8 2 0	
Engraving ..	..	6 10 6	
Grant from Mr. Samuel Wood, Shrewsbury ..	..	25 0 0	
Scientific Grants ..	..	192 0 0	
General Secretary ..	..	112 10 0	
Office Expenses ..	..	9 6 7	
Rent ..	..	21 5 0	
Office Furniture ..	..	6 0 0	
Miscellaneous Printing ..	..	65 18 0	
Subscriptions paid in advance ..	..	202 14 8	
Due on Advertisements ..	..	15 15 6	
		2027 5 7	
Balance on 1st January, 1875 ..	..	3053 0 11	
Profit for the Year ending 31st December, 1875 ..	..	124 14 8	
Total of excess of Assets over Liabilities ..	..	3177 15 7	
		£5205 1 2	

Cr.] ASSETS.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Subscriptions ..	..	966 4 4	
Advertisements ..	..	1309 1 4	
Sundry Sales of Journal ..	..	43 3 4	
Furniture ..	..	125 0 0	
Cash in hand on 31st December, viz.:			
At London and Westminster Bank:			
On Deposit Account ..	..	1504 0 1	
On Current Account ..	..	1222 7 3	
		2726 7 4	
With General Secretary ..	..	35 4 10	2761 12 2
		£5205 1 2	

Profit and Loss Account for the Twelve Months ending 31st Dec., 1875.

Dr.]		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Editor ..	..	500 0 0	
Sub-Editor ..	..	100 0 0	
Printer, for Journal ..	..	5633 6 8	
Contributors ..	..	1001 1 7	
Engraving ..	..	40 11 6	
Reporting ..	..	97 8 0	
Sundry Journal Expenses:			
Editor's Postage ..	..	18 4 0	
Newspapers ..	..	16 14 4	
Parliamentary Papers ..	..	5 5 5	
Telegrams ..	..	7 4 6	
Editor's Boy ..	..	28 1 10	
Cleaning Rooms, and Sundries ..	..	7 0 5	82 10 6
Scientific Grants ..	..	300 0 0	
Committee Expenses ..	..	15 0 0	
Legal Expenses ..	..	285 3 7	
Auditors ..	..	42 0 0	
General Secretary ..	..	450 0 0	
Salaries and Wages of four Clerks and Boy ..	..	390 11 9	
Rent of Offices and Committee Rooms ..	..	85 0 0	
Furniture for Committee Room, Office Fittings, etc. ..	..	62 7 3	
Postage ..	..	187 0 4	
Office Expenses:			
Travelling Expenses of Secretary ..	..	16 12 6	
Carriage on Parcels ..	..	3 3 1	
Minute Books, Paper, Pens, Ink, etc. ..	..	75 12 6	
Telegrams ..	..	4 8 3	
Cleaning Offices ..	..	16 10 10	
Hire of Committee Rooms ..	..	1 1 3	
Assistance—copying, addressing, etc. ..	..	38 16 5	
Travelling Expenses of Clerk ..	..	7 0 0	
Journals bought ..	..	0 19 10	
Unpaid and Registered Letters ..	..	3 9 9	
Sundries ..	..	12 18 0	181 12 5
Miscellaneous Printing:			
Stationery, paper, envelopes, Association, and JOURNAL ..	..	32 6 9	
Circulars and printing in connection with subscriptions ..	..	19 11 6	
Association printing, forms of application, By-Laws, circulars, Council, and Minutes of Committee of Council, Sub-Committees, Annual Report, etc. ..	..	90 0 0	
Circulars and printing in connection with Advertisements ..	..	42 4 4	
JOURNAL and Printing in connection with Editor's department ..	..	34 4 3	
Pamphlets and Reprints ..	..	36 6 6	
Weekly Address Labels for JOURNAL ..	..	154 1 9	
Printing in connection with Annual Meeting ..	..	10 4 0	
Ditto, with Resolution of the Admission of Female Members ..	..	17 13 0	436 12 1
Coals and Gas ..	..	7 13 2	
Branch Charges ..	..	5 6 3	
Branch Secretary ..	..	1 2 10	
Losses on Subscriptions ..	..	66 2 9	
*Discounts and Losses on Advertisements ..	..	912 8 5	
Profit for the year ..	..	124 14 8	
		£11,007 13 9	

Stewart Grant, 31st December, 1875.

TRUSTEES—W. D. Husband, Esq. (Treasurer), Dr. A. P. Stewart, and T. B. Curling, Esq.

Dr.]		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
To Cash at London and Westminster Bank ..	..	400 0 0	
Interest ..	..	1 2 7	
		£401 2 7	
Cr.]		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
By Balance carried forward ..	..	401 2 7	
		£401 2 7	

W. D. HUSBAND, Treasurer, April 15th, 1876.

We have examined the above accounts for the year 1875, with the books and vouchers of the Association, and find the same to be correct.

PRICE, WATERHOUSE, & Co., 13, Gresham Street, E.C.,
March 23rd, 1876.

* The "losses on advertisements", amounting to between £600 and £700, are this year reported much larger than usual, as the accounts due for advertisements, which had been accumulating for years (principally because before being registered the Association could not legally sue), have been carefully investigated, and those not recoverable written off. None other than debts likely to be recovered are inserted as assets in this Financial Statement.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

A MEETING of the above Branch will be held at Moffat, on Friday, May 5th, 1876.

Gentlemen intending to read papers are requested to give early notice thereof to one or other of the Secretaries.

STEWART LOCKIE, } *Honorary Secretaries.*
JOHN SMITH, }

MIDLAND BRANCH.

THE general annual meeting of this Branch will take place on June 22nd, at the General Hospital, Nottingham; President, A. H. DOLMAN, Esq., M.R.C.S., etc.; President-elect, JOSEPH WHITE, F.R.C.S. Edin.

Gentlemen intending to read papers are requested to communicate with L. W. MARSHALL, M.D., *Hon. Local Secretary.*
General Hospital, Nottingham, April 18th, 1876.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

THE sixth ordinary meeting of the session 1875-76 was held on March 9th, at the Midland Institute, Birmingham. Present: Dr. WADE, President, in the chair, and forty-seven members and visitors.

New Member.—Mr. G. V. Blake (Birmingham) was elected a member of the Branch.

Place of Meeting.—Dr. FOSTER announced that arrangements had been made with the Council of Queen's College for holding the meetings of the Branch for the future in Queen's College.

Communications were made by Dr. John Thomson, Dr. B. Foster, Mr. E. V. Whitby, Dr. Savage, and Mr. Bartleet.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SUSSEX DISTRICT MEETING.

THE first meeting of the above district for the present year was held at the Royal Sussex Hotel, Tunbridge Wells, on Friday, March 24th; Mr. W. WALLIS of Hartfield in the chair. Twenty-three members were present, and one visitor.

Communications.—The following communications were made.

1. Mr. W. WALLIS: Case of Uterine Tumour complicated with Pregnancy and Placenta Prævia.
2. Mr. W. WALLIS: Case of Retroversion of the Uterus.
3. Dr. WARDELL: On Thoracentesis.
4. Dr. WARDELL also showed specimens of—*a.* Chronic Ulcer of the Stomach; *b.* Impacted Gall-Stone in the Ileum.
5. Mr. HOBGSON made some introductory remarks on the Pathology of Croup and Diphtheria. The discussion will be renewed at the next meeting; there being insufficient time to do the subject justice.
6. Messrs. MAYER and MELTZER exhibited a collection of Electrical Apparatus and recent Surgical Instruments.

The Dinner took place at the Sussex; Mr. W. Wallis in the chair. Twenty-two sat down.

The Next Meeting is to be held at Hastings at the end of May; Mr. J. T. Penhall in the chair.

NORTH WALES BRANCH: INTERMEDIATE MEETING.

THE intermediate meeting of this Branch was held at the Crown Hotel, Denbigh, on Tuesday, March 28th, at twelve o'clock. In the absence of the President, D. KENT JONES, Esq., Dr. TURNOUR of Denbigh occupied the chair.

Letters of regret were read from the President, T. T. Griffith, Esq. (Wrexham), Dr. Richards (Bala), Dr. Roberts (Chester), the Honorary Secretary, and others who were unable to attend. Mr. R. W. J. Evans (Wrexham) acted as Secretary *pro tem*.

New Members.—The following new members were elected:—Dr. D. T. Evans, House-Surgeon Denbigh Infirmary; Mr. George F. Miles, Assistant Surgeon Denbigh Lunatic Asylum; Mr. H. L. Davies, Holywell; Dr. Evans, Mold; Mr. W. William, Bangor Infirmary.

The Report of the Committee on the conduct of the Surgeons appointed to the Bethesda and Llanberris Slate Quarries Hospital was brought forward and discussed.

Prescribing by Druggists.—Dr. JONES of Ruabon drew attention to the illegal prescribing of druggists; and it was resolved: "That a prosecution fund be formed; and that the Branch seek to ally itself with the London Medical Defence Association."

Communications.—The following communications were read.

1. Dr. TURNOUR of Denbigh exhibited the Head of the Femur of a child, which he had removed for disease.
2. Dr. HUGHES of Denbigh exhibited a portion of a Pelvis, with the Head and Shaft of the Femur, which, being dislocated, he had failed to reduce, in consequence of the epiphysis occupying the acetabulum, the rim of which was found broken. The patient was twenty years of age.
3. Dr. JENKINS described a case of Refracture of the Femur. A discussion on this took place, in which Dr. Lloyd (Rhyl) and Dr. Williams (Holywell) took part.
4. Dr. EVANS of Denbigh read a paper on a Case of Hydrophobia, which died in the Infirmary.
5. Dr. LLOYD ROBERTS exhibited the Sphygmograph, with cases.
6. Dr. TURNOUR showed Allingham's Improved Speculum, etc.
7. Dr. LLOYD ROBERTS read a paper on Medical Titles, which elicited much discussion.

Dinner.—The members present, together with a few friends, adjourned to a sumptuous dinner, provided by the liberality of Drs. Turnour and Hughes of Denbigh, resulting in the enjoyment of a very pleasant evening and the most friendly associations. This being the only Medical Association in North Wales, these meetings have done more than aught else to produce among the members of the profession feelings of respect and goodwill towards each other.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

THE fifth ordinary meeting of the Session was held at the York House, Bath, on Thursday evening, April 13th: W. M. CLARKE, President, in the Chair. There were also present twenty-eight members and one visitor.

New Member.—Mr. Arthur W. Prichard of Clifton was elected a member of the Branch and of the Association.

Papers.—The following papers were read.

1. Mr. F. MASON: A Case of Cyst in the Anterior Chamber of the Eye, with report of the Microscopical Examination; which elicited remarks from Messrs. Bartrum and Leonard.
2. Dr. MARKHAM SKERRITT: A Case of Empyema treated by Lister's Antiseptic Method; which led to an interesting discussion, in which the President, Dr. Fyffe, Mr. Collins, Dr. Goodridge, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Steele, and Dr. Swayne, took part.
3. Mr. C. STEELE opened the question: "Does the removal of Malignant Tumours dispose to recurrence?" He advocated surgical interference in well selected cases; in which opinion he was supported by Dr. Skerritt and Mr. Dobson, but the President differed in opinion.

CORRESPONDENCE.**MR. BRANWELL ON THE BRIGHTON PROCEEDINGS.**

SIR,—In replying to my letter in the JOURNAL of the 8th instant, Mr. Branwell has so misrepresented its object and its nature, that it is necessary for me to repeat that it was only written with a view to enter my protest against the manner in which the South-Eastern Branch and its Council had been drawn into the dispute with regard to the meeting proposed to have been held in Brighton in August next.

I totally deny that I made any charges against the "Brighton men"; the reasons that I stated as influencing some in their opposition have been definitely given by Brighton men themselves; and I do not think it can be denied that both had their effect.

Mr. Branwell's statement, that "these assertions have been constantly denied and repudiated at the various debates of the Branch Council, at which Dr. Lanchester has assisted", is simply inaccurate and calculated to mislead. In the first place, there have been altogether but two meetings of the Branch Council at which this subject has been discussed, and at which I have been present; and next, of these, only one has been held since the difficulty with regard to the readership of addresses has occurred; and, so far from this being generally denied and repudiated as a ground of offence, it was distinctly given by more than one speaker as the reason of his support to the resolution of which I complain.

I am ready to confess that I had not forgotten to have heard it stated by one speaker, that all opposition had really sprung from a belief in the existence of grave faults in the organisation, management, and policy of the Association itself; nor, though a natural modesty has led him to omit mention of it, has it escaped my recollection that this speaker was Mr. Branwell himself. I know not whether it was that the vague grandeur of this view so puzzled the minds of those present,

MEDICAL NEWS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen passed their primary examinations in anatomy and physiology at a meeting of the Board of Examiners on the 24th instant; and, when eligible, will be admitted to the pass-examination.

Messrs. A. B. Calder, Wm. Richardson, C. R. Illingworth, Henry Briggs, and O. C. Shaw, students of the Edinburgh School; John T. Butterworth, Wm. H. Osborn, and Alfred Harvey, of the Birmingham School; W. H. Mason, and Clement Rhodes, of the Leeds School; H. G. Orlebar, of the Aberdeen School; Michael Oppenheim, of University College; and Wm. Rowlands, of the Liverpool School.

The following gentlemen passed on the 25th instant.

Messrs. W. W. Colborne, and G. A. George, of University College; W. C. Jones, and H. A. Smith, of the Middlesex Hospital; William Rowlands, and S. J. Rennie, of the Liverpool School; Ernest Rawson, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; W. M. Satchell, of St. George's Hospital; B. H. J. Gardiner, of the London Hospital; T. H. May, of the Westminster Hospital; G. D. Collins, of King's College; E. P. Pickersgill, of the Leeds School; W. E. Thorland, of the Bristol School; and S. J. J. Van der Poel, of the Edinburgh School.

The following gentlemen passed on the 26th instant.

Messrs. S. A. Hayman, W. Willes, T. F. Vaisey, and Herbert Blott, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; H. L. Bates, E. W. Deare, and R. A. Ross, of Guy's Hospital; A. N. Harding and T. W. Graves, of King's College; W. R. T. Hawkins, of the London Hospital; E. B. Smith, of St. George's Hospital; S. E. Duncan, of University College; Thomas Jackson, of the Middlesex Hospital; Joseph Armistead, of St. Mary's Hospital; and Harry Drinkwater, of the Newcastle and Edinburgh Schools.

The following gentlemen passed on the 27th instant.

Messrs. Charles Wood, R. W. White, W. D. Hartley, J. R. Harris, and R. J. Bryden, of Guy's Hospital; E. N. Drought, Erasmus Bush, C. A. Payne, and J. R. Hewitt, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; F. A. Cox and W. G. McLennan, of St. Mary's Hospital; C. H. Schön and W. E. Good, of University College; W. F. H. von Beverhoudt and L. H. Fuller, of King's College; John Greasley and H. L. P. Hardy, of the London Hospital; H. B. Leatham, of St. Thomas's Hospital; and E. F. Smith, of St. George's Hospital.

Forty candidates out of the one hundred examined, were rejected.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, April 13th, 1876.

Clarke, Reginald, Craven Hill, Hyde Park Colquhoun, David, 73, Upper Kennington Lane
Diggle, Charles Frederick, Todmorden, Lancashire
Foster, William, Westminster Hospital
Gascoigne, William Ellis, Spandon House, Derby
Hancock, Charles James, Bath
Harrison, Edwin, Wrexham
Head, Percy Turner James, East Grinstead
Webster, John, Market Deeping

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

Blaker, Thomas Frederick Isaacson, Guy's Hospital
Brown, Thomas Lloyd, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Cardew, George Arthur, Queen's College, Birmingham
Hornsby, George Harcourt, General Hospital, Birmingham
Newton, Richard Arthur, General Hospital, Birmingham
Shoulbred, William Andrew, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, April 20th, 1876.

Bouton, George Charles, Dinon, France
Brown, Thomas Lloyd, Brunswick Villas, Camberwell
Edmunds, Walter, Hampstead
Gillibrand, William, Standish, Lancashire
Jolly, Samuel Aird, Tue Brook, Liverpool
Scatiff, Arthur William, Clapham Common
Steele, Henry Frederick, Stoke Ferry, Norfolk
Vachell, Herbert Redwood, Cardiff, South Wales
Wade, Arthur Brendon, Ryde, Isle of Wight

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

Gayton, Francis Carter, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Tester, Richard Carr, London Hospital
Thomas, Hugh William, Queen's College, Birmingham

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN: PASS LIST.—On April 24th, the degree of M.D. was conferred on—

Burness, Alexander George, M.B., London
Connor, Louis Richard, M.B., Leicester
Fairweather, Alexander F., M.B., Pocklington, Yorkshire
Gray, John Roubel, M.B., Thirsk, Yorkshire
Hallett, Henry Arthur, M.B., Kimbolton
Henderson, Colin, M.A. Ed., L.R.C.P.E., London
Macdonald, John Davidson, M.B., Inch, Aberdeenshire
Morton, Thomas Henry, M.R.C.S., L.M., Sheffield
Muil, William, M.B., Kirby Moorside, Yorkshire
Reid, James Alexander, M.B., Sale, Victoria, New South Wales
Shives, John, M.B., Millbridge, Yorkshire

Spencer, Francis Henry, M.B., Cambridge
Sutherland, James, M.B., Manchester

At the same time, the degrees of M.B. and C.M. were conferred on upwards of forty candidates. About fifty candidates were plucked.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following vacancies are announced:—

BIRMINGHAM—Resident Assistant Workhouse Medical Officer. Salary, £150 per annum, with apartments, etc. Applications on or before May 4th.

BIRMINGHAM, QUEEN'S HOSPITAL—Two House-Surgeons. Salary, £50 per annum, with board and lodging. Applications to the Secretary on or before May 6th.

DOVER HOSPITAL—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum, with apartments, etc. Applications to the Secretary.

GUISBOROUGH UNION—Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £400 per annum. Applications on or before May 8th.

LEICESTER INFIRMARY and FEVER HOUSE—House-Surgeon. Salary, £120 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications on or before May 8th.

LONDON FEVER HOSPITAL—Two Assistant Physicians. Applications to the Secretary on or before May 9th.

MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL, W.—Physician. Applications to the Weekly Board before 12 o'clock noon on any Tuesday.—Assistant Physician. Applications on or before May 16th.

NORTHAMPTON GENERAL INFIRMARY—Dispenser. Salary, £125 per annum. Applications on or before May 8th.

STOCKWELL SMALL-POX HOSPITAL—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £350 per annum, with unfurnished apartments, etc. Applications on or before May 4th.

TIVERTON UNION—District Medical Officer. Salary, £35 per annum, and fees. Applications on or before May 1st.

UIG PARISH, Island of Lewis, Scotland—Medical Officer. Salary, £150 per annum, and fees. Applications to the Inspector of Poor, Stornoway, N.B.

WALSINGHAM UNION—Medical Officer for the Workhouse and Gunthorpe District.

WOLVERHAMPTON HOSPITAL—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, etc. Applications not later than May 13th.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Applications to the Chairman of the Medical Committee.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

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

DAVIES, Evan Parry, M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Carmarthen Infirmary, *vice* David Lloyd, M.R.C.S. Eng., deceased.

DUFFEY, George F., M.D., appointed Physician to Mercer's Hospital, Dublin.

***HARDIE, James, M.D.**, appointed Assistant Surgeon to the Manchester Royal Infirmary.

MCKENZIE, George Hunter, M.B., appointed Senior Medical Assistant at the Gloucester County Asylum, *vice* J. A. Philip, M.B.

OSBORNE, John Henry, Jun., M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed Assistant Resident Medical Officer to the Nottingham Dispensary.

PHILIP, J. A., M.B., appointed Superintendent of the Lincoln Lunatic Hospital, *vice* F. D. Walsh, L.R.C.S. Ed., resigned.

SANDER, W. H. F., M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed Junior Resident Medical Officer to the Carlisle Dispensary, *vice* W. A. Ross, L.R.C.P. Ed., resigned.

SWABY SMITH, C., M.R.C.P.E., M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed an Honorary Surgeon to the Bootle Borough Hospital.

***THOMSON, Wm. A., L.K.Q.C.P.I.**, appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Kent County Lunatic Asylum at Chartham, near Canterbury.

WALDING, James Leonard, M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed Resident House-Surgeon to the Whitehaven and West Cumberland Infirmary and Fever Hospital, *vice* W. Bourke, M.B.

WATTERS, G. T. M., M.B., appointed House-Surgeon to the General Hospital, Stroud.

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.

BIRTH.

THOMPSON.—On April 13th, the wife of *J. Thompson, L.R.C.P. Ed., of 70, Oakley Square, Camden Town, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

FAIRBANK—SYMPSON.—On April 20th, at St. Mary Magdalene's, Lincoln, by the Rev. H. W. Hutton, Rector and Minor Canon of the Cathedral, T. Royston Fairbank, M.D., of Doncaster, to Dora, second daughter of the late T. C. Symson, Surgeon, of Lincoln, and sister to T. Symson, F.R.C.S. No cards.

MIGGINS—POLLIOT.—On April 20th, Thomas Miggins, Surgeon, Beswick, Manchester, to Mary, eldest daughter of Joseph Pollitt, Esq., Hampson Mills, near Bury, Lancashire.

DEATHS.

CORMACK.—On April 21st, at Hyères, France, aged 27, John Rose Baillie, son of *Sir John Rose Cormack, M.D., of Paris.

MARTYN.—On April 23rd, at Hastings, Katharine Spencer, wife of *S. Martyn, M.D., of Clifton.

***SOUTHAM, George, F.R.C.S.**, at his residence, Oakfield, Pendleton, Manchester, in his 61st year, on April 24th.

BEQUEST.—Miss Anne Harrison, late of Belfast, has bequeathed the sum of £250 for the benefit of the Belfast General Hospital.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH.—At a meeting of the Court, held on April 4th, Mr. John Edward Scowcroft of Bolton was admitted a Fellow of the College.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAYMetropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.

TUESDAYGuy'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.—Hospital for Women, 2 P.M.—St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department), 3 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.—Guy's, 1.30 P.M.

SATURDAYSt. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—East London Hospital for Children, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 9.30 A.M. and 1.30 P.M.—Royal Free, 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.—Medical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Annual Oration.

TUESDAY.—Pathological Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Greenfield: Double Mitral Valve. Dr. Greenfield: Multiple Ulcers of Stomach. Dr. Peacock: Aneurism of Aorta opening into Bronchus. Dr. Peacock: Malformed Heart. Dr. Moxon: Acute Aortitis causing Angina Pectoris. Dr. Duckworth: Malformed Heart. Dr. Hilton Fagge: Specimens of Lardaceous Disease. Dr. Hilton Fagge: Dissecting Varix of Femoral Vein. Dr. Hilton Fagge: Pyæmic Abscess in Lung, cured. Dr. Crisp: Pneumonia in Birds. Dr. Crisp: Enlarged Tail-Glands in Common Fowl. Dr. Squire: Larynx from Croup. Mr. Nettleship: Sarcoma of Sclerotic. Dr. Yeo: Disease of Aorta. Mr. Butlin: Tumour of Scalp growing in Sebaceous Cyst. Mr. Teevan: Organs after Lithotripsy.

WEDNESDAY.—Obstetrical Society of London, 8 P.M. Dr. Cooper Rose, "A Contribution to the Statistics of Midwifery in General Practice"; Dr. Gervin, "Case of Puerperal Septicæmia"; Dr. Wiltshire, "Notes of a Case of Puerperal Septicæmia and Phlegmasia Dolens—Recovery"; Dr. Hugh Miller, "Case of Ovarian Dermoid Cyst"; and other communications.—Royal Microscopical Society, 8 P.M. Dr. J. J. Woodward, "On the Markings of the Body-scale of the English Gnat and the American Mosquito".

THURSDAY.—Harveian Society of London, 7.15 P.M.: Special Meeting of Council. 8 P.M.: Mr. W. F. Teevan, "The Treatment of Gleet".—Linnean Society (Burlington House), 8 P.M. Dr. Cobbold, "Description of new and rare Parasites found by Dr. John Anderson in the Dolphins of the Ganges".

LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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

AUTHORS desiring reprints of their articles published in the JOURNAL, are requested to communicate beforehand with the printer, Mr. T. Richards, 37, Great Queen Street, W.C.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.—We shall be much obliged to Medical Officers of Health if they will, in forwarding their Annual and other Reports, favour us with *Duplicate Copies*.

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

WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE TO RETURN MANUSCRIPTS NOT USED.

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, 36, Great Queen Street, W.C.

AN ANTISEPTIC VAGINAL PLUG.

Dr. D. MULLEN (Tuam).—We believe that Dr. Mullen would find cotton-wool steeped in a 10 per cent. solution of boracic acid more efficient than carbolised tow, of which the odour is itself unpleasant.

PARISH NURSES.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Briscoe, I beg leave to say charity cannot be better applied than in providing parish nurses for the sick poor. By a *poor* person is meant one who, by the force of surrounding circumstances, cannot provide for himself. I am sure the hearty goodwill and co-operation of all medical men towards civil, obliging nurses, can be gladly accorded. We warmly appreciate the value of good nurses, ready and willing to obey and carry out instructions. Nurses must not be confounded with midwives. As a rule, there is much jealousy, and justly so, towards midwives; although we admit there is always need for their useful services. A parish nurse should not be a midwife. In the employment of nurses, discretion and prudence are needful on all sides; moreover, nurses should not profess or teach any sectarian differences in religion, whatever their private convictions may be. For my part, I say welcome parish nurses.—I am, sir, yours obediently,

CAVE.

CORRESPONDENTS are particularly requested by the Editor to observe that communications relating to Advertisements, changes of address, and other business matters, should be addressed to Mr. Francis Fowke, General Secretary and Manager, at the Journal Office, 36, Great Queen Street, W.C., and not to the Editor.

SAFFRON WALDEN UNION.

We have been asked to give an opinion on the subject of the matters at issue between Mr. Stear and Mr. Harley, with respect to the appointment of medical officer to the Saffron Walden Union. We are loth to do so, however. The course taken by either party in such a case must be rather a matter of feeling than of rights. The only person clearly in the wrong in the matter is the clerk; and while Mr. Harley has good reason to complain of having been misled, his right to call upon Mr. Stear to resign is open to a great deal of discussion. It is really a matter for amicable discussion, if for any at all, and it might advisably be referred to the Council of the Branch if the matter is to go any further. We may say that we have received from correspondents diametrically opposite views as to the proper course of conduct of the parties concerned, and as to their respective rights.

The General Secretary acknowledges the receipt of an Essay on Diphtheria, with the motto "Tu ne cede malis, sed contra audientior ito".

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.

The following were the questions on Surgical Anatomy and the Principles and Practice of Surgery submitted to the candidates at the written examination for the diploma of membership of the Royal College of Surgeons on April 13th, when they were required to answer four, including one of the first two, of the six questions. 1. Enumerate, in their proper relations, the various structures which would require division in excision of the astragalus. 2. What are the structures exposed to view by the removal of the entire sterno-cleido-mastoideus muscle? Mention the chief points of surgical interest associated with this region. 3. What causes may prevent union after simple fracture of the shaft of a long bone? Describe the appropriate treatment under different circumstances. 4. What may be the effects of a penetrating wound of the cornea? How would you treat its various consequences? 5. Describe the consequences of acute inflammation of cancellous tissue of bone, such as that of the os calcis, and the process of repair. 6. Describe the dislocation of the head of the femur when resting in the ischiatic notch, and enumerate the parts likely to be lacerated. State and explain the nature of the deformity attending this injury.

The following were the questions on the Principles and Practice of Medicine submitted to the candidates on the 15th instant. 1. Describe a case of typhoid fever, giving the appearances detected in the body on examination after death in the different stages of the disease; and state how you would distinguish such a case from one of typhus and of relapsing fever. 2. You are called to see a patient who has been found insensible in the street: what are the different causes on which his condition may depend? and how would you severally distinguish them. 3. What are the proportions of the chief ingredients in the following preparations of the *British Pharmacopœia*: Tinctura opii, tinctura camphoræ composita, pulvis ipecacuanhæ compositus, pulvis cretæ aromaticus cum opio, pilula ipecacuanhæ cum scillâ, pilula aloës et ferri, liquor arsenicalis, liquor morphæ hydrochloratis, vinum antimonialæ, vinum opii? and state what are the purposes for which they are employed, and the doses in which they are to be prescribed.

There were fifty-nine candidates. Dr. Sieveking, the recently elected examiner in medicine, took his seat at the oral examinations on the 18th and 19th inst.

C. W. asks for reference to the leading works and articles on Spontaneous Combustion.

TESTIMONIAL TO DR. MAURICE CORR.

THIRTY years ago, when the position and emoluments of dispensary medical officers in Ireland were miserable, Dr. Corr devoted himself, at the request of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, to the task of securing from Parliament such legal enactments as would raise their status. As the delegate of the College, and subsequently as Assistant Poor-law Commissioner, he successfully pressed on parliamentary committees and successive governments the need of a complete reorganisation of the medical charities; and, in fact, originated the reform which has raised so highly the position of dispensary physician, and quadrupled their incomes. His devotion to this work withdrew him from remunerative professional occupation. The position thus lost he was never able to regain, and he is now, at the close of a long life, in most straitened circumstances. His claims to the sympathy and assistance of his brethren was felt by the Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons to be so strong that, at the annual meeting in May 1875, it was unanimously resolved: "That it is the opinion of this College that the faithful and very important services rendered by Dr. Corr to the College and to its Fellows and Licentiates holding Poor-law medical appointments throughout Ireland are hereby recommended to the Council for favourable consideration, with the view to remunerate him for those services, and for the serious sacrifices incurred by him in his endeavours to benefit his professional brethren." To this resolution, however, the Council found that they could only give effect by appointing him to a temporary office at a small salary, in consequence of the legal obligations of their charter. The Royal Medical Benevolent Society has also contributed. A committee has been formed for the purpose of collecting from the members of the profession—especially those connected with the Poor-law service—a sum to supplement Dr. Corr's income, at present most precarious, and insufficient for giving him and his family the necessities of life, inasmuch as the sums just mentioned were at once absorbed for debts previously incurred, and the renewal of such grants cannot be ensured.

The following gentlemen have kindly agreed to act on the committee and receive subscriptions:—Dr. C. Benson, 42, Fitzwilliam Square West; Dr. Chapman, Honorary Secretary of the Irish Medical Association, 60, Pembroke Road; W. Colles, Esq., Regius Professor in Trinity College, Dublin, 21, St. Stephen's Green; Dr. Darby, Bray; Rev. Professor Haughton, T.C.D.; Dr. Hayden, Vice-President of the King and Queen's College of Physicians, 30, Harcourt Street; Dr. James Little, 24, Lower Baggot Street; Dr. O'Leary, M.P., 38, York Street; J. H. Wharton, Esq., 28, Upper Merrion Street; W. I. Wheeler, Esq., 56, Pembroke Road; Dr. Mapother, 18, Merrion Square North, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer.

INTERRUPTED COMMUNICATIONS.

M. CHEVREUL invented the other day a novel euphemism in speaking of the decease of a colleague at the Academy of Sciences: "M. Donné," he said, "has, unfortunately, interrupted his communications."

MR. CORNWALL (Swindon).—We really do not think such an article in such a publication worth notice.