

how any persons, seeing that a small portion of the profession were trying to improve its status, could object in the manner which they seemed to do; and that, although he did not speak officially, he thought that the College of Surgeons would sympathise in the suggestion that one who called himself a dental surgeon should be a surgeon first and a dentist afterwards; whilst it would ever be inclined to acquiesce in any liberal line of action which could advance the interests of the dental profession, and would always be willing to listen to any suggestions in such a direction.

Mr. W. D. Napier read a paper on the causes and conditions of the Disease of the Teeth commonly known as syphilitic. Much interest was shown in the discussion, in which Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, Mr. Coleman, Mr. F. Mason, Mr. Risdon, Dr. Billing, F.R.S., Mr. Hamilton Cartwright, Mr. Salter, and Dr. Drysdale, took part. The discussion was finally adjourned to May 24th, when, should there be time, Mr. Coleman will read a paper on the Pathology of a certain Form of Dentigerous Cyst, whilst Mr. Napier will demonstrate a new method of inducing local anaesthesia.

## ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

### SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH.

A MEETING of the Executive Council of this Branch will be held at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, on Tuesday, May 9th, at 3.15 P.M. CHARLES PARSONS, M.D., *Honorary Secretary*.  
Dover, May 1st, 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.

Notices have been received of the following communications to be read at the meeting.

1. Mr. Wacher: Notes on Two Cases of *Post Partum* Hæmorrhage treated with the Perchloride of Iron.
  2. Mr. Reid: Surgical Memoranda.
  3. Mr. Arthur Long: A Case of Supposed Dislocation of the Hip.
- Gentlemen who intend to be present at the dinner, are particularly requested to inform me on or before Tuesday, May 9th.

EDWARD WHITFIELD THURSTON, *Honorary Secretary*.  
Ashford, May 1st, 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-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST KENT DISTRICT MEETINGS.

THE next meeting is appointed to be held at the Union House, Dartford, on Friday, May 19th, at 4.30 P.M.: JAMES CHILCOT, Esq., in the Chair.

Dinner will be provided at the Bull Hotel at 6 P.M.

The following papers are promised.

1. The Medical Practice of the present time compared with that Thirty Years ago. By Dr. Armstrong.
2. A Case of Colotomy. By A. W. Nankivell, Esq., F.R.C.S.

FREDERICK J. BROWN, M.D., *Honorary Secretary*.  
Rochester, May 1st, 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, } *Honorary Secretaries*.  
ALFRED SHEEN, M.D., }

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.

### BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.

THE sixth ordinary meeting of the session will be held at the College Green Hotel, Bristol, on Thursday evening, May 25th, at half-past Seven o'clock: W. M. CLARKE, Esq., President, in the Chair.

The evening will be devoted to the discussion of the subject of Antiseptic Surgery, which will be opened by Mr. Prichard.

E. C. BOARD, *Honorary Secretary*.

7, Caledonia Place, Clifton, May 1st, 1876.

### 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.

### NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH: SPRING MEETING.

THE spring meeting was held in the library of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Infirmary on Thursday, April 27th; the President, S. E. PIPER, Esq., F.R.C.S., in the Chair. There were present thirty-seven members and five visitors.

*Specimens*.—1. Dr. BEATSON showed Weir's Galvano-Cautery Apparatus; also Professor Lister's Steam-Spray Producer for Antiseptic Dressing, and exhibited its use practically while dressing a case of compound fracture of the forearm.

2. Mr. JEAFFRESON introduced several patients, Cases of Cataract, that had been submitted to operation.

3. Dr. HEATH introduced a patient upon whom the operation of Colotomy had been successfully performed; also a patient with large Lumbar Abscess, successfully treated under the Antiseptic Dressing.

4. Dr. HEATH showed a specimen of Exostosis removed from the femur; also an Exostosis removed from the frontal bone.

5. Dr. PHILIPSON showed an example of Mitral Regurgitant Disease, with Hypertrophy of the Right Ventricle; also a specimen of Mitral Obstruction, with Hypertrophy and Dilatation of the Left Auricle.

*Papers*.—The following were read.

1. Dr. FOSS: Three Fatal Cases of Poisoning by the Roots of the *Enanthe Crocata*. Dr. Foss exhibited specimens of the Roots; also drawings of the plant.

2. Dr. HAINTHORPE: On the Hypodermic Injection of Ergotine in Puerperal Convulsions.

3. Dr. PHILIPSON: Report of a Case of Paraplegia dependent upon Softening of the Spinal Cord.

*Representation of the Medical Profession in Parliament*.—Mr. E. JEPSON had given notice of the following resolution; but, as he was prevented by illness from being present, its consideration was deferred to the autumnal meeting.

"That this Branch desires to bring under the notice of the General Council of the British Medical Association the great desirability of taking steps to obtain and to support a representative in the House of Commons who shall especially watch over the interests of the medical profession."

*Dinner*.—The members and their friends afterwards dined together at the Turk's Head Hotel; the President in the chair, and the Honorary Secretary, Dr. Philipson, in the vice-chair.

## BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION : SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING.

AN extraordinary general meeting, of which notice has been given in the JOURNAL, was held at the Queen's Hotel, Birmingham, on Tuesday, May 2nd. Dr. FALCONER, President of the Council, occupied the Chair. The following members were also present : W. D. Husband, Esq. (Treasurer), York; Alfred Baker, Esq., Birmingham; J. Wright Baker, Esq., Derby; M. Martin de Bartolomé, M.D., Sheffield; J. M. Bryan, M.D., Northampton; G. W. Callender, Esq., F.R.S., London; R. A. Davis, M.D., Lichfield; W. F. Favell, Esq., Sheffield; B. W. Foster, F.R.C.P., Birmingham; J. Garner, Esq., Birmingham; Marriott Hall, Esq., Sheffield; Reginald Harrison, Esq., Liverpool; P. Neville Hart, M.B., Norwich; Arthur Jackson, Esq., Sheffield; T. Eyton Jones, M.D., Wrexham; J. H. Keeling, M.D., Sheffield; H. J. Knight, Esq., Rotherham; D. I. McVeagh, L.K.Q.C.P., Coventry; F. E. Manby, Esq., Wolverhampton; C. Parsons, M.D., Dover; Oliver Pemberton, Esq., Birmingham; E. Rickards, M.B., Birmingham; W. Roden, M.D., Kidderminster; R. C. Shettle, M.D., Reading; J. J. Vose Solomon, Esq., Birmingham; Lawson Tait, Esq., Birmingham; James Thompson, M.B., Leamington; J. Y. Totherick, M.D., Wolverhampton; T. Underhill, M.D., West Bromwich; W. F. Wade, M.B., Birmingham; C. G. Wheelhouse, Esq., Leeds; Eason Wilkinson, M.D., Manchester.

The CHAIRMAN said that a telegram had been received from Sir Robert Christison, expressing his regret that he was unable to be present. Dr. Sibson had been summoned to Hampshire, in consequence of the severe illness of a near relative; and other members had written to apologise for absence.

## THE LATE MR. GEORGE SOUTHAM, F.R.C.S.

Mr. HUSBAND (York) said it was with the deepest feelings of regret that he rose to fulfil the melancholy duty of proposing a resolution respecting the death of the late friend of every member of the Association, Mr. Southam, in whose death the Association had sustained an almost irreparable loss. He (Mr. Husband) had had the honour and pleasure of being a member of the Association for many years, and all that long time he had been associated with the late gentleman in the Association's business, and without the slightest difference of opinion having occurred between them. The late Mr. Southam's sole aim was to place the Association in as high a position of usefulness as was possible for it to attain, and he worked consistently and firmly, in order to raise the Association to the greatest height of use to the profession and to science. For many years, Mr. Southam was an ordinary member of the Council, and, while in that position, gave such evidence of his sound judgment and of his entire wish to do his duty, that, when a President of the Council was required, all eyes were turned to him. During the three years Mr. Southam held that post, he gave undivided attention to the business of the Association, and it was with the deepest regret that the members saw Mr. Southam's illness, and with the deepest sorrow they heard of his death. It had pleased Providence to remove their late colleague from this lower sphere, and all the members of the Association would give their most cordial sympathy to those whom Mr. Southam had left behind, giving them the best wishes for their future welfare; and, when the blow of this great calamity had in some measure been lessened by time, their happiness. The speaker concluded by saying that he trusted those whom Mr. Southam had left behind would hand down his name with the same honour which had been attached to it by the action of the members' late colleague. [Hear, hear.] The resolution he proposed was as follows:—"That the British Medical Association, in general meeting assembled, desire to express their deep sympathy with the family of the late Mr. George Southam, F.R.C.S., on the great loss they have sustained, and to record their high appreciation of his character, of the commendable manner in which on all occasions he discharged the duties of President of the Council, and the unceasing interest he manifested in the welfare of the Association, which will cause him ever to be remembered with feelings of regard and respect by his colleagues and associates."

Mr. ALFRED BAKER (Birmingham) seconded the resolution, and said that no one had greater opportunities of forming an opinion of Mr. Southam's character than himself, for he had met Mr. Southam not only on the Council of this Association, but on the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, in which he was a representative of provincial surgeons and provincial surgery. Of all the members of the Association, none more than Mr. Southam entirely appreciated the objects which the Association had in view in its foundation and existence, and none felt more than he did its value in binding together the members of the profession in every

district and town, and in effacing that feeling of isolation which formerly existed between town men and provincial men. No man more than Mr. Southam understood the wants and feelings of the country professional man; and in his prudence he thought over the bearing of every resolution which was proposed or passed, and lent the weight of his support to every proposal which he thought would have the effect of consolidating the Association, or could benefit the profession in any part of the world. [Hear.] The speaker bore testimony to the wisdom Mr. Southam ever displayed, and said he must have made the greatest sacrifices to enable him to carry out the duties which his position entailed. Owing, the speaker added, no little to the good fellowship, goodness of heart, and good sense of Mr. Southam, the Association occupied the position it now held, and was guided by the excellent feeling which prevailed; and without doubt the resolution would find an echo in the heart of every member of the Association. [Hear, hear.]

The PRESIDENT then put the resolution, and it was carried unanimously.

## PLACE OF MEETING IN 1876 : PRESIDENT-ELECT.

Mr. FOWKE, the General Secretary, read the notice calling the meeting, and the resolutions which had been passed by the Committee of Council.

The CHAIRMAN said that, in laying these resolutions before the meeting, he was not going to speak about the matters which had arisen at Brighton; but one thing he thought should be mentioned, and that was, that the moment there appeared to be any difficulty in the minds of the Brighton members, those gentlemen who had been asked to be the readers of addresses—Dr. Sieveking, Mr. Wheelhouse, and Dr. Carpenter—placed their resignation in the hands of the Council. The Association would appreciate the loyalty of these gentlemen, and would thank them for their assistance in smoothing the way out of a difficulty. It was clear, after the death of Sir Cordy Burrows, and from the resolution which was passed by the Council of the South-Eastern Branch, that it would be impossible the Association could meet at Brighton this year; and it was, therefore, necessary to call an extraordinary meeting and obtain the sanction of the Association to the acceptance of the offer which had with great promptness and kindness come from their medical brethren of Sheffield—an invitation which was signed by upwards of one hundred and thirty members of the profession in that town and its neighbourhood. The members of the Association present that day would receive the deputation with cordiality; and, for his part, he felt that the members would accept it as doubly welcome from the handsome way in which it was offered, and would reciprocate the generous spirit which had actuated the members who offered it. [Cheers.] The acceptance of this offer would assist the Association out of a difficulty, and would give the members that annual congress to which they ever looked forward with pleasure. [Cheers.]

Dr. DE BARTOLOMÉ, who was then called upon to speak, said he thought that this meeting was only to be one of a *pro forma* character, and he had no thought of having to address a meeting. He would, however, ask the members to permit him again to offer the Association a Yorkshire welcome. [Cheers.] He could assure the Association that the members of the profession in Sheffield would be most happy to receive their brethren; and if they could not make the visit the best the Association ever had, they would endeavour that it should not be the least pleasurable. [Cheers.] If Sheffield failed to accomplish all it had set down to do, the members might blame the rashness; for

"Fools rush in  
Where angels fear to tread."

[A laugh.] The visitors would have to forgive the ignorance of their entertainers; and this would only arise from inexperience, for Sheffield had not had the opportunity of entertaining the Association since it had risen to its present dimensions—not, indeed, for thirty years; but there would be no complaint of want of heart. [Cheers.] A few days after it became known in Sheffield that the Association was in a difficulty respecting the appointed place for its annual meeting, a meeting of the local profession was called, which was attended by a considerable number, and the desire there expressed to invite the Association was received with enthusiasm, and in little more than a week £700 had been promised to the Reception Fund. The profession in Sheffield found the Association for a moment in "a fix", and, like Yorkshire men, they had rushed to the rescue. [Cheers.] He begged to introduce the deputation, and to lay the invitation of Sheffield before the meeting. This was signed by a large number of the profession in and out of Sheffield: a committee had been formed, and he believed he was justified in saying that the invitation was unanimously supported, or as nearly unanimously as in matters of this kind could be expected.

Dr. THOMPSON (Leamington) said that the members had heard the very cordial invitation given by Dr. De Bartolomé, and he had great pleasure in moving the acceptance of it. After the expression of feeling on the part of the profession at Sheffield, the Association could not do wrong in going to that town. If the Association had gone to Brighton, they would have had the beauties of Nature, whilst at Sheffield they would have the manufactures which assisted science and art. He moved :

"That, having received so warm and cordial an invitation from the profession and members of the Association of Sheffield and the district, to hold the annual meeting of August at Sheffield, and in view of the difficulties of holding the meeting at Brighton, the recommendation of the Committee of Council to accept the invitation to Sheffield be adopted, and the minute of the general meeting held at Edinburgh on August 4th, 1875, be and it is hereby rescinded."

Dr. TOTHERICK (Wolverhampton) seconded the motion, and said that he thought nothing could have been more timely, more generous, or more creditable, than the action of the profession at Sheffield.

The motion was then put and carried unanimously.

Mr. J. V. SOLOMON (Birmingham) proposed that Dr. De Bartolomé be the President-elect. [*Cheers.*] Dr. De Bartolomé had been for more than a quarter of a century professionally resident in Sheffield, and had won the esteem of his brethren in the medical art, and of his fellow-citizens; and under his presidency the dignity and welfare of the profession would be fully maintained. [*Cheers.*]

Mr. O. PEMBERTON (Birmingham) seconded the resolution, which he had not the slightest doubt the meeting would agree to unanimously; and he could only express the hope that Dr. De Bartolomé would find the same satisfaction in occupying the chair as the members of the Association would have in his presidency. [*Cheers.*]

The motion was carried *nem. con.* amid cheers.

The President announced that the Committee of Council had sent a letter of condolence to the family of the late Sir John Cordy Burrows.

The meeting then closed.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

### DR. LANCHESTER AND THE BRIGHTON PROCEEDINGS.

SIR,—Dr. Lanchester complains that I have misrepresented him. If I have done so, I regret it very much. But, on the other hand, it appears to me that he has no right to make any such complaint; for, if his language have any meaning at all, it will surely only bear the construction I put upon it. In his first letter, he says: "But I must enter my strongest protest against the manner in which we have been dragged into the dispute." And, again: "I feel that the resolution was morally, if not technically, unfairly sprung upon us."

Now, here is the charge which is the subject of my remonstrance, plain enough; and, as he ought to have ascertained the facts beforehand, I concluded he did so.

This charge is made against one or both of two parties: the "Brighton men", or the Branch Council. Dr. Lanchester, I am glad to see, exonerates the former; his language is: "I totally deny that I made any charges against the 'Brighton men'." Now, this is as complete as it is distinct; and, as such, must be deemed satisfactory.

But, if we are thus relieved from a very disagreeable position, our colleagues in the Council unfortunately are *pro tanto* the more firmly fixed in it! Here is the second horn of the dilemma; and I cannot think Dr. Lanchester will elect to sit upon it, any more than he did the first; though one or the other I am afraid he must occupy, if he abide by the terms of his letter.

After his deprecation of any intention at least to attack the "Brighton men", I am charitable enough to believe that, written, as it probably was, in a moment of annoyance at his defeat in the Council, that letter probably went beyond what Dr. Lanchester really intended to say.

If so, it would be better to acknowledge it at once; and thus, by exculpating the Council, as he has already done the "Brighton men", to get rid of an unpleasant business.

I beg to remain, very truly yours, R. BRANWELL.

Brighton, May 3rd, 1876.

P.S.—Dr. Fussell, upon whose presence at the Council Dr. Lanchester relies to make up his five "Brighton men", had left the room before the business commenced.—R. B.

### ROME AND NAPLES.

SIR,—Dr. Macpherson has, in one or two points, a little misapprehended my letter on the dangers of the Neapolitan hotels. I never meant to imply that the ill-constructed water-closets, about which I wrote, were other than the channels through which mainly the poisonous sewer-air is conveyed into the houses most frequented by English and American travellers. I am quite aware that the whole system of drainage in Naples is such as to require radical reform, and that, although better constructed water-closets would mitigate the evil so far as the hotels are concerned, it would not remove it. One of the most frequented hotels in Naples which, speaking from my personal knowledge, furnished the largest number of typhoid and diarrhoea cases of which I heard when in Rome and Naples, I am told, strides over one of the largest sewers in Naples, and most certainly is built quite close to it. The attention of intelligent visitors to this house, which is very handsome and commodious, is at once arrested by a faint sickly odour of pastiles, which are burnt frequently to conceal the smell of the neighbouring sewer.

Since the publication of my warning letter, a copy of a work on *Southern Italy as a Health-Station for Invalids*, by Dr. Horatio Storer, an American physician, long resident in Naples, has been sent to me. At page 26, there is the following passage. "In these old cities (Italian), sewers and cesspools that were built centuries since, and their very existence forgotten, or whose outlets have long since become completely occluded, are allowed to remain in connection with those now in use, and thus serve as constant sources of danger. Others, of modern construction, are long left without repair, although giving off the most offensive effluvia. This is often the case under circumstances where one would suppose it to be impossible, in view of the interests of all concerned. It is no uncommon thing at many of the hotels on the Continent most patronised by the better part of the travelling public to notice this deadly odour of the drains, especially at night. Whenever this is the case, that hotel is to be shunned as one would a pestilence, no matter what its reputation or the excuses offered by its proprietors." And, again, at page 27:—"At Naples there exist a rainy and a rainless season, and an almost tideless sea. Clogged as the sewers become through the summer, there are evolved, when the rains come and flush them, exhalations as poisonous as those of Vesuvius itself, and this for months together. The scourings of the drains lie long just outside the shore—in certain winds, for many days—infecting the air as it enters the town; and this state of things is increased by the three long breakwaters which extend into the sea. . . . At Naples, even more than in Rome, exact locality becomes of the very first importance, whether one's visit is to be for a day, a month, or a year. *Some of the hotels, though enticing and admirable to all appearance, are noted for the almost constant presence of fever; and some of the private houses with suites of apartments to let, though situated in the most fascinating part of the city, would be far too dear even if offered as a gift.*" (The italics are mine.)

Dr. Storer's work bears equally strong testimony to the truth of my account of the unwholesome nature of the water-supply of Naples, and goes so far as to say "that the great hope of Naples, in every sanitary sense, lies in the speedy completion of a proper aqueduct from the neighbouring mountains".

Dr. Macpherson, in another passage of his letter, misapprehends my meaning. He says: "Dr. Maclean tells us that typhoid is not much heard of in Naples itself. But, if Naples breed much typhoid, many cases of it must occur in that city." Dr. Macpherson does not see that I wrote not of the population of Naples, but of English and American tourists, whose stay in that city is limited to a few days, and who, if poisoned in the way I described, do not show symptoms of disease until they return to Rome and Florence, on their way to Northern Italy. This was true of all the cases of which I had exact information.

Again, Dr. Macpherson does not appear to believe that travellers would be safer in Castellamare than in Naples. On this point, it may interest your readers to know what Dr. Storer says. "At Castellamare, however, but an hour away by rail, one can sleep upon the mountain-side with an atmosphere almost as bracing and refined as at Assisi or Perugia; and many do indeed make this town their head-quarters during their residence, so-called, at Naples."

I am, sir, yours faithfully,

W. C. MACLEAN, M.D.

Netley, May 1st, 1876.

### MR. NAPIER'S APPARATUS FOR LOCAL ANÆSTHESIA.

SIR,—I shall esteem it a favour if you will allow me to correct an error in the description of my new instrument for producing local anæsthesia as it was represented in your impression of last week. I

**Tapeworm.**—The PRESIDENT exhibited seven or eight yards of a tapeworm, which had been expelled by two drachms of kouso from a man complaining of dyspepsia, sudden swelling of the abdomen, and a dry ringing cough.

## UNIVERSITY INTELLIGENCE.

### UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

**EXAMINERS.**—The following Examiners for 1876-1877 have been elected :—

**Chemistry.**—Professor Roscoe, Ph.D., B.A., F.R.S., and W. J. Russell, Esq., Ph.D., F.R.S. **Botany and Vegetable Physiology.**—Rev. M. J. Berkeley, M.A., and Maxwell T. Masters, Esq., M.D., F.R.S. **Practice of Medicine.**—Professor Wilson Fox, M.D., B.A., F.R.S., and Charles Murchison, Esq., M.D., LL.D., F.R.S. **Surgery.**—John Cooper Forster, Esq., M.B., and W. S. Savory, Esq., M.B., F.R.S. **Anatomy.**—George W. Callender, Esq., F.R.S., and Professor John Curnow, M.D. **Physiology, Comparative Anatomy, and Zoology.**—George J. Allman, Esq., M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., and Professor William Rutherford, M.D., F.R.S.E. **Obstetric Medicine.**—J. Hall Davis, Esq., M.D., and Professor W. S. Playfair, M.D. **Materia Medica and Pharmaceutical Chemistry.**—T. Lauder Brunton, Esq., M.D., D.Sc., C.M., F.R.S., and Professor Sydney Ringer, M.D. **Forensic Medicine.**—Professor Arthur Gamgee, M.D., F.R.S., and Professor Henry Maudsley, M.D. The only changes from last year's list are the substitution of Mr. Cooper Forster for Mr. John Marshall in Surgery, and of Dr. Curnow for Mr. G. V. Ellis in Anatomy.

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND POOR-LAW MEDICAL SERVICES.

### POOR-LAW MEDICAL SUPERANNUATION.

R.—Will you kindly give me any information in your power, in your answers to correspondents, in next issue of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, as to the Poor-law Medical Superannuation Fund—the amount given in proportion to salary, and time required to have been in office?—I am, sir, yours, etc., MEDICUS

\* \* \* The medical officer must have reached the age of sixty; must have resigned his office, and obtained a certificate from the Poor law inspector of his district showing his fitness for superannuation before the subject can be entertained by the Board of Guardians. They can grant two-thirds of the salary and fees. Guardians have been permitted to superannuate officers under this age, but it is under very exceptional circumstances.

## MEDICAL NEWS.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.**—The following gentlemen were admitted Members on April 27th, 1876.

Bennett, Alexander Hughes, M.D. Edin., 18, St. George's Terrace  
Oliver, George, M.D. Lond., Harrogate  
Park, William, M.D. St. Andrew's, 20, Endsleigh Street  
Sangster, Alfred, M.B. Cambridge, Guy's Hospital  
Skerritt, Edward Markham, M.D. Lond., Clifton  
Smith, Richard Thomas, M.D. Lond., 21, Haverstock Hill  
Sturge, William Allen, M.D. Lond., National Hospital, Queen Square

The following gentleman was admitted a Fellow on April 27th.  
Charles, Thomas Edmonston, M.D. Edin., Calcutta

The following gentlemen were admitted Licentiates on April 27th.

Bott, Henry, St. Bartholomew's Hospital  
Buckell, Ernest Hook, 6, Harrington Street  
Burton, Herbert Campbell, Lee Park Lodge  
Don, Arthur Gorbett, 56, Porten Road  
Fowler, James Kingston, King's College Hospital  
Henley, Edward Whishaw, Belgrave Hospital, Winchester Street  
Horner, Arthur Claydon, St. Bartholomew's Hospital  
Hutton, Edwin Rutherford, 87, Lever Street  
Llewellyn, Rees Ralph, 152, Whitechapel Road  
Makins, George Henry, Bethlem Hospital  
Newman, John Jepson, Guy's Hospital  
Pearse, Joshua Sydney, University Hospital  
Pratt, William Thomas Cassel, Newport, Monmouthshire  
Rogers, Thomas King, 186, Southgate Road  
Shadwell, St. Clair Brockway, Walthamstow  
Shann, Frederick, 42, Halsey Street  
Sloman, Herbert, Farnham  
Smyth, Spencer Thomas, 6, Tyson Road  
Swanwick, Eustace Maclean, Greenheys, Manchester  
Walker, Horace, 16, Tavistock Street, Bedford Square  
Watson, Percival Humble, Sunderland  
Williams, Philip Henry, Royal Infirmary, Windsor

Winckworth, Charles Edward, South End Road  
Winship, William Lionel, Newcastle-upon-Tyne

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

Batchelor, Henry Thomas, 17, Bancroft Road  
Buckell, Leonard Martin, 14, Holford Square  
Collier, Herbert, Bohemia House, Turnham Green  
Makuna, Manikji Dosabhai, 85, Ladbroke Road

**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 1st instant; and, when eligible, will be admitted to the pass-examination.

Messrs. John R. Colenso, Henry E. Giffard, Arthur Flint, and George J. Ward, students of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; John M. Biggs, Charles M. Maxwell, and John Fulford, of University College; Alfred G. Wells, Alexander B. Hammond, and Owen Griffiths, of Guy's Hospital; Herbert J. R. Moberly, and Samuel Hyde, of King's College; George A. Herschell, of St. Thomas's Hospital.

The following gentlemen passed on the 2nd instant.

Messrs. John Brock, John Davies, Edward Penny, and M. F. Cock, of Guy's Hospital; Edward C. Bousfield, A. P. Hart, J. M. Campbell, and C. J. Morgan, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital; William Francis, and W. S. Tuke, of University College; Alfred Teevan, of King's College; H. E. R. James, of the Charing Cross Hospital.

Sixty-three candidates out of one hundred and forty-eight examined, having failed to acquit themselves to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners, were referred to their anatomical and physiological studies for three months.

**APOTHECARIES' HALL.**—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, April 27th, 1876.

Boys, Arthur Henry, Brixton Hill  
Crowther, William Harding, Ealing  
Greenwood, Arthur, Chipping Norton  
Livesey, Ernest William, Duke Street, Portman Square  
Lloyd, David, Newcastle Emlyn  
Moore, Charles Arthur, Thetford, Norfolk  
Palmer, Francis Craddock, Weston-super-Mare  
Potts, Lawrence, The Avenue, Beckenham  
Rigby, William Bradshaw, Sutton, near St. Helen's

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

Earle, Joseph Herbert, Guy's Hospital  
Lawless, Edward James, London Hospital  
Lewis, Thomas Hope, St. Bartholomew's Hospital  
Parry, George Hales, Guy's Hospital  
Robertson, George Scott, Westminster Hospital  
Stacpoole, Charles Aitken, Westminster Hospital

At the Preliminary Examination in Arts, held at the Hall of the Society, on the 28th and 29th of April, 1876—62 candidates presented themselves; of whom 21 were rejected, and the following 41 passed, and received certificates of proficiency in general education—viz., in the First Class, in order of merit:

Howard Bendall, Thomas F. Fullard, John Alfred Gray, Thomas Underwood Gray, Frank Octavius Hodson, and Peter Pigott, equal: John Octavius Slipper, Charles Cooper, Ben Hall, and Archibald T. G. Heath, equal.

In the Second Class, in alphabetical order:

R. M. E. Atthill, G. R. Beardmore, H. J. Blakesley, M. G. Clark, E. Cotterell, H. M. Dancy, C. S. Dezvete, F. Epps, F. J. Golding, H. St. David Griffiths, F. Hewkley, H. Hodgson, L. G. P. Holmes, R. M. Hughes, J. C. R. Husband, A. H. Jackson, T. B. Jacobson, W. Knott, S. R. Lidiard, J. H. Macadam, T. E. Nöding, J. G. O'Neill, C. R. Owen, F. F. Penno, H. S. Robinson, H. G. Shore, J. Tucker, T. K. Whitehead, A. J. Williams, John Williams, and L. W. Wilson.

**KING AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS IN IRELAND.**—At the usual monthly examination meetings of the College, held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, April 11th, 12th, and 13th, 1876, the following candidates were successful.—For the Previous Examination in Medicine.

Fuller, Joseph

For the License to Practise Medicine.

Barcroft, Penrose John  
Blake, Richard Marlay  
Cumine, James Moray  
Duff, Arthur  
Elmes, Robert Rosborough King  
Falkiner, Thomas Falkiner  
Gillibrand, William

Hoey, John  
Keays, Samuel  
Monks, Charles  
O'Connell, Morgan David  
Palmer, Francis Craddock  
Roberts, Browne

For the License to Practise Midwifery.

Barcroft, Penrose John  
Bredon, Alexander Macaulay  
Cumine, James Moray  
Duff, Arthur  
Elmes, Robert Rosborough King  
Falkiner, Thomas Falkiner  
Gillibrand, William

Hoey, John  
Keays, Samuel  
Kilbride, James  
Leatham, William  
Monks, Charles  
O'Connell, Morgan David  
Roberts, Browne

## MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are announced:—

- ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE INFIRMARY—House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 per annum, with board and residence. Applications on or before May 27th.
- AUCKLAND UNION—Medical Officer for the Byers Green District. Salary, £20 per annum.
- BELGRAVE HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN—Surgeon, Applications on or before May 8th.
- BIRKENHEAD BOROUGH HOSPITAL—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £60 per annum, with board, etc. Applications on or before May 12th.
- BIRMINGHAM, QUEEN'S HOSPITAL—Two House-Surgeons. Salary, £50 per annum, with board and lodging. Applications to the Secretary on or before May 6th.
- CRICKHOWELL UNION—Medical Officer for the Hill District. Salary, £24 per annum.
- DURHAM COUNTY HOSPITAL—Physician. Application to the Committee of Management.
- DURSLEY UNION—Medical Officer. Salary, £80 per annum. Applications on or before May 17th.
- FULHAM WORKHOUSE—Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum.
- GUISEBOROUGH UNION—Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £400 per annum. Applications on or before May 8th.
- KNARESBOROUGH UNION—Medical Officer for the Hill District.
- LEICESTER INFIRMARY AND FEVER HOUSE—House-Surgeon. Salary, £120 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications on or before May 8th.
- LEICESTER UNION—Medical Officer. Salary, £80 per annum. Applications on or before May 16th.
- LONDON CANCER HOSPITAL—Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum.—Assistant Surgeon. Salary, £50 per annum. Applications on or before May 20th.
- LONDON FEVER HOSPITAL—Two Assistant Physicians. Applications to the Secretary on or before May 9th.
- MANSFIELD UNION—Medical Officer for the Second District.
- 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.
- 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.*

- BARTON, James K., L.R.C.P.Lond., appointed Ophthalmic House-Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, *vice* W. H. P. Sheehy, M.R.C.S.Eng.
- BUTLER, Patrick, L.K.Q.C.P., appointed House-Surgeon to the Queen Adelaide Dispensary, Bethnal Green.
- \*SMITH, James Ouston, L.R.C.P.Ed., appointed Surgeon to the Shrewsbury Provident Dispensary, *vice* Reginald Hartley, L.R.C.P.Ed., resigned.
- \*TURNELL, Arthur P., M.R.C.S.Eng., appointed House-Surgeon to the Dover Hospital, *vice* R. J. A. Dobbie, M.R.C.S.Eng., resigned.

## 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.

- ASHBY.—On April 27th, at Vine House, Grantham, the wife of Alfred Ashby, M.B.Lond., F.R.C.S., of a son.
- LYONS.—At Midnapore, Calcutta, on April 5th, the wife of Surgeon-Major R. T. Lyons (daughter of Sir J. Rose Cornack, M.D.), of twins, a son and daughter. The daughter was still-born.
- STOCKER.—On April 30th, at Peckham House, Peckham, the wife of \*Alonzo H. Stocker, M.D., of a son.

## MARRIAGES.

- RITCHIE—MACKAY.—At Pollok Road, Pollokshaws, N.B., on April 28th, by the Rev. J. M. Dunlop, U.P. Church, Pollokshaws, assisted by the Rev. A. M. Dalrymple, M.A., Smethwick, Andrew Ritchie, M.D., to Jane Miller, eldest daughter of George Mackay, Esq.
- SMITH—DAWSON.—On April 27th, at St. James's Church, Great Grimsby, by the Rev. W. P. Jones, Vicar of Clec, assisted by the Rev. H. Hutchinson, James Edward Smith, M.D., Great Grimsby, second son of Arthur Smith, of Collings town House, co. Kildare, Ireland, to Anne Eliza, second daughter of Edward Dawson, C.E., Landsdown House, Great Grimsby.
- WALKER—ATKINSON.—On April 26th, at Rotherham Church, by the Rev. A. W. Hamilton, M.A., Mus. Bac., Vicar of Stanton-in-the-Peak, assisted by the Rev. J. W. Taylor, M.A., Rector of Statherne, uncle of the bride, Bernard Walker, M.R.C.S.Eng., Masbrough, to Mary Abigail, eldest daughter of T. G. Atkinson, M.D., The Grange, near Rotherham.

## DEATH.

- \*GREEN, Thomas, M.B.(Lond.), M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A., and L.M.(Dub.), in his 55th year, at 122, Highgate, Kendal, on April 26th.

UPON the proposition of Sir Henry Drummond Wolff, M.P. for Christchurch, it has been decided to establish an infirmary on the provident principle at Bournemouth.

MR. EDWIN COATHUPE, M.R.C.S.Eng., has been appointed Chief Constable of the City and County of Bristol, and commenced his duties last week.

## OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

- MONDAY .....Metropolitan 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.
- 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.—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.
- 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.—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.

- TUESDAY.—Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Mr. H. Morris, "On a Case of Congenital Hydronephrosis, with Remarks on the Secretion and Excretion of Urine in the Fetus"; Dr. Fagge, "On the Nature and Origin of the Lead Line in the Gums"; Dr. Gowers, "On Athetosis and Post-Hemiplegic Disorders of Movement".
- WEDNESDAY.—Epidemiological Society, 8 P.M. Dr. Squire, "Measles in the Dog"; "Notes, with additional data respecting the early development of the Cholera Epidemic of 1853-54, and 1865-68".
- FRIDAY.—Clinical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Mr. Maunder, "Three Cases of Subcutaneous Osteotomy of the Femur" (the patients will be exhibited); Dr. Duffin, "A Case of Tumour of the Corpora Quadrigemina"; The President (for Mr. Leggatt), "A Case of Intestinal Concretion passed *per anum*"; Dr. Pearson Irvine, "A Case of Diphtheritic Paralysis simulating extensive Lung-disease".

## 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.

MR. MARTIN (Weston-super-Mare).—We have already a "Column for the Curious", and a department for notes, queries, and replies. We do not understand what addition to these our correspondent suggests; but shall be glad to have details of his suggestion.

## A CAUTION.

SIR,—We, the undersigned, beg to put our professional brethren on their guard respecting a female who called upon us yesterday. Her age is about forty; height about five feet four inches; complexion florid; dress somewhat as follows: dark bonnet and veil, light shawl, dark dress, cotton gloves, cuffs with black studs. She requested each of us to visit a lady recently arrived from Cheshire, who had been recommended to send for us. She stated the name of the lady was Tyler, and gave us different addresses. Since the visit of the aforesaid female, we have each of us missed personal property, and have placed the matter in the hands of the police. Other medical friends in our neighbourhood have been visited by the same or a similar individual, to the cost.—We are, etc.,  
H. CRIPPS LAWRENCE, 158, Queen's Road, Bayswater.  
GEOFFREY HETT, 1, Ledbury Road, W.

May 3rd, 1876.

SIR,—Now that a Scotch University Commission is appointed, will some one kindly advise how the hundreds of us medical practitioners desiring the M.D. but prevented from obtaining it by the regulation requiring residence, may lay before the Commission our grievance? If any one would suggest some simple arrangement whereby every medical man who desires might be heard by the Commissioners, you would confer a great boon upon many just now.—Yours,  
May 1st, 1876. L.R.C.P.Lond.