

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS.

A LARGELY attended meeting of the Fellows of this College was held on Thursday, the 15th instant, to discuss the report of the delegates appointed to consider whether it is desirable that the Royal College of Physicians of London and the Royal College of Surgeons of England should endeavour to obtain power to confer a degree in medicine and surgery upon persons found by them, after a conjoint examination, to be duly qualified. The delegates had reported that it is desirable that the Colleges should have power to give such a degree, and that the examinations at present held by the two Colleges are equal in stringency to some at least of those which confer an university degree.

On the question of the adoption of this report, an interesting and animated debate took place, amongst the speakers being Professor Paget of Cambridge, Professor Greenfield of Edinburgh, Dr. Wilson Fox, Dr. West, and others; and finally, on the motion of Sir Andrew Clark, an adjournment for a week was adopted.

The adjourned debate took place on Thursday, the 22nd instant, and the attendance of Fellows was again very large. Sir A. Clark, in a powerful speech, supported the delegates' report. The discussion was continued by Drs. Moore, Duncan, Bristowe, and Moxon, Sir Risdon Bennett, Sir Henry Pitman, and the President. Finally, an amendment was moved by Dr. Wilks and seconded by Dr. Broadbent, with a view to make it clear that it was not the intention of the Colleges to confer the degree of M.D. upon those who had simply passed the conjoint examinations, but that some further requirement would be made. It was to the effect that it is desirable that persons examined by the Royal College of Physicians of London and the Royal College of Surgeons of England conjointly, and found duly qualified, either by the ordinary or by an additional examination, should have a degree in medicine and surgery conferred upon them. This amendment was carried by a large majority, and adopted as the formal resolution. It was referred to the Council for consideration of the steps to be taken to give it effect.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

NOTICE OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS FOR 1886.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

ANY qualified medical practitioner, not disqualified by any by-law of the Association, who shall be recommended as eligible by any three members, may be elected a member *by the Council* or by any recognised *Branch Council*.

Meetings of the Council will be held on January 20th, April 14th, July 14th, and October 20th, 1886. Candidates for election by the Council of the Association must send in their forms of application to the General Secretary, not later than twenty-one days before each meeting, namely, December 30th, 1885, and March 25th, June 24th, and September 30th, 1886.

Candidates seeking election by a Branch Council should apply to the secretary of the Branch. No member can be elected by a Branch Council, unless his name has been inserted in the circular summoning the meeting at which he seeks election.

FRANCIS FOWKE, General Secretary.

GRANTS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

THE Scientific Grants Committee of the British Medical Association desire to remind members of the profession engaged in researches for the advancement of medicine and the allied sciences, that they are empowered to receive applications for grants in aid of such research. Applications for sums to be granted at the next annual meeting should be made to the General Secretary, at the office of the Association, 161A, Strand, W.C. Applications must include details of the precise character and objects of the research which is proposed.

Reports of work done by the assistance of Association grants belong to the Association.

Instruments purchased by means of grants must be returned to the General Secretary, on the conclusion of the research in furtherance of which the grant was made.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

SOUTH INDIAN BRANCH.—Meetings are held in the Medical College, Madras, on the first Friday in the month, at 4.30 P.M. Gentlemen desirous of reading papers or exhibiting specimens are requested to communicate with the Honorary Secretary.—J. MAITLAND, M.B., Honorary Secretary, Madras.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH.—The twelfth annual general meeting of this Branch will be held at the Bell Medical Library, Cleveland Road, Wolverhampton, on Thursday, October 29th, 1886, at three o'clock in the afternoon. An address will be delivered by the President-elect, Mr. J. T. Hartill (Willenhall).—VINCENT JACKSON, General Secretary.—Wolverhampton, September 11th, 1885.

OXFORD AND DISTRICT BRANCH.—A meeting of this Branch will be held, in Oxford, on Wednesday, November 4th. Members who wish to communicate papers are requested to inform one of the secretaries (W. L. MORGAN, Esq., 42, Broad Street; Dr. DARRISBIRE, 60, High Street, Oxford), on or before October 19th.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.—The next meeting of this Branch will be held at Tredegar, on Thursday, October 29th. Members wishing to read papers, etc., should send titles to Dr. Sheen by October 19th, in order that the same may be inserted in the circulars.—A. SHEEN, M.D., Cardiff; D. ARTHUR DAVIES, M.B., Swansea, October 5th, 1885.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST SURREY DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this Branch will be held at the Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, on Thursday, October 29th, 1885, at 3.30 P.M.; Dr. Morton, of Guildford, in the chair. Dinner will be provided at 6 P.M., at the White Lion Hotel; charges, 7s., exclusive of wine. *Agenda*.—Mr. Henry Hugh Clutton: The Treatment of Cystic Bronchocele. Dr. J. Herbert Stowers: The Skin-diseases of Childhood, their Nature and Treatment. Dr. Morton will exhibit a case of Excision of the Hip-joint. Mr. Sells will exhibit a case of Excision of the Knee.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE BRANCH.—The annual meeting will be held, under the presidency of Dr. Needham, at 6.30 P.M., on Tuesday, November 17th, 1885, in the board-room of the General Hospital, Cheltenham. The supper will be at the Queen's Hotel at 8.30 P.M., tickets 3s. 6d., not including wine. *Agenda*.—1. Scrutiny of the voting papers, and declaration of the result. 2. Presentation of the balance-sheet. 3. Exhibition of a Case of Hemoglobinuria accompanied with Symmetrical Gangrene, with Notes and Remarks, by Dr. Wilson (Cheltenham). 4. Exhibition and Description of an Apparatus for Dry Antiseptic Vapour-Treatment of Wounds, and for Producing a Constant Antiseptic Air in Rooms, by T. S. Ellis, Esq. (Gloucester). 5. Some Remarks on the Frequent Non-Recognition of Glaucoma, by E. D. Bower, Esq. (Gloucester). 6. A New and Simple Form of Splint for Use After Tenotomy in Talipes, by G. Arthur Cardew, Esq. (Cheltenham).

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.—The first ordinary meeting of the session will be held at the Grand Pump Room Hotel, Bath, on Thursday evening, October 29th, at half-past seven o'clock, E. C. Board, M.R.C.S. Eng., President. *Communications*.—1. Notes of a Case of Crossed-Legged Progression Relieved by Operation: Mr. F. K. Green. 2. A Case of Strangulated Hernia: Dr. Kerr. 3. Some Surgical Affections of the Kidney, including Three Cases of Nephrotomy: Mr. N. C. Dobson. 4. A Case of Traumatic Aneurysm of the Brachial Artery Treated by the Operation of "Antyllus": Mr. R. J. H. Scott.—R. J. H. SCOTT and E. MARKHAM SKERRITT, Honorary Secretaries.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—The autumn meeting of the Branch will be held at the Crown Hotel, Esplanade, Scarborough, on Wednesday, November 4th, at 4 P.M. Members intending to read papers are requested to communicate at once with the secretary. Tickets for dinner (exclusive of wine), 6s. For bed, breakfast, and dinner (exclusive of wine), 12s. 6d.—ARTHUR JACKSON, Wilkinson Street, Sheffield.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH:
ORDINARY MEETING.

AN ordinary meeting of this Branch was held on October 8th; Dr. SAWYER, President, in the chair.

Papers.—The following were read.

1. Mr. Gamgee: The Treatment of Wounds.

2. Mr. Bennett May: Three cases of Nephrotomy and Nephrothotomy.

The late Dr. Russell.—On the motion of the PRESIDENT, the following resolution of condolence and sympathy with Mrs. Russell, and the members of her family, on the lamented death of Dr. Russell, was passed unanimously.

"That the members of the Birmingham and Midland Counties Branch of the British Medical Association record their sense of the great loss the medical profession has sustained in the lamented death of Dr. Russell; and that they desire to express their sincere sympathy with Mrs. Russell and her family in their bereavement."

REQUESTS AND DONATIONS.—The Charing Cross Hospital has received £211 from the Lady Mayoress and the Ladies' Committee, the proceeds of a ball on February 10th, in aid of the Extension Fund.—Mr. William Overend, Q.C., has bequeathed £100 to the Sheffield General Infirmary.—The Trustees of Prison Charities have given £52 10s. to the Invalid Asylum at Stoke Newington, and £21 to the North-Eastern Hospital for Children.

Hospitals situated outside Registration London), 3 in Bristol, 2 in Liverpool, 2 in Hull, 2 in Sunderland, 1 in Manchester, and 1 in Sheffield. The number of small-pox patients in the Metropolitan Asylum Hospitals, which was 859 at the beginning of the quarter under notice, steadily declined to 131 at the end of September. The number of new cases admitted weekly to these hospitals averaged 90 in July, 43 in August, and 34 in September.

The rate of infant mortality in the twenty-eight towns last quarter, measured by the proportion of deaths of children under one year of age to registered births, was equal to 185 per 1,000, against 185 and 242 in the corresponding periods of 1883 and 1884. While the rate in London was equal to 187 per 1,000, it averaged 184 per 1,000 in the twenty-seven provincial towns, and ranged from 134 in Oldham, 135 in Bolton, and 136 in Norwich, to 260 in Salford, 279 in Preston, and 307 in Leicester.

The causes of 897, or 2.1 per cent., of the 41,753 deaths registered in the twenty-eight towns during last quarter were not certified, either by registered medical practitioners or by coroners. The proportion of uncertified deaths in London did not exceed 0.9 per cent., while in the provincial towns it averaged 3.2, and ranged from 0.5 in Portsmouth and in Norwich, and 0.1 in Plymouth, to 6.4 in Sheffield, 8.1 in Oldham, and 9.2 in Halifax.

OBITUARY.

WILLIAM MICHELL CLARKE, M.R.C.S., L.S.A.,

CONSULTING SURGEON TO THE BRISTOL HOSPITAL.

By the sudden and unexpected death of this gentleman, which took place on October 2nd, Clifton has lost one of its best-known and most widely esteemed medical practitioners. Mr. Clarke, who, at the time of his decease, was fifty-six years of age, was born at Bodmin, and was one of a numerous family. He was at an early age apprenticed to a surgeon in the district in which his parents lived; and, after passing two or three years in the country, he entered at St. Bartholomew's Hospital, where he was known throughout his student's career as a hard-working and earnest pupil. He held none but the ordinary appointments, and was never house-surgeon. Immediately on passing the College of Surgeons, he obtained the office of house-surgeon to the General Hospital in Bristol; this was in the early days of the hospital, and Mr. Clarke, who worked eagerly and well, had very considerable difficulties to contend with, in consequence of the poor accommodation at that time possessed by the hospital. Some years later, when a magnificent and thoroughly equipped building had been provided, Mr. Clarke was elected one of the surgeons. This office he held for ten years, when, in consequence of the rapid increase in his practice, and the necessity he felt for providing for his large family of children, he was reluctantly compelled to resign the active duties of surgeon, and was by the governors appointed to the office of consulting surgeon. He never ceased to regret his early resignation as surgeon, and looked upon it as one of the mistakes of his life.

As a surgeon, he was careful and discriminating, a good operator, and had performed most of the great operations of surgery, including ovariectomy, which, at that time, was a comparatively rare operation. At the time of the reintroduction of excision of the knee-joint, Mr. Clarke performed that operation on three or four occasions, and wrote an elaborate article on the subject in the *BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL* of 1863, on account of which the late Sir William Fergusson wrote a highly complimentary letter to Mr. Clarke, though they were otherwise entirely unknown to each other; it was therefore the more gratifying to him that the opinions he then expressed met with the approval of so high an authority as Sir William Fergusson.

As consulting-surgeon, Mr. Clarke was most regular in his attendance on operation-days, and kept to the last a keen interest in all matters surgical.

Mr. Clarke was for some years lecturer on medical jurisprudence at the Bristol Medical School; but it was, perhaps, in private practice that he was most widely known; and at the time of his death he had one of the largest and best practices in Clifton and Bristol, and his loss is deeply felt by a large number of patients and friends. He won his success without extraneous aid, and solely by his own patient industry and thoroughly conscientious work. He was too busy to enter much into general society, but he was a constant attendant at the local medical meetings; and being a fluent speaker and a man of ripe experience and sound judgment, his remarks were always listened to with interest.

Few men were more unselfish with regard to acquiring patients;

in all his dealings, whether with them, or with the members of his own profession, he was honest, honourable, and straightforward. He was consequently held in the highest possible esteem by all his professional brethren. He was President of both the local medical societies at one time or another, namely, of the Bath and Bristol Branch of the British Medical Association ten years ago, and a few years later of the Bristol Medico-Chirurgical Society. He possessed the gift of charity in its widest sense, but in the more ordinary acceptance of the word, he was truly charitable, and gave away a considerable sum, in proportion to his income, in an unostentatious and quiet way.

MEDICAL NEWS.

ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND.—Autumn Examinations.—The following candidates have passed the undermentioned examinations respectively.

Degree of M.B.: Upper Pass Division.—R. Abraham, Belfast; aJ. Barry, Cork; aW. G. Bigger, Belfast, and St. Thomas's Hospital, London; aA. Buchanan, Belfast; aH. A. Clarke, Liverpool School of Medicine; aH. A. Cummins, Cork; aW. A. Fogarty, Cork; aJ. F. Haines, Cork; J. S. Lyttle, Belfast; aD. M'Donnell, Catholic University School of Medicine; aR. B. Mahon, Galway; W. R. Orr, Belfast; aJ. J. Redfern, Belfast; aB. Sumner, Liverpool. (Those marked thus (a) will be admitted to the Examination for Honours.)
Passed. A. Atock, Galway, and Carmichael College; W. S. H. Briand, Cork; J. Browne, Belfast; A. T. Drake, Carmichael College; M. P. Dunlea, Cork; J. F. Eagleton, Galway; J. Flynn, Catholic University School; B. Forde, Catholic University School; C. J. Humphries, Belfast; F. J. Keyes, Catholic University School; D. T. Lane, Cork; H. A. Logan, Belfast; G. J. Macdonald, Cork; D. J. M'Kinney, Belfast; J. Menary, Belfast; M. J. Moran, Catholic University School; S. Moore, Belfast; W. H. Munro, Galway and Belfast; J. W. Oliver, Belfast; W. R. Scott, Belfast; F. H. Sinclair, Belfast, and Trinity College, Dublin; T. D. Smyth, Belfast, and University of Edinburgh; E. A. Spiller, Belfast; A. S. Thompson, Belfast; H. Walter, Trinity College; W. A. Whitelegge, Cork.
Degree of Magister Artis Obstetricæ.—W. H. S. Briand, Cork; A. Buchanan, Belfast; H. A. Cummins, Cork; M. H. M. D. Curtin, Cork; W. A. Fogarty, Cork; J. F. Haines, Cork; J. S. Lyttle, Belfast; D. M'Donnell, Catholic University School of Medicine; J. Menary, Belfast; J. J. Redfern, Belfast; W. R. Scott, Belfast; A. S. Thompson, Belfast; W. A. Whitelegge, Cork.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES OF LONDON.—The following gentlemen passed their Examination in the Science and Practice of Medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, October 15th, 1885.

Gillett, John Alexander, Brooke, Norwich.
Jones, Arthur Meyrick, M.R.C.S., Wellow Vicarage, Romsey, Hants.
Nottingham, William Arthur John, 2, Stavordale Road, Drayton Park, Southsea.
Southern, John Acton, M.R.C.S., 57, Darnley Road, E.
Webb, Albert William, M.R.C.S., 11, Pyrland Road, Canonbury, N.

On the same day, the following gentlemen passed their examination in the Science and Practice of Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery, and received certificates to practise.

Finucane, Morgan Ignatius, Wilton House, Shaftesbury Road.
Girling, John, Wyvenhoe Lodge, Colchester.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following vacancies are announced.

ANCOATS HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY, Manchester.—Senior House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 per annum. Applications by October 31st.
ANCOATS HOSPITAL AND DISPENSARY, Manchester.—Junior Resident House-Surgeon. Salary, £50 per annum. Applications by October 31st.
CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Paddington Green, W.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £20 per annum. Applications by October 28th.
CITY OF LONDON HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE CHEST, Victoria Park, E.—Surgeon. Applications to T. Storrar-Smith, Secretary, 24, Finsbury Circus, E.C., by November 11th.
EASTERN COUNTIES' ASYLUM FOR IDIOTS, Colchester.—Resident Medical Attendant. Salary, £100 per annum, with furnished apartments in the asylum, board, and washing. Applications by November 7th.
GROSVENOR HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN, Vincent Square, Westminster.—Physician. Applications by November 9th.
GROSVENOR HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN, Vincent Square, Westminster.—Chloroformist. Applications by November 9th.
HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE THROAT, Golden Square, W.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications by November 17th.
HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Soho Square, W.—Pathologist and Registrar. Salary, 70 guineas per annum. Applications by October 31st.
JAFFRAY SUBURBAN BRANCH OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL, Gravelly Hill, near Birmingham.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £150 per annum. Applications by November 2nd.
MANCHESTER HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION.—Honorary Physician. Application by October 31st.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR THE PARALYSED AND EPILEPTIC, Queen Square, Bloomsbury.—House-Physician. Applications by November 5th.

NORTH LONDON HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION, Hampstead.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, together with board and rooms in the Hospital, £40 per annum. Applications by October 29th.

OWENS COLLEGE, Manchester.—Professor of Physiology. Applications by November 8th.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE, Galway.—Professorship of Natural Philosophy. Applications by October 28th.

RIPON DISPENSARY.—Resident House-Surgeon and Dispenser. Salary, £100 per annum. Applications to F. D. Wise.

ST. ASAPH UNION.—Medical Officer. Applications by October 28th.

TONGUE AND FARR PARISHES, Sutherland.—Medical Officer. Salary, £250 per annum. Applications to J. Box, House of Tongue, Sutherland, N.B., by October 31st.

WESTERN GENERAL DISPENSARY, Marylebone Road.—Honorary Surgeon-Oculist. Applications by November 7th.

WONFORD HOUSE HOSPITAL FOR THE INSANE, Exeter.—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £150, with board, lodging and attendance. Applications by October 26th.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

BLAKER, T. Frederick J., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Northumberland Branch of the Brighton, Hove, and Preston Dispensary.

BROWNE, Edgar A., M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed Lecturer on Ophthalmology in University College, Liverpool, vice T. Shadford Walker, M.R.C.S. Eng., deceased.

COLEMAN, H. W., L.R.C.P.E., M.R.C.S. Eng., Armley Lodge, Leeds, appointed Medical Officer of the Great Northern Railway Company's Sick Fund, vice James Braithwaite, M.D., resigned.

FETHERSTONHAUGH, Robert T., L.R.C.P. Lond., M.R.C.S. Eng., appointed House-Physician to the Hospital for Women, Soho Square, W., vice C. Couper Cripps, M.B., M.S., Durham, resigned.

HANDFIELD-JONES, Montagu, M.B. Lond., M.R.C.P., appointed Physician-Accoucher in Charge of Out-patients to St. Mary's Hospital.

MASON, David James, M.B., C.M. Edin., L.R.C.P. and S.E., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Royal National Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest, Ventnor.

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.

BIRTH.

EVANS.—On October 18th, at 21, Westbourne Villas, Harrow Road, W., the wife of William Thomas Evans, M.B., C.M. Edin., of a son.

MARRIAGES.

BOXER—JAY.—October 13th, at New Buckenham, Norfolk, William Monsell Boxer, Lieutenant 3rd Brigade Southern Division Royal Artillery, only surviving son of Major-General E. M. Boxer, R.A., F.R.S., of Upton, near Ryde, Isle of Wight, to Rosa, only daughter of Frederick Fitzherbert Jay, M.D., of Leamington, Warwickshire.

CHITTENDEN—LAKE.—At Tonge Church, near Sittingbourne, on October 14th, by the Rev. W. Fenn, Rector of Tankersley, Yorkshire, assisted by the Rev. J. H. Hodges, of Tonge, T. Hillier Chittenden, of Whitwell, Herts, third son of Andrew Chittenden, Esq., of Thornden, Dover, and Detling, Maidstone, to Helen Mary, eldest daughter of the late Thomas Lake, Esq., of Chekes Court, Tonge, Kent.

DEATHS.

CUMMING.—October 16th, at Richmond Barracks, Dublin, Robert Frederick Cumming, Surgeon Scots Guards, aged 30.

HUGHES.—October 10th, aged 40 years, Margaret Susan, the beloved wife of E. T. Hughes, M.R.C.S.E., Holyhead, and elder surviving daughter of Mr. H. G. Hughes, Market Street, Holyhead.

SIR ANDREW BARCLAY WALKER has been elected President, and Sir Henry Wilmot, M.P., Vice-President, of the Derbyshire Children's Hospital for the ensuing year.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.—Medical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Dr. J. Milner Fothergill: On a Presumptive Diagnosis of Gout. Dr. Isambard Owen: A Case of Asymmetry.

TUESDAY.—Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society. Mr. Morrant Baker and Mr. A. A. Bowlby: Diffuse Lipoma. Mr. Walter Rivington: A Case of Ligature of the Left Common Carotid Artery, wounded by a Fish-Bone which had penetrated the Pharynx.

WEDNESDAY.—Hunterian Society. Mr. Clement Lucas: On Inversion with Inflation in the Cure of Intussusception, with a Successful Case. Dr. Stowers will exhibit a Case of Rare Disease of Nails, and one of Erythematous Lupus. Mr. Cotman will exhibit Cases of "Dead" Fingers.—British Gynaecological Society, 8.30 P.M. Specimens will be shown. Dr. Heywood Smith and Mr. Lawson Tait: Hernia of Ovary. Dr. Imlach: Treatment of Prolapsed Ovaries by Oöphorraphy.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—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.—Hospital for Women, 2 P.M.

TUESDAY.....St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—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, 2.30 P.M.—St. Mark's, 2 P.M.—St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department), 4 P.M.—Cancer Hospital, Brompton, 2.30 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.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Great Northern Central, 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, 2.30 P.M.—National Orthopaedic, 10 A.M.—King's College, 3 to 4 P.M.

THURSDAY....St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Charing Cross, 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.—London, 2 P.M.—North-west London, 2.30 P.M.—Chelsea Hospital for Women, 2 P.M.

FRIDAY.....King's College, 2 P.M.—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.—West London 2.30 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.—Cancer Hospital, Brompton, 2.30 P.M.

HOURS OF ATTENDANCE AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

CHARGING 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. Tu. Th. F., 1.30; 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., 1; Ophthalmic Department, W., 1; Ear, Th., 2; Skin, Th., 2; Throat, Th. 8; 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, Th., 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, Tu. 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, Tu. 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, W., 2; Throat, Th., 2; Orthopaedic, W., 2; Dental, Tu. S., 9; Th., 1.

ST. MARY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.45; Obstetric, Tu. F., 9.30; o.p., M. Th., 9.30; Eye, Tu. F., 9.30; Ear, W. S., 9.30; Throat, M. Th., 9.30; Skin, Tu. F., 9.30; Electrician, Tu. F., 9.30; Dental, W. S., 9.30.

ST. THOMAS'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 2; o.p., W., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; o.p., daily, except Sat., 1.30; Ear, M., 12.30; Skin, W., 12.30; Throat, Tu. F., 1.30; 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. Tu. Th. F., 2; Ear, S., 1.30; Skin, W., 1.45; S., 9.15; Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.30.

WESTMINSTER.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. F., 2; Eye, M. Th., 2.30; Ear, Tu. F., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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

In order to avoid delay, it is particularly requested that all letters on the editorial business of the JOURNAL be addressed to the Editor at the office of the JOURNAL, and not to his private house.

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DYSDIPSOSIS OF FEET.
The following replies to "A Medical Man's" question at page 773 have been received.

DR. K. N. MACDONALD (Cupar Fife) thinks that boric or boracic acid will be found to be a remedy both suitable and effectual. It is mentioned in Dr. Lauder Brunton's text-book of *Pharmacology and Therapeutics*, page 408, as being "useful in checking the heat of perspiration"; and Dr. Williams, in his *Manual of Pharmacy, Materia Medica, and Therapeutics*, page 115, is still more emphatic; he recommends it as an "effectual remedy by dipping the stockings in a strong solution of the acid, and allowing them to dry before being applied."

MR. ARTHUR H. W. AYLING recommends washing the feet in tepid water every night and morning, and then dusting them freely with powdered oxide of zinc.

MR. J. C. S. writes: "I found it difficult to impress upon this patient the fact that the perspiration is not felt when soaked. The foul smell comes from that which has soaked into the socks and shoes, and has become decomposed. All treatment will be useless unless the patient changes his shoes and socks frequently, especially after walking, and he should burn, or otherwise dispose of his present stock of boots and shoes. As local remedies, a lotion of carbolic acid (1 to 30 or 40 of water), followed by the application of oxide of zinc powder, will be found very efficacious." F. R. C. S. also recommends "A Medical Man" to consult Dr. Neale's *Medical Digest*, where he will find references to a number of good remedies.

MORPHINE INJECTIONS DURING SICKLING.
M.D. asks: "Is there any one of the readers of the *BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL* who has seen any bad effects from sickling very young babies, the mother having at the same time injections of morphine of the usual strength made, perhaps eight in number? Are such cases mentioned in medical literature? I suppose these cases are rare, and a fatal result still rare. Any member knowing of a case of death will oblige by communicating it."

HOME FOR A HISTORICAL CASE.
SIR,—"If 'Hysteria' will write to Miss Seller, Netherfield, North Nibley, Gloucestershire, he will get the required information. Netherfield is not large, but compact and comfortable. It is situated on the side of the Cotswold Hills, having a western aspect. It is sheltered from the north and east winds. Its drainage is good; its water pure; its air delicious; its views extensive. Its scenery charming; its locality healthy; its surroundings wooded. It is a comfortable home, with good society and pleasant company."—I am, etc.

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THE "MEDICAL DIRECTOR" AND THE ARMY AND NAVY MEDICAL SERVICE.
SIR,—"I beg to suggest to the publishers of the annual *Medical Directory* that a seniority list of the army and navy medical services, transcribed from the *December Army and Navy List* of each year, might be published in each annual directory. Further, a seniority list of the volunteer surgeons would be very interesting. A few pages would suffice for such list."—Yours, etc.

TRICYCLES AND BICYCLES.
SIR,—"I shall be glad if some of your readers can give me, from experience, an opinion with respect to the comparative safety of the tricycle over the bicycle, or vice versa, especially with regard to the severity of the injuries occurring in the use of both."—Yours faithfully,
THOMAS GILFILLAN.

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