

it to the notice of the supporters and lovers of biological research in this country and in our profession. Mr. Romanes, 18, Cornwall Terrace, London, will receive subscriptions for the purpose.

## INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF MEDICAL SCIENCE AT AMSTERDAM.

WE are requested to mention that intending exhibitors of new apparatus or instruments for use in medicine, surgery, or physiology at this congress should make known the amount of space they will require before the 5th of August next. All communications on this as on other subjects relating to the Congress should be addressed to the Secretary-General, Dr. Guye, at Amsterdam. Printed regulations and programme of the Congress can now be had on application to Dr. Guye.

## ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

### BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Forty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held at Cork, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, August 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th, 1879.

*President:* R. W. FALCONER, M.D., F.R.C.P., D.C.L., Consulting Physician to the Royal United Hospital, Bath.

*President-Elect:* DENIS C. O'CONNOR, A.B., M.B., Professor of the Practice of Medicine in Queen's College, Cork.

An Address in Medicine will be delivered by ALFRED HUDSON, M.D., M.R.I.A., Regius Professor of Physic in the University of Dublin.

An Address in Surgery will be delivered by WILLIAM S. SAVORY, M.B., F.R.C.S., F.R.S., Surgeon to and Lecturer on Surgery at St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

An Address in Public Medicine will be given by ANDREW FERGUS, M.D., President of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow. The business of the Association will be transacted in Six Sections.

**SECTION A.: MEDICINE.**—*President:* Andrew Clark, M.D., F.R.C.P. *Vice-Presidents:* James Little, M.D.; William Townsend, M.D. *Secretaries:* George F. Duffey, M.D., 30, Fitzwilliam Place, Dublin; Benjamin Spedding, L.R.C.P. Edin., 17, Cherry Mount, Belfast.

**SECTION B.: SURGERY.**—*President:* Professor W. K. Tanner, M.D. *Vice-Presidents:* W. Mac Cormac, F.R.C.S. Eng.; J. Cooper Forster, F.R.C.S. Eng. *Secretaries:* J. G. Curtis, F.R.C.S.I., 7, Camden Place, Cork; N. J. Hobart, M.D., 33, South Mall, Cork; Stephen O'Sullivan, M.D., 6, Camden Place, Cork.

**SECTION C.: OBSTETRIC MEDICINE.**—*President:* George H. Kidd, M.D. *Vice-Presidents:* W. J. Cummins, M.D.; Alfred Wiltshire, M.D. *Secretaries:* Professor R. J. Kinkead, M.D., Galway; Fancourt Barnes, M.D., 39, Weymouth Street, London.

**SECTION D.: PUBLIC MEDICINE.**—*President:* T. W. Grimshaw, M.D. *Vice-Presidents:* H. J. Littlejohn, M.D.; C. Meymott Tidy, M.B. *Secretaries:* J. L. Notter, M.D., Netley; James Martin, L.K.Q.C.P., Portlaw, County Waterford.

**SECTION E.: PSYCHOLOGY.**—*President:* J. A. Eames, M.D. *Vice-Presidents:* Henry Rayner, M.D.; Herbert C. Major, M.D. *Secretaries:* Oscar T. Woods, M.D., Killarney; Ringrose Atkins, M.D., Waterford.

**SECTION F.: PHYSIOLOGY.**—*President:* Henry Power, F.R.C.S. *Vice-Presidents:* Professor John J. Charles, M.D.; Reuben J. Harvey, M.D. *Secretary:* W. H. Allchin, M.B., 34, Wimpole Street, London. *Secretary to the Physiological Museum:* C. Y. Pearson, M.D., Cork. *Secretaries to Museum Committee:* T. Gelston Atkins, M.D.; C. Harvey, M.D.

*Honorary Local Secretary:* Professor H. MACNAUGHTON JONES, M.D., St. Patrick's Place, Cork.

*Honorary Assistant Local Secretaries:* RINGROSE ATKINS, M.D. Waterford; D. C. O'CONNOR, jun., 2, Camden Place, Cork.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5TH, 1879.

10 A.M.—Meeting of Committee of Council.

11 A.M.—Meeting of the Council of 1878-79.

3 P.M.—General Meeting. President's Address; Annual Report of Council, and other business.

8 P.M.—Reception by the President of the Association and the Local Reception Committee at Queen's College.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH.

9.30 A.M.—Meeting of Council of 1879-80.

11 A.M.—Second General Meeting. Address in Medicine.

2 to 5 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

8 P.M.—Reception by the Mayor, Corporation, and Citizens of Cork.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7TH.

9 A.M.—Meeting of the Committee of Council.

10 A.M.—Third General Meeting. Reports of Committees.

11 A.M.—Address in Surgery.

2 to 5 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

6.30 P.M.—Public Dinner.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH.

10 A.M.—Address in Public Health.

11 A.M.—Sectional Meetings.

1.30 P.M.—Concluding General Meeting.

4 P.M.—Garden Party by Reception Committee at Queen's College.

8 P.M.—Concert by the Reception Committee.

Arrangements have been made for providing a Subsection of Ophthalmology and Otology in the Surgical Section. Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, F.R.C.S., has consented to take the Chair. Dr. James Paterson Cassells, of Glasgow, will act as Honorary Secretary for Otology; and Mr. H. Rosborough Swanzy, of 23, Merriem Square North, Dublin, and Mr. Edward Nettleship, of 4, Wimpole Street, London, will act as Secretaries for Ophthalmology.

There will also be a Subsection of Dermatology in the Section of Medicine. Professor McCall Anderson has consented to take the Chair, and Mr. Malcolm A. Morris, 63, Montagu Square, Hyde Park, W., London, and Dr. Walter Smith, 34, Lower Baggot Street, Dublin, will act as Honorary Secretaries.

### EXCURSIONS.

His Grace the Duke of Devonshire has generously intimated his intention to entertain the members of the Association who visit Lismore and the Blackwater, and to open the Castle grounds for the visitors.

On Saturday, August 9th, there will be excursions to the Lakes of Killarney, the Blackwater Valley, and the River and Harbour.

Sir George Colthurst, Bart., has generously intimated his intention to entertain the members of the Association at Blarney during the intended visit.

There will be an excursion in the North of Ireland arranged for the Wednesday following the meeting, under the direction of Dr. Walter Bernard, of Londonderry, including Lough Swilly, Muckish, and Errigat Mountains, Donegal, Derry, Giants' Causeway, and Belfast.

Intending visitors, and those bringing ladies and requiring rooms, are requested to communicate with Professor Macnaughton Jones as soon as possible.

### NOTICE OF MOTION.

NOTICE is hereby given that at the annual general meeting of members to be held at Cork on the 5th day of August next, the following regulations for the conduct of annual meetings will, on behalf of the Committee of Council, be proposed for adoption.

- The programme of the annual general meeting shall be under the control of the Committee of Council. The following regulations shall guide the Committee of Arrangement and any local Committee that may be formed.
- The gradual and constant increase of the members of the British Medical Association renders it expedient to express the strong opinion of the Committee of Council, that the medical men of the locality at which the Association holds its meeting should not deem it necessary to incur a large expenditure; as, otherwise, the choice of a place of meeting must be more and more limited to the larger towns of the kingdom.
- It is recommended that no part of the expense of providing public luncheons or dinners shall be borne by the local medical men.
- As the action of each President may appear to entail obligations on his successor, he is particularly recommended not to show any profuse public hospitality.
- The annual dinner shall be under the control of the Committee of Council.
- All papers intended to be read at the annual meeting shall be forwarded, together with an abstract, to the Secretaries of Sections, ten days before the annual meeting takes place, excepting the Addresses of the Presidents of Sections, or of the readers appointed by the Committee of Council.
- The President, Vice-Presidents and Secretaries of each Section will form a Committee of Reference, with power to accept, decline, or postpone any paper, and to arrange the order in which the papers shall be read.
- Selected papers may be printed at the expense of the authors before the meeting, so that they may be purchased at cost price previously to their being read.
- The papers in each section shall, as far as possible, be grouped together, so as to insure a general discussion on kindred subjects.
- No abstract shall occupy more than ten minutes in reading, and no person shall be permitted to speak more than once or for more than ten minutes during the discussion.
- In each section some subject shall be selected for discussion at the ensuing annual meeting, and one or more members shall be appointed to draw up a report on such subject, which shall be printed at the expense of the Association, and distributed in the same manner as determined on in Section 8.
- No resolution, unless moved by the Committee of Council or a Committee of the Association, shall be passed at an annual general meeting, unless notice of the same shall have been given on the previous day, in writing, to the General Secretary, to be entered on the agenda of the day, and printed in the daily journal.

13. The Committee of Council shall meet on the first day of the annual meeting, at two o'clock in the afternoon. The Council of the Association shall meet subsequently, and the first general meeting of the Association shall be held in the evening.
14. All reports of Committees of the Association shall be printed in the JOURNAL before the annual meeting.

Dr. James Thompson of Leamington hereby gives notice that he will move, in the proposed regulation No. 7, that the words "to accept, decline, or postpone any paper, and," be omitted. The proposed regulation would then read as follows:

The President, Vice-Presidents, and Secretaries of each Section will form a Committee of Reference, with power to arrange the order in which papers shall be read.

## SECTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS.

### SECTION A.—MEDICINE.

The following subjects have been selected for discussion in the section.

1. "On the Value of Mountain Air in the Treatment of Phthisis." Drs. H. Bennet, Clifford Allbutt, Berkart, and Roberts have notified their intention of taking part in the discussion.

2. "Alcohol in Fever." Drs. James Little, Macnaughton Jones, Tibbits, Balthazar Foster, Norman Kerr, and Gairdner will read papers and take part in the discussion on this subject.

3. "Tracheotomy in Croup." Drs. Wm. Squire and Corley, Mr. R. W. Parker, Dr. William Thompson, and Mr. William Stokes will read papers and take part in the discussion on this subject.

The following papers are also promised for this section.

- ANDERSON, T. McCall, M.D. The Use of Iodide of Starch in the Treatment of Lupus Erythematoses.  
 COLLIE, Alexander, M.D. The Cold Bath in the Treatment of Enteric Fever.  
 CUMING, James, M.D. A Case of Diplegia.  
 DONKIN, Horatio, M.B. Some cases of Abnormally High Temperature.  
 DRYSDALE, Charles R., M.D. Syphilitic Albuminuria.  
 ELLIOT, Robert, M.D. Some rare and inexplicable Nervous Affections.  
 FOTHERGILL, J. Milner, M.D. Diagnostic Cerebral.  
 HAYDEN, Thomas, F.K.Q.C.P.I. Certain Varieties of Cardiac Neurosis.  
 MACCORMAC, Henry, M.D. Tubercular Disease: its Genesis and Origin.  
 MACKENZIE, Morell, M.D. Laryngeal Phthisis.  
 SAUNDREY, Robert, M.D. Albuminuria.  
 SMITH, Walter, M.D. The Bismuth-test for Grape-Sugar.  
 SQUIRE, William, M.D. The Influence of Treatment in the Cure of Rheumatic Fever before and since the employment of Salicylic Acid.  
 TIBBITS, Edward T., M.D. 1. The Modern Theory of the Action of Digitalis.

### SECTION B.—SURGERY.

The special subjects for discussion in this section are:

1. Subcutaneous Osteotomy. The discussion will be opened by Mr. William Adams; and papers in connection with this subject are promised by the following members.

- BRODHURST, Bernard E., Esq. On an Operation for Genu Valgum, with some Remarks on Osteotomy.  
 GANT, F. J., Esq. Subcutaneous Osteotomy below the Trochanter.  
 MACEWEN, William, M.D. Antiseptic Osteotomy.

The following gentlemen will take part in the discussion: E. H. Bennett, M.D.; John Fagan, Esq.; and Rushton Parker, Esq.

2. The Diagnosis and Treatment of Joint-Diseases in their various stages. Dr. Lewis A. Sayre of New York will open the discussion. A paper on the subject will also be read by T. P. Teale, Esq.

Papers are also promised by:

- FAGAN, John, Esq. Notes on the Treatment of Disease of the Wrist-Joint, with Report of a Successful Case of Excision in a Child Six Years Old.  
 GANT, F. J., Esq. On Excision of the Knee-Joint under special circumstances.  
 JOHNSON, Z., Esq. On the Free Opening of Joints.  
 JONES, H. Macnaughton, M.D. Exhibition of Cases illustrative of Operative Interference in Diseases of the Hip, Knee, and Ankle-Joints.  
 STOKES, William, M.D. On Resection in Joint-Disease.

The following gentlemen have promised to take part in the discussion on the subject: E. H. Bennett, M.D.; E. D. Mapother, M.D.; and Rushton Parker, Esq.

3. Treatment of Aneurism by Electrolysis. A paper on this subject will be read by Dr. Herbert Tibbits. The following gentlemen have promised to take part in the discussion: Joliffe Tufnell, Esq.; T. Clifford Allbutt, M.D.; and Balthazar Foster, M.D.

The following communications on various subjects are also promised.  
 BENNETT, E. H., M.D. 1. On Comminuted Fractures of the Upper Third of the Femur. 2. On Colles' Fracture. 3. An Analysis of the Varieties of Compound Fractures.

- FAGAN, John, Esq. 1. Will exhibit some Splints, which he thinks are novel, and believes to be good. 2. Morbid Specimens.  
 HILL, Berkeley, Esq. On the Effect of Stricture near the Meatus in causing Sub-public Contraction of the Urethra.  
 JOHNSON, Z., Esq. 1. On a Special and Peculiar Treatment of Varus (to be illustrated on a living example, if possible). 2. On a Special Treatment of Nævus. 3. On a Splint and Foot-piece (original), to be exhibited.  
 McDONNELL, Robert, M.D. The Intravenous Injection of Blood and other Fluids.  
 MELDON, Austen S., Esq. The Intravenous Injection of Milk.  
 OWEN, Edmund, Esq. Remarks on the Cause of Eversion of the Limb after Fracture of the Neck of the Femur.

PARKER, Rushton, Esq. On Amputation through the Femoral Condyles by the Methods of Lister and Stokes.

STEELE, Charles, Esq. On Chair-supports for Spinal Curvatures (chair to be exhibited).

TEEVAN, W. F., Esq. One Hundred Cases of Operation for Stone in the Bladder.

### Subsection of Ophthalmology and Otology.

*Ophthalmology.*—The following are the subjects for discussion.

1. The Treatment of Glaucoma. The discussion will be opened by Mr. Power of London. The following papers will be read in connection with this subject.

- COWELL, G., Esq. On Glaucoma.  
 TAYLOR, C. Bell, M.D. Sclerotomy and Iridectomy in Glaucoma.  
 DE WEEKER, Dr. Sclerotomy for Chronic Simple Glaucoma.

2. Examination for Colour-Blindness. The discussion will be opened by Mr. Rosborough Swanzy of Dublin. A paper on the subject is promised by Professor Cohn of Breslau.

3. The Use of Eserine, Pilocarpine, Gelsemine, Duboisin, etc. The discussion will be opened by Professor Macnaughton Jones. The following paper is promised.

DE WEEKER, Dr. The Use of Mandragorin.

4. Treatment of Detached Retina. The discussion will be opened by Mr. T. Shadford Walker of Liverpool.

5. Tobacco and Alcoholic Amblyopia.

6. Diphtheritic Ophthalmia.

Dr. Loring (New York), Dr. Hirschberg (Berlin), and others have expressed their willingness to take part in the discussions on the above subjects.

The following gentlemen have intimated their intention of reading communications.

- BROWNE, Edgar A., Esq. Some Clinical Aspects of Optic Neuritis.  
 FITZGERALD, C. E., M.D. On Knapp's Peripheral Division of the Capsule in Cataract-Extraction.  
 GLASCOTT, C. E., M.D. Report on the Results of the last Two Hundred Cases of Cataract Extraction by the modified Linear Operation.  
 JONES, H. Macnaughton, M.D. Eye-Dressings after Operations.  
 TAYLOR, C. Bell, M.D. 1. Synopsis of several hundred Cases of Cataract Extraction. 2. Therapeutic Use of Electricity in certain cases of (so-called) Amaurosis.

### SECTION C.—OBSTETRIC MEDICINE.

ATTHILL, Lombe, M.D. Inversion of the Uterus.

BARNES, Bancourt, M.D. A case in which Phlegmasia Dolens simultaneously attacked both legs and the left arm.

BARNES, Robert, M.D., F.R.C.P. A Case of Inversion of the Uterus.

BYFORD, W. H., M.D. The Treatment of Fibroid Tumours of the Uterus by Ergot.

COPEMAN, C., M.D. The Treatment of Severe Sickness during Pregnancy.

EDIS, Arthur W., M.D., F.R.C.P. Acquired Sterility: its Cause and Treatment.

KERR, Norman, M.D. Warm Water Injections in *Post Partum* Hemorrhage.

MACAN, Arthur, M.D. Hemorrhage from the Female Genital Organs during Pregnancy and Parturition.

MADDEN, Thomas More, M.D. On the Judicious Use and Selection of Embryoplastic Operations.

PLAYFAIR, W. S., M.D., F.R.C.P. Intra-uterine Medication.

TILLY, Edward J., M.D. Remarks on Intra-uterine Surgery.

WILTSHIRE, Alfred, M.D., F.R.C.P. A Case of Tetanus during Pregnancy: Recovery.

### SECTION D.—PUBLIC MEDICINE.

The special subjects selected for discussion are:

1. "The Influence of Drinking-Water in originating or propagating Enteric Fever, Diarrhoea, Diphtheria, and Scarletina; to be illustrated, as far as possible, by instances which have come under the personal observation of the speaker." The discussion will be opened by Andrew Fergus, M.D., and the following members have promised to read papers and take part in the discussion: Edward Ballard, M.D., F.R.C.P.L.; Alfred Carpenter, M.D.; and C. Meymott Tidy, M.B., F.C.S.

Papers in connection with this subject will also be read by:  
 HUDSON, Robert S., M.D. Facts illustrative of the Spread of Enteric Fever and Diarrhoea by the Agency of Polluted Drinking-Water.

KERR, Norman S., M.D. Typical Cases of Enteric Fever, Diarrhoea, Scarletina, and Diphtheria, from Drinking-Water.

NOTTER, J. Lane, B.A., M.D. On the Value of Chemical and Microscopic Analysis in its relation to this question.

2. "How are we to deal, by isolation or otherwise, with Convalescents from Acute Infective Diseases, so as to limit the spread of Disease?" The discussion on this question will be opened by John W. Moore, M.A., M.D. The following members have promised to read papers and take part in the discussion: Francis Vacher, L.R.C.P., and Arthur Ransome, M.A., M.D.

Notice of papers to be read are given by the following members.

- CHAPMAN, John H., L.K. & Q.C.P.I. On the Sanitary Arrangements of Dwellings.  
 DRYSDALE, Charles R., M.D. The Mortality of the Rich and Poor.  
 HART, Ernest, Esq. Sanitary Districts and Sanitary Administration under the Public Health Acts, with Maps and Tabular Statements, showing the present status of  
 NOTTER, J. Lane, M.D., F.C.S. The Experimental Study of Disinfectants.

### THE JOURNEY TO CORK.

Subjoined is a statement of the different ways in which Cork may be reached. All return tickets are available for two months.

1. *Viâ New Milford.* From New Milford at 8.30 P.M. on arrival of 10.15 A.M. express train from Paddington; arriving at Passage at 8 A.M. Fares from Paddington to Cork, first class, single, £2 8s.; return, £4; second class, single, £1 18s.; return £3 3s.

2. *Viâ New Milford and Waterford.* From Paddington by express train at 5.15 P.M., arriving in Waterford about 11 the following morning, and at Cork at 4.35 P.M.

3. *Viâ Bristol.* Steamer from Bristol to Cork, Saturday, August 2nd, at 6.30 P.M. Fares, cabin, single, £1 4s.; return, £1 16s.; from Paddington, first class and saloon, single, £2 2s. 6d.; return £3 8s.; second class and saloon, single, £1 16s.; return, £2 18s. 6d. Average length of sea-passage, 20 hours.

4. *Viâ Holyhead and Dublin.* a. From Euston Station by Irish mail at 7.15 A.M.; from Holyhead at 2.15 P.M.; from Dublin at 7.45 P.M.; arrive in Cork at 2 A.M.—b. From Euston Station by Irish mail at 8.25 P.M.; from Holyhead at 3.15 A.M.; from Dublin at 10.15 A.M.; arriving in Cork at 4.35 P.M. On Sunday mornings, the Irish mail trains are first class only from Dublin, leaving at 9 and 9.30 A.M., and arriving in Cork at 1.20 and 4.33 P.M.—c. From Euston Station by ordinary fast train at 5.15 P.M.; from Holyhead at 1.30 A.M.; from Dublin (North Wall) at 8 A.M. (except Mondays), and Kingsbridge daily at 9 A.M.; arriving in Cork at 2 P.M. (1.20 P.M. on Sundays).—Fares from London to Cork: Irish mail, first class, single, £3 9s. 6d.; return, £5 16s. 6d.; second class, single, £2 12s.; return, £4 7s. 6d.; ordinary train, first class, single, £2 17s.; return, £4 15s.; second class, single, £2 4s.; return, £3 13s. 6d.—Trains leave Dublin (Kingsbridge) for Cork at 6 A.M., 9 A.M., 10.15 A.M., 1 P.M., and 7.45 P.M. (mail).

5. *Liverpool to Cork, by Steamer.* Saturday, August 2nd, at 9.30 P.M.; returning from Cork on Saturday, August 9th, at 6 P.M. Average length of sea-passage, 20 hours. Fare, single, £1 1s.; return, £1 11s. 6d.

#### TOURIST ARRANGEMENTS.

The following arrangements are available in connection with the Great Southern and Western Railway during the tourist season.

*Killarney viâ Mallow.* Tickets, available for a calendar month, are issued to Killarney and back from Kingsbridge, Dublin. Fares: one passenger, a, £2 10s.; b, £2; two passengers, a, £4 10s.; b, £3 12s.; three passengers, a, £6 7s. 6d.; b, £5 2s.; four passengers, a, £8; b, £6 8s.; and so on in proportion up to eight passengers. Tickets are also issued from other stations on the line at proportionate reductions. Passengers may break the journey at Limerick Junction or at Mallow.

*Killarney and Connemara Circular Tour.* Tickets, available for a calendar month, are issued at Kingsbridge for Killarney, Limerick (or Tralee), Athenry, Galway, Westport, Ballina, and thence, viâ Midland Great Western Railway, to Dublin (Broadstone), at the following fares: One passenger, a, £3 1s. 6d.; b, £2 2s.; two passengers, a, £5 10s. 6d.; b, £3 15s. 6d.; three passengers, a, £7 16s. 6d.; b, £5 7s. 6d.; four passengers, a, £9 16s.; b, £6 13s. 6d.; and so on in proportion up to six passengers. Cars run between Galway and Clifden, Cong and Clifden, and Clifden and Westport in connection, at moderate fixed fares.

*Dublin to Cork viâ Killarney and Glengarriff.* Tickets are issued at Kingsbridge for Cork, viâ Killarney by rail, thence by car to Glengarriff and Drimolage, thence by rail to Cork, viâ Cork and Bandon Railway, at the following fares: first class rail and car, £2 17s. 9d.; second class rail and car, £2 7s. 10d. These tickets are not available for return from Cork, but are good for a month from the date of issue. Similar tickets for performing the journey the reverse way—viz., Cork to Drimolage, Glengarriff, Killarney, and thence by rail to Dublin—can be procured at the Cork Terminus of the Cork and Bandon Railway.

*Circular Tour, Cork to Killarney, Glengarriff, Drimolage, and Cork.* Tickets, available for a week, can be obtained for the above tour at the Great Southern and Western Railway Station, Cork; or for the same tour in reverse direction, at Cork Terminus of Cork and Bandon Railway. Fares: first class rail and car, £1 14s.; second class rail and car, £1 10s.

*Cork and Blackwater Circular Tour.* Tickets, available for six days, are issued at Cork (Glanmire Road) for the above, viâ Mallow, Lismore, Cappoquin; thence by Blackwater steamer to Youghal and by rail to Cork (Summerhill), or vice versa, from Cork (Summerhill) to Youghal; thence by Blackwater steamer to Cappoquin, and by rail to Lismore, Mallow, and Cork (Glanmire). Fares: first class, 10s.; second class, 8s.

Through tourist tickets can be obtained from all the principal stations in England, the North of Ireland, and Scotland for Killarney, and the holders, if they prefer it, can travel to Cork in place of Killarney. The holders can break the journey at Dublin, Limerick Junction, and Mallow.

\* a denotes first class; b second class.

Special arrangements are being completed for the excursions of the Association and the carriage of specimens, etc., with the company.

All the steam-packet companies will convey goods to the Museum and for the Sanitary Exhibition free of charge.

Any persons requiring description of towns in South of Ireland can have same on application to the Honorary Local Secretaries.

FRANCIS FOWKE,

General Secretary of the British Medical Association.  
161a, Strand, London, May 22nd, 1879.

#### COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL: NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Committee of Council will be held at the offices of the Association, 161A, Strand, on Wednesday, the 9th day of July next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

FRANCIS FOWKE,

161A, Strand, London, June 12th, 1879. General Secretary.

#### SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of the above Branch will be held at the Town Hall, Cardiff, on Tuesday, July 1st, at 1 P.M.

The following papers have been already promised.

1. Cases of Scarlet Fever. By D. J. Williams, Esq., Llanelly.
2. A Fatal Case of Inflammation of the Brain from a Blow on the Skull. By E. Rice Morgan, Esq., Morriston.
3. Is Croup Diphtheria? By Dr. T. D. Griffiths, Swansea.
4. Aids in Case-Taking. By Dr. Sheen, Cardiff.

Dinner at the Philharmonic Restaurant at 4 P.M.

ANDREW DAVIES, M.D.

ALFRED SHEEN, M.D.

Honorary Secretaries.

Cardiff, June 16th, 1879.

#### NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held in the Board Room of the Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne, on Tuesday, July 1st, at 3 P.M.

The members will dine together at the Douglas Hotel, Grainger Street West, at 5 P.M. Tickets, exclusive of wine, 6s. 6d. each.

T. W. BARRON, M.B., Honorary Secretary.

Durham, June 14th, 1879.

#### EDINBURGH BRANCH.

THE annual general meeting of this Branch will be held at 5, St. Andrew Square, on Thursday, July 3rd, at 4 o'clock P.M.

CHAS. E. UNDERHILL, Honorary Secretary.

8, Coates Crescent, Edinburgh, June 20th, 1879.

#### BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the County Hotel, Carlisle, on Friday, July 25th, at One o'clock.

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

RODERICK MACLAREN,

JOHN SMITH,

Honorary Secretaries.

Carlisle, June 24th, 1879.

#### METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.

AN adjourned general meeting of this Branch will be held at the rooms of the Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, on Wednesday, July 16th, at 8 P.M. precisely; when the discussion on Medical Education will be resumed.

ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D.

W. CHAPMAN GRIGG, M.D.

Hon. Secs.

57, Doughty Street, W.C., June 26th, 1879.

#### NORTHERN COUNTIES OF SCOTLAND BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Elgin, on Thursday, the 10th July next, at Twelve noon; Dr. NORRIS MACKAY, Elgin, President.

Discussion on Croup and Diphtheria.

Gentlemen who are desirous to read papers, or to bring any subject before the meeting, are requested to give notice to the Secretary not later than July 7th.

WILLIAM BRUCE, Honorary Secretary.

Dingwall, June 24th, 1879.

## BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

THE sixth ordinary meeting of the session was held at the York House, Bath, on Thursday, May 29th—Dr. HENSLEY, President, in the chair. There were also present thirty-two members and two visitors.

*New Member.*—E. Blacker, Esq., of Midsomer Norton, was elected a member of the Association and of the Branch.

*Invitation from the Gloucestershire Branch.*—The Gloucestershire Branch sent a cordial invitation to this Branch to hold a social gathering, at Chepstow, in the month of July.

Mr. PRICHARD moved, and Mr. MASON seconded, a resolution, accepting the invitation; and a further resolution was passed, authorising the Secretaries to make all necessary arrangements. At the same time, regret was expressed that the Bath and Bristol Branch, having its attention so fully occupied in arranging for the annual meeting of the Association, were unable to make the proposal in its turn.

*Treatment of Pleuritic Effusion.*—The evening was devoted to a discussion on the treatment of the various forms of pleuritic effusion, which was opened by Dr. MARKHAM SKERRITT.

## NORTH OF IRELAND BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE first annual general meeting of this Branch was held, in the Belfast Royal Hospital, on Thursday, May 22nd, at twelve o'clock noon. The President, JAMES CUMING, M.D., F.R.C.S., occupied the chair.

*Report.*—The Council's report, which was read, showed that one hundred and one members of the profession had joined the Branch during the year. Five meetings of Council were held, and two meetings of members. The first meeting of members was held on July 5th, 1878, when Mr. John Fagan introduced several patients on whom he had performed excision of the knee-joint, read notes of the cases, and showed the results. Dr. W. Aickin exhibited a new and improved vaginal speculum, and also an *écraseur* for the removal of uterine polypi. Dr. John Moore read a paper on the necessity of further legislative control of criminal habitual drunkards. The second meeting of the Branch was held on January 17th, 1879. At this meeting, Dr. J. K. Maconchy submitted a statement on the present position of infirmity surgeons who are also surgeons of gaols, and a series of resolutions were passed on the subject. Dr. J. W. Browne introduced a patient in whom he had successfully ligatured a ruptured popliteal artery. Mr. J. Fagan introduced a patient on whom he had performed excision of the knee-joint, with good results. Dr. Bryce Smith read notes of a case of lithotomy, and exhibited a set of instruments, with the most recent improvements, for the removal of stone from the bladder; and also a set of midwifery instruments. Dr. James Smith exhibited an improved cephalotribe. The report referred to the recent formation in Galway of a Branch for the West of Ireland, thus completing the organisation by the establishment of a Branch in each of the provinces of Ireland.

*New Members.*—The following were elected members of the Branch: Robert Esler, M.D.; Charles E. Hetherington, M.B.; R. C. Parke, Esq.; James Graham, M.D.

*Officers and Council.*—The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. *President:* J. K. Maconchy, M.B., F.R.C.S.I., Surgeon County Down Infirmary. *Vice-Presidents:* J. W. T. Smith, M.D., Senior Physician Belfast Royal Hospital; Abraham Kidd, M.D., F.R.C.S. Ed. *Representatives of the Branch on the Council of the Association:* James Cuming, M.D. (President of the Branch); J. K. Maconchy, M.B.; Sir William Miller, Knt., M.D.; R. F. Dill, M.D. *Members of Branch Council:* W. Aickin, M.D.; F. E. Beck, Esq.; J. W. Browne, M.D.; Alexander Dempsey, M.D.; Archd. Dunlop, M.D.; John Fagan, Esq.; Alex. Filson, M.D.; H. Frazer, Esq.; Geo. Gray, M.D.; Alex. Harkin, M.D.; Sir William Miller, Knt., M.D.; Wm. McKeown, M.D.; Brice Smyth, M.B.; Edward Thompson, M.B.; Wm. Thetford, Esq.

*President's Address.*—The PRESIDENT delivered an address. It was resolved: "That the best thanks of the meeting be given to the President for his able address."

*Meetings.*—It was resolved: "That meetings of the Branch be held on the first Fridays of September, December, and March; and that arrangements for the annual meeting be made at the meeting in March."

*Representation on the General Medical Council.*—A petition to Parliament, which had been forwarded by the Chairman of the Reform Committee of the Association, in favour of direct representation of the profession on the General Council, was submitted to the meeting. It was resolved: "That, in the opinion of this Branch, there should be direct representation of the profession on the General Medical Council; and that the President and Honorary Secretary be instructed to convey such opinion to Members of Parliament representing constituencies throughout the North of Ireland."

*The Committee of Council and the Branches.*—Communications re-

ceived from Dr. Balthazar Foster, soliciting suggestions as to how the relations of the Committee of Council with the Council and the Branches of the Association may be improved, were submitted to the meeting.

The members afterwards lunched together at the Imperial Hotel. The meeting was altogether most successful.

## SOUTH-WESTERN BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Devon and Exeter Hospital, Exeter, on June 4th.

*An Address* on the Progress of Surgery during the past Fifty Years was delivered by the President, Mr. ARTHUR CUMMING.

*A Vote of Thanks* to the President for his address, and a request that it might be published, were unanimously carried.

*Annual Meeting in 1880.*—It was decided that the annual meeting in 1880 should be held at Plymouth, under the presidency of Dr. R. Hogarth Clay.

*New Members.*—The following gentlemen were elected members of the South-Western Branch: Francis Stephenson, M.B., Bradninch; Arthur W. Kempe, Esq., Exeter; William Connor, Esq., Dunsford; Charles Fenwick, Esq., Teignmouth; Arthur B. Ewen, Esq., Exmouth; William Budd, Esq., Exeter; and W. Powell, M.B., Torquay.

*Council of the Branch.*—The following gentlemen were elected on the Branch Council: Henry Greenway, Esq., Plymouth; W. Square, jun., Esq., Plymouth; W. P. Swain, Esq., Devonport; Ellis F. Thorold, M.D., Plymouth; Connell Whipple, Esq., Plymouth.

*Representatives in the General Council.*—The following gentlemen were elected to represent the Branch in the General Council: C. Aldridge, M.D., Plymouth; John Elliot, Esq., Kingsbridge; H. S. Hounsell, M.D., Torquay; G. Jackson, Esq., Plymouth; G. J. Saunders, M.D., Exminster; John Thompson, M.D., Bideford; John Woodman, Esq., Exeter.

*Secretary.*—Mr. L. H. Tosswill having announced his intention of resigning his office of Honorary Secretary, it was unanimously decided that Dr. Sutherland Rees Philipps, of Wonford House, Exeter, be elected in his place; and that a vote of thanks be awarded to the retiring Secretary for his services.

*A Paper* on the Topography of Sierra Leone was read by Hughes Taylor, Esq., of Sierra Leone.

*Dinner, etc.*—Previous to the meeting, the members of the Branch were most hospitably entertained at luncheon by the President-elect, Mr. Arthur Cumming; and, subsequently to the meeting and to a visit to the show-yard of the Bath and West of England Agricultural Society, the members and their friends, to the number of forty, dined together at the Rougemont Hotel, Exeter, thus ending one of the most successful meetings of the South-Western Branch.

## SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SUSSEX DISTRICT.

A MEETING of the above district was held on Friday, May 30th, at the New Kentish Hotel, Tunbridge Wells; W. SATCHELL, Esq., in the Chair. Seventeen members and two visitors were present.

*Communications.*—1. Mr. SATCHELL related a case of Pompholyx, which recurred for five years consecutively. The case was characterised by extreme anorexia. Next to no liquids were drunk. There were very scanty secretion of urine and suppression of the catamenia. The case, which sometimes assumed a form like rupia, was uninfluenced by treatment, but ultimately ceased to recur.

2. Dr. WARDELL read a paper on Aneurism of the Left Ventricle.

3. Dr. RANKING read notes of cases of Uræmia treated by Infusion of Jaborandi and the Subcutaneous Injection of Pilocarpine. Strikingly beneficial results followed.

4. Mr. MANSER gave particulars of a case of Hydrocele cured by the injection of equal parts of spirits of wine and port wine, after iodine and port wine alone had repeatedly failed.

5. Dr. RANKING showed a Fibrous Polypus of the Uterus, which he had removed by Dr. Atthill's *écraseur*; and exhibited and explained the latter.

*Dinner* took place at the hotel, Mr. W. Satchell filling the chair.

The Next Meeting will be held at Hastings, in September. Dr. Allen was nominated to fill the chair.

At the annual meeting of the Victoria Philosophical Institute, Dr. Radcliffe gave an address on the Present Position of Physical Science. Sir Joseph Fayer and Dr. Hawkins took part in the proceedings. This Society, which aims at the reconciliation of scientific inquiry with theological records, numbers now 785 members. The report states, however, that to carry on the present work 1,000 members are required.

## MEDICAL NEWS.

**APOTHECARIES' HALL.**—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, June 19th, 1879.

Bateman, Alfred George, The Chesnut, Canonbury  
Bowlby, Anthony Alfred, 75, Warrington Crescent  
Concricao, Philip de, Bombay  
Kirsopp, Thomas, Hexham  
O'Dowd, John, Netherton, Dudley  
Tennant, Wm. Drysdale, Kensington

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

Breach, James Henry, King's College Hospital

### MEDICAL VACANCIES.

*Particulars of those marked with an asterisk will be found in the advertisement columns.*

THE following vacancies are announced:—

**ARMAGH UNION**—Medical Officer for Keady Dispensary District, at a salary of £120 per annum, with £20 as Sanitary Officer, exclusive of Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on July 2nd.

\***BECKETT HOSPITAL and DISPENSARY, Barnsley**—House-Surgeon. Salary, £150 per annum, with apartments, gas, and attendance. Applications to the Honorary Secretary.

\***BIRKENHEAD BOROUGH HOSPITAL**—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £60 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications to be made on or before July 1st.

\***BRECON INFIRMARY**—Resident House-Surgeon. Salary, £120 per annum, with furnished apartments, etc. Applications on or before July 10th.

\***CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Manchester**—Assistant Non-resident Surgeon and Registrar. Salary, £60 per annum.

**DORCHESTER COUNTY ASYLUM**—Second Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, etc. Applications to the Medical Superintendent.

**ENNISCORTHY UNION**—Medical Officer for Oulart Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum, £15 as Sanitary Officer, with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on the 24th instant. (A free house for the Medical Officer, who is required to perform all the duties accruing under the Public Health Act, without extra fees.)

**FARINGDON UNION**—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator. Salary, £60 per annum. Applications on or before July 1st.

\***INFIRMARY FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST AND THROAT, Margaret Street, W.**—Visiting Physician. Applications to the Secretary.

**HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Soho Square**—House-Physician. Applications to be made on or before July 8th.

\***HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Soho Square**—Assistant-Physician. Applications to the Secretary on or before July 8th.

\***KING'S COLLEGE**—Professor of Comparative Anatomy.—Demonstrator in Physiology. For particulars, apply to the Secretary.

\***MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL**—Physician and Surgeon; Assistant-Physician and Assistant-Surgeon.

**OLDCASTLE UNION**—Medical Officer for Crossakiel Dispensary District, at a salary of £120 per annum; £15 as Sanitary Officer; with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on July 4th.

\***ST. LUKE'S HOSPITAL**—Clinical Assistant. Applications to be made on or before July 3rd.

\***SALOP FORESTERS' MEDICAL AID ASSOCIATION**—Surgeon. Salary, £160 per annum.

**SLIGO DISTRICT LUNATIC ASYLUM**—Assistant Medical Officer, who shall act as Apothecary, at a salary of £100 per annum and rations, or £50 in lieu of rations, with furnished apartments, fuel, light, etc. Candidates must be unmarried, possess a double medical qualification, and hold a diploma in Midwifery. Election on July 2nd.

\***TRURO UNION**—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for St. Agnes District. Salary, £35 per annum, exclusive of the fees as allowed by the Local Government Board.

\***WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL**—Medical Registrar. Salary, £40 per annum.

\***WILTS COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM**—Salary, £110 per annum, with residence, attendance, etc. Applications on or before July 23rd.

### MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

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

CARMICHAEL, James, M.D., appointed an extra Physician to the Edinburgh Royal Hospital for Sick Children, *vice* C. E. Underhill, M.D.

COOMBE, G. A., M.R.C.S.E., appointed Honorary Medical Officer to the Southport Infirmary, *vice* J. Segar, M.D., resigned.

MCMICOLL, E. D., L.R.C.P. Edin., appointed Honorary Medical Officer to the Southport Infirmary, *vice* D. Elias, M.D., resigned.

\*UNDERHILL, C. E., M.B., appointed Ordinary Physician to the Edinburgh Royal Hospital for Sick Children, *vice* James Cumming, M.D., deceased.

### 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 announcements.*

#### BIRTHS.

**EDWARDES.**—On the 24th instant, at Oakley Square, N.W., the wife of W. Whitfield Edwardes, Esq., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., of a son.  
**WOLFENDEN.**—On June 21st, at The Retreat, Tutbury, the wife of J. W. Wolfenden, L.R.C.P., etc., of a son.

#### DEATHS.

**TREHARNE, John, M.B., C.M., B.Sc. Edin.,** aged 32, at Bournemouth, on June 20th.  
\***WOOD, Samuel, F.R.C.S. Eng., F.S.A.,** Consulting Surgeon to the Salop Infirmary, aged 67, on June 10th.

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.**—For the election of Fellows into the Council of the College, on Thursday next, the following candidates have been nominated: 1. Richard Barwell, Esq., of the Charing Cross Hospital by Sir Joseph Fayrer and Messrs. Hird, C. Heath, Bellamy, Cadge, and Godlee. 2. Thomas Bryant, Esq., of Guy's Hospital, proposed by Sir H. Thompson and Messrs. Cock, Hutchinson, C. Heath, Smith, and W. D. Husband. 3. John Wood, F.R.S., of King's College Hospital, nominated by Messrs. Hutchinson, Teale, Cadge, Callender, C. Heath, and Durham. 4. Henry Power, Esq., of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, nominated by Messrs. H. Harris, Bartleet, Willett, Macnamara, Owen, and Durham. 5. Jonathan Hutchinson, Esq., of the London Hospital, nominated by Messrs. Calender, Bowman, Mac Cormac, C. Heath, West, and Lister. 6. Mr. T. Spencer Wells offers himself for re-election, and no doubt will be deservedly successful. The election will take place at two o'clock, provided that fifteen be present, and will be kept open for three hours, unless for the space of ten minutes, after notice by the chairman of his intention to close the ballot, no Fellow shall actually ballot, in which case the chairman shall declare the ballot closed, although the three hours may not have expired. The successful candidates will be called on to pay a fee of twenty guineas on their admission as members of the Council. At the annual festival of the Fellows, which will take place the same evening, at the Albion Tavern, Mr. John Gay, a member of the Council, will take the chair.

**MUNIFICENT DONATION.**—Dr. Abram Du Bois of New York has presented to the Academy of Medicine of that city the sum of five thousand dollars for the purpose of enlarging and improving the present building. The Academy, in recognition of his generosity, has elected him an honorary member, and has ordered his name to be enrolled on the list of benefactors of the institution.

At a recent meeting of the Guardians of the Enniscorthy Union, it was resolved to reduce the salary of the medical officer of the Enniscorthy Fever Hospital from £60 to £40 per annum.

A CHILD, eighteen months old, was recently killed at Kilmoganny, in consequence of a punctured wound received on the temple from a gamecock kept by the father of the deceased.

**PRESENTATION TO MR. J. J. LOUGH.**—A number of gentlemen, including Lord Farnham, have recently presented an address and testimonial to J. J. Lough, M.B., on his resignation as Medical Officer of Ballyjamesduff Dispensary, county Cavan, which post he had satisfactorily held for the past eight years. The address stated that the subscribers felt it incumbent on them to express their appreciation of the zeal, fidelity, and efficiency which Mr. Lough had at all times displayed in the discharge of his onerous duties, and to show their respect for his high character and reputation.

**DURING** the first quarter of this year the death toll of Hastings was at the satisfactorily low rate of 15.33 per 1000. Twenty-one of the total number of 150 deaths occurred amongst visitors. Measles caused 1 death in the quarter; scarlatina, 1; diphtheria, 2; whooping-cough, 1; and enteric fever, 1 death.

On the 26th instant, an illuminated address was presented to Surgeon Butcher of Dublin by the Tralee Bay Lifeboat Committee on the occasion of the boat being launched, the gentleman named having contributed the entire expense of the undertaking.

A GOOD deal of fever is prevalent at present in the Enniscorthy Union; and Dr. Carmody, medical officer of Killan dispensary district, is at present suffering from an attack of enteric fever.

**VACCINATION.**—Dr. Tolerton of Sherston-Magna, Malmesbury, has received a Government award for efficient vaccination in his district.

On Saturday last, Dr. Langdon Down entertained a large number of friends at Normansfield, Hampton Wick, upon the occasion of the opening of a new wing and recreation-hall by the Earl of Devon. We understand that the establishment now affords accommodation for the reception of two hundred children.

## OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

**MONDAY**.....Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 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.—St. Mark's, 2 P.M.—Cancer Hospital, Brompton, 3 P.M.

**WEDNESDAY**..St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Mary's, 1.30 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—King's College, 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.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Peter's, 2 P.M.

**THURSDAY**...St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 P.M.—Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Hospital for Women, 2 P.M.—London, 2 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.—St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department), 2 P.M.—East London Hospital for Children, 2 P.M.

**SATURDAY**...St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—Royal Free, 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.

## HOURS OF ATTENDANCE AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

**CHARING CROSS**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th., 1; Dental, M. W. F., 9.30.

**GUY'S**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, exc. Tu., 1.30; Obstetric, M. W. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 1.30; Tu. F., 12.30; Ear, Tu. F., 12.30; Skin, Tu., 12.30; Dental, Tu. Th. F., 12.

**KING'S COLLEGE**.—Medical, daily, 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p., M. W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th. S., 1; Ear, Th., 2; Skin, Th., Throat, Th., 3; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

**LONDON**.—Medical, daily exc. S., 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30 and 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 1.30; o.p., W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 9; Ear, S., 9.30; Skin, W. 9; Dental, Tu. 9.

**MIDDLESEX**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; o.p., W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 8.30; Ear and Throat, Tu., 9; Skin, F., 4; Dental, daily, 9.

**ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, M. Th. S., 2; o.p., W. S., 9; Eye, Tu. W. Th. S., 2; Ear, M., 2.30; Skin, F., 1.30; Larynx, W., 11.30; Orthopaedic, F., 12.30; Dental, F., 9.

**ST. GEORGE'S**.—Medical and Surgical, M. Tu. F. S., 1; Obstetric, Tu. S., 1; o.p., Th., 2; Eye, W. S., 2; Ear, Tu., 2; Skin, Th., 1; Throat, M., 2; Orthopaedic, W., 2; Dental, Tu. S., 9; Th., 1.

**ST. MARY'S**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.15; Obstetric, Tu. F., 9.30; o.p., Tu. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 1.30; Ear, W. S., 2; Skin, Th., 1.30; Throat, W. S., 12.30; Dental, W. S., 9.30.

**ST. THOMAS'S**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 2; o.p., W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; o.p., daily except Sat., 1.30; Ear, Tu., 12.30; Skin, Th., 12.30; Throat, Tu., 12.30; Children, S., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1 to 2; Obstetric, M. Tu. Th. F., 1.30; Eye, M. W. F., 2; Ear, S., 1.30; Skin, Tu., 1.30; S., 9; Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.3.

**WESTMINSTER**.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. F., 3; Eye, M. Th., 2.30; Ear, Tu. F., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

## MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

**WEDNESDAY**.—Obstetrical Society of London, 8 P.M. No Specimens will be exhibited. Adjourned discussion on the Forceps.

## LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

**COMMUNICATIONS** respecting editorial matters should be addressed to the Editor, 161, Strand, W.C., London; those concerning business matters, non-delivery of the JOURNAL, etc., should be addressed to the General Manager, at the Office, 161, Strand, W.C., London.

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

**AUTHORS** desiring reprints of their articles published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, are requested to communicate beforehand with the General Secretary and Manager, 161, Strand, W.C.

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

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

**WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE TO RETURN MANUSCRIPTS NOT USED.**

**HUNTERIAN MUSEUM**.—The preparations, etc., about to be added to the museum of the College of Surgeons, are now on view in the theatre of that institution, where you can see those presented by your friends; but on Thursday next, it will be reserved exclusively for those attending the election.

**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, 161, Strand, London, and not to the Editor.

## MEDICAL TITLES.

**SIR**.—The following observations by Professor Struthers on the title "Physician" are so much to the point, and so confirmatory of your remarks on the same subject, that you may like to insert them in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.—I am, etc., Bristol, June 14th, 1879.

J. GAGE PARSONS, M.D., L.R.C.P.

After some judicious remarks on the distinction between the *authority* to use a title and the mere liberty, right, or power to use it (inasmuch as he "cannot be hindered from doing so), he goes on to say: "The use of titles, as distinguished from qualifications, has arisen from the length or unsuitableness of the qualifications to serve as convenient pass-words between the profession and the public, and their popular and technical acceptations do not always correspond. You will not get the public to call you Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians or Licentiate of the Royal College of Surgeons, but physician, surgeon, or physician and surgeon are easily said. . . . It would be no easy thing to introduce a new title into any profession, even were it appropriate; nor is there any occasion for this, as the titles, 'Physician and Surgeon' are at once appropriate, well known, and honourable. The tendency of the public to economy of phrase has led it to go farther and to speak of all of us as 'Doctors'; but as this term is applied to members of other professions—in divinity, in law, and in philosophy, as well as in physic—it wants distinctive professional character. Whatever the public may style them, the titles 'Physician and Surgeon' placed after their name by those who hold their qualifications from the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons are not only the best among professional titles and well known, but serve to distinguish them from the members of other professions, to indicate that they are qualified to practise both medicine and surgery, and at the same time that they have entered the profession through the portals and by the double authority of the two representative colleges of the profession. The Licentiate of the College of Physicians is 'Physician' in the same way as the Licentiate of the College of Surgeons is 'Surgeon'. And these titles are peculiarly theirs; for, although others may practise as (and call themselves) physicians and surgeons, in the technical sense surgeons are those connected with the Royal College of Surgeons; physicians, in like manner, those connected with the Royal College of Physicians."—The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons; an Address by John Struthers, M.D., F.R.C.P., Professor of Anatomy in the University of Aberdeen, 1861.—Permit me to add, that sometimes collegiate physicians are called "non-graduate physicians". This is certainly a misnomer, since "Licentiate" (from *licet*, it is lawful) is one of the four ancient degrees, and intermediate, as an honour, between that of Bachelor and Doctor. See Chambers, art. "Licentiate".—J. G. P.

**D. (Bournemouth)**.—The question is one of merely elementary Latin grammar, which we should have thought any schoolboy of the lowest Latin form could solve. It speaks ill for "preliminary education" when "a discussion" arises among medical practitioners where the last line of a prescription should be written *B aquam ad 3j*, or *aqua*! Surely, the mere statement of the question affords the answer.

## NEW HERNIA-KNIFE.

**SIR**.—Since the publication of my description of a new form of hernia-knife in the JOURNAL for June 21st, I have heard from my friend Dr. Anthony H. Corley that some years since he invented an instrument upon the same principle as, and very like, the knife figured in my paper. Dr. Corley, in a communication to the late *Irish Hospital Gazette* for April 1st, 1873, alluded to his knife, which was then in the maker's hands, but as his ideas were not exactly carried out in the construction of the instrument, he laid it by, intending to visit London, where he could have it made according to his wishes. I need hardly add that I had not the slightest knowledge of Dr. Corley's invention when I devised the instrument made by Messrs. Fannin and Co., and published a description of it in the columns of your JOURNAL. Now I feel very great pleasure in claiming for Dr. Corley a full share of whatever credit may appertain to the inventor of such an instrument as the new form of hernia-knife.—I am, sir, yours faithfully, P. J. HAYES, F.R.C.S.E.

20, Westland Row, Dublin, June 24th, 1879.

**OBLIQUE**.—We have repeatedly expressed our opinion in favour of provident dispensaries, provided they are conducted on accepted principles, with the proper apparatus, a responsible lay chairman, committee, treasurer, etc., with audited accounts, and under rules such as those approved of and published by the Charity Organisation Society in their pamphlet on the subject, which may be procured on application to C. S. Loch, Secretary of the Charity Organisation Society, Buckingham Street, Strand.

## SANITARY WORK IN HOUSES.

The following appears in the daily papers of June 19th, signed by Ernest Hart, Chairman of the Council of the National Health Society, 44, Berners Street, W.

Having in view the domestic dangers to health arising from imperfect workmanship by plumbers and the use of improper so-called "sanitary appliances", the Council of the National Health Society have taken into consideration the most practical means of striking at the root of these serious evils. The conviction that a want of knowledge by working men of the elementary laws and application of the laws of sanitary science is a chief cause of these defects, has led the committee to the conclusion that great good to the community would ensue from the practical teaching of elementary sanitary science to workmen actually engaged in building our houses. The society proposes to organise a series of lectures and demonstrations to working plumbers. At the close of each series of lectures, handsome money prizes would be awarded to those who gave the best evidence of having profited by the teaching. The National Health Society have reason to believe that not only would the lectures be very numerously attended, but that the matter will become one of general discussion in the workshops. Such a movement can hardly fail to be of great public benefit. The committee, therefore, venture to hope that you will kindly lend your powerful aid in making widely known their proposal, with a view to raising at once the requisite funds.

**DR. HARRIS (Redruth)**.—A metropolitan Fellow wishes to remind this gentleman, who last week suggested that "It would be well for each provincial Fellow to endeavour to place Fellows from the country into the Council, and to carry this on from year to year", that already a fourth of the Council are provincial Fellows, as Mr. Hancock of Andover, Mr. Le Gros Clark, F.R.S., of St. Leonard's-on-Sea (both ex-presidents of the College), Dr. Humphry, F.R.S., of Cambridge, Mr. Baker of Birmingham, Mr. Wheelhouse of Leeds, and Mr. Lund of Manchester.



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

**THE CASE OF THOMAS MILLERCHIP.**

Sir,—I shall feel obliged by your publishing the subjoined.

Dear Sir,—I have the pleasure to enclose P.O. order for £3 3s., towards the fund being raised on behalf of Mr. Millerchip, whose most unjust punishment should stir the hearts of all right thinking members of society, and evoke a sympathy in the form of a substantial pecuniary token from members of all grades and positions who, like myself, owe a debt of gratitude to the first profession in the world. An acknowledgment in the next issue of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL will oblige, yours faithfully,

J. ROGERS, Esq., M.D.

H. HUDDLESTONE.

The under-mentioned sums have been received since my last.

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Dr. Norman Kerr, London .. ..	1	1	0
Mr. Lennox Browne, London .. ..	1	1	0
Dr. Boulton, Horncastle .. ..	1	1	0
O. L. M. O., Bromyard .. ..	1	1	0
Mr. Adams, Bungay .. ..	0	10	6

Mr. Millerchip was discharged from Warwick Gaol on the 6th instant, nine days before the term of his sentence expired, no reason being assigned for his premature release. I regret to have to state that he is now absolutely penniless, and must begin the world afresh.—Yours obediently,

JOSEPH ROGERS.

33, Dean Street, Soho, June 25th, 1879.

**ENQUIRER (Bradford).—**Dr. Sieveking has written a manual on medical insurance, which is published by J. and A. Churchill.

**VACCINATION IN SCOTLAND.**

Sir,—I should like to call attention to two points in the carrying out of the Vaccination Act in Scotland. The limit allowed to parents for getting their children vaccinated has been fixed at six months; and as they seldom have it done before the last month, that is the age at which the majority apply to a medical man, I cannot help thinking that this period might with benefit be reduced to four months, as I believe that a child is generally in a better condition at that age for vaccinating than two months later, and cannot see why in England children should be compelled to be vaccinated before three months while in Scotland they should be given six months.

The want of inspection is a great drawback to vaccination being efficiently carried out; and there is a probability that, according to the law of "survival of the fittest," vaccination will become extinct, for, according to most mothers, the fitter is the man who only puts on one pock, and the "fittest" the man who makes that one a small one. If one pock be sufficient, then two must be one too many. There should surely be uniformity enforced in a matter of compulsion.—I enclose my card, and am, yours faithfully,

UNIFORMITY.

Mr. C. H. MATTHEWS (Bradford) is referred to the Students' Number of the JOURNAL, September 1878, for a full answer to all his queries.

**HÆMOSTATIC FORCEPS.**

Sir,—In the remarks on Forceps by Mr. Spencer Wells in your JOURNAL of the 21st instant, reference is made to Mr. Webber's antiligator forceps. Will you kindly allow us to state that we also made this instrument for Mr. Webber in 1859, and subsequently published it in 1866 in our Illustrated Catalogue, fig. 18, p. 16?—Yours faithfully,

S. MAW, SON, AND THOMPSON.

Aldersgate Street, London, June 25th, 1876.

**A QUESTION OF DIAGNOSIS.**

Sir,—The following case occurred in my practice a short time ago, without my being able to say with certainty what was the real nature of the case. Will you oblige me by bringing it under the notice of my professional brethren with the view of suggesting a name? I believe the disease has not been described by any author who has written upon the affections of new-born infants.

W. I., a boy nine months old, suffered at an early period after birth from diarrhoea; this, however, under treatment soon ceased, and the child became apparently strong and healthy. At the age of five months, he was seized with chronic bronchitis, from which he also recovered. Soon after this time, the mother remarked a symptom which she had not previously noticed, and alarmed her very much, viz., that the infant, on awakening from sleep, or immediately after, had the respiration suddenly suspended; the attack, however, soon went off, and was generally mild in the commencement, but after the lapse of some time, the paroxysms became more severe and frequent. The breathing was now completely suspended, the eyes fixed, hands cold, the thumbs contracted, excretions involuntary, the face expressive of great anxiety, pale, and at times purplish, and the body convulsively bent backwards. After one or two minutes, the child recovered from the attack, drew a few fine inspirations, and then uttered some painful sharp cries, after which he became gay, playful, and apparently well. There were no catarrhal symptoms present. The treatment pursued consisted of local blood-letting, cutaneous revulsives to the back and front of the chest, small doses of calomel and rhubarb, in addition to antispasmodic and other similar means, regulated of course by the strength and constitution of the child. This treatment at first seemed to be attended with beneficial effects; the paroxysms were suspended for one week, but soon returned with increased violence, even every one or two hours. The usual remedies were given without any amelioration, and after a lapse of two days, the child was carried off in a paroxysm between suffocation and apoplexy, without any convulsion.

I saw the child in the last attack. The disease was characterised by accessions of spasms in the air-passages, the respiration was completely suspended, and I observed only a wheezing, very fine, small, and imperfect inspiration, an embarrassed passage of the air through the rima glottidis, which was spasmodically contracted in the highest degree. The tone had a certain analogy with the crowing inspiration of whooping-cough, but it was much finer, higher, and less deep; the closest analogy I can find for it is in the spasm, which frequently attacks certain hysterical women. I also observed that, when the child was free from attack, the lumbricales and the abductors of the thumbs became spasmodically contracted, and gave the hand an appearance of deformity. The pulsation of the heart could scarcely be felt. No *post mortem* examination was allowed.

I shall feel obliged if some of the numerous readers of your valuable JOURNAL would give me their experience on the above case.—I am, sir, yours obediently,

Bridgend, June 9th, 1879.

A. I. V.

The following letters have been forwarded to the General Secretary, to whom all communications on matters of business should be addressed:—Mr. W. Bull, Stony Stratford; Dr. T. B. Carlyon, Ottery St. Mary; Mr. R. A. Clarke, Bolton; Mr. J. Blackshaw, Stockport; Mr. J. H. Evans, Neath; Dr. C. P. Coombs, Castle Cary; Mr. Cuthbertson, Droitwich.

**A. MURRAY.**—There are six candidates for the four vacancies. You can plump for any one candidate, which will, of course, only count as one vote; or you can give a vote to each of the four candidates. If you vote for more, your votes will be lost. Read the directions sent you by the Secretary.

**SEVERE PAIN FOLLOWING HERPES.**

Sir,—Will any of your correspondents inform me what should be done further in the following case?

The patient, aged 63, a sea-captain, chiefly engaged in the South American trade, retired about fifteen years ago, in consequence of bad health. He has, during the above period, resided on the east coast of Scotland, and has never been able to return to his sea-life. He had rheumatic fever when a young man; and after going to sea, he suffered from all the diseases incidental to southern climates. He never had venereal disease. His bowels never act without medicine. About three years ago, he had an attack of sciatica, which lasted with more or less severity for a year. About three months ago, he had an attack of shingles, which, under the usual treatment, healed perfectly in five weeks. The pain, however, which he felt when attacked, has never abated, and sometimes is most excruciating. For the pain, he has been treated with sedatives; and morphia, which has been administered in every form except subcutaneous injection, gives him relief for the time. Tonics and regulation of diet are properly attended to.

Any suggestions will greatly oblige yours, etc.,

F. E.

**B. C. G.**—Mr. William Clift, F.R.S., was the first conservator of the Hunterian Museum, an appointment he held from 1800 to 1849. He was succeeded by his distinguished son-in-law, Professor Owen, F.R.S., who, on his well-earned promotion to the British Museum, was succeeded by Professor Quekett, F.R.S. On his death, Mr. W. H. Flower, F.R.S., was appointed.

The price of the silver button described by Dr. Ogilvie Will in the last number of the JOURNAL is twelve shillings per dozen.

**COMMUNICATIONS, LETTERS, etc., have been received from:—**

Mr. T. Spencer Wells, London; Dr. Carpenter, Croydon; Dr. Wilks, London; Dr. Annington, Cambridge; Dr. Joseph Coats, Glasgow; Dr. Kelburne King, Hull; Mr. R. S. Fowler, Bath; Dr. Webb, Wirsbworth; Dr. Tidy, London; Dr. D. MacLagan, Edinburgh; Dr. Leet, Dublin; Dr. W. Roberts, Manchester; Dr. Joseph Rogers, London; Dr. H. Macnaughton Jones, Cork; Mr. P. Thornton, London; Dr. Thompson, Leamington; Mr. Nicholson, Hull; Dr. J. K. Spender, Bath; Dr. Collie, London; Dr. Grimshaw, Dublin; Dr. J. Wallace, Greenock; Dr. Finlayson, Glasgow; Dr. J. Ward Cousins, Southsea; Dr. Edis, London; Dr. C. Cameron, London; Mr. W. Jameson, Dublin; Dr. Glascott, Manchester; The Secretary of Apothecaries' Hall; Dr. P. H. Mules, Bowdon; Our Paris Correspondent; Dr. Mackey, Brighton; Dr. W. S. Greenfield, London; Mr. J. M. Cotterill, Edinburgh; W.; Mr. T. P. Harvey, St. Leonard-on-Sea; Mr. F. G. Baker, Birkenhead; B. V.; Dr. Lombe Athill, Dublin; Dr. Charles, Dublin; Mr. T. D. Acland, London; M.D.; Mr. H. T. Wood, London; Dr. A. Davies, Cardiff; The Registrar-General of Ireland; Dr. D. Leech, Manchester; Dr. B. Bramwell, Edinburgh; Uniformity; Mr. Berkeley Hill, London; The Registrar-General of England; Dr. A. S. Taylor, London; The Secretary of the Obstetrical Society; Dr. Millar, Dundee; Dr. T. F. Chavasse, Birmingham; Mr. T. Worlock, London; Dr. L. Thomas, London; Mr. J. J. Merriman, London; Editor of the *British Trade Journal*; Dr. Thomas C. Fox, London; Mr. C. H. Matthews, Bradford; Mr. J. Pearce, London; Mr. D. Williams, Liverpool; Our Correspondent with the Peshawur Valley Field Force; Dr. J. Whitmore, London; An Associate; Dr. Dowse, London; Dr. D. J. Brakenridge, Edinburgh; A Medical Officer, Peshawur; M.B.; Dr. J. E. Morgan, Manchester; Mr. F. J. Freeland, Chichester; Mr. W. Bull, Stony Stratford; Dr. Mackenzie, Glossop; Mr. H. L. Bernays, Woolwich; Dr. F. Beach, Darenth; Dr. R. Liveing, London; Mr. T. B. Carlyon, Falmouth; Messrs. Street and Co., London; Dr. Norman Kerr, London; M.B., M.A.; Mr. J. F. Horne, Barnsley; Mr. Arthur E. Barker, London; Mr. E. F. Cooper, London; Mr. J. K. Fowler, Cambridge; Dr. W. F. Clarke, Southborough; Mr. T. R. Jessop, Leeds; Martin Luther; Mr. F. H. Alderson, Hammersmith; The Secretary of the London Temperance Hospital; Dr. W. T. Law, Brompton; Dr. J. Styrap, Shrewsbury; Enquirer; Mr. G. Gaskoin, London; Mr. W. C. Wicks, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Dr. O'Connell, Chicago; Dr. Ogilvie Will, Aberdeen; Mr. C. Wahab, London; Dr. J. Russell, Birmingham; Mr. R. Harrison, Liverpool; Mr. J. Blackshaw, Stockport; Dr. L. Lewis, London; Our Edinburgh Correspondent; Mr. J. Woodman, Exeter; Dr. J. W. Moore, Dublin; Dr. McCall Anderson, Glasgow; Dr. Thos. Churton, Leeds; Our Dublin Correspondent; Dr. F. Barnes, London; Miles; Mr. G. Eastes, London; Mr. Burdett, Greenwich; Dr. Rutherford, Edinburgh; etc.

**BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED.**

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