

## MEDICAL NEWS.

An epidemic of diphtheria and typhus has broken out at Aarhus, Jutland. The authorities have ordered all schools, both public and private, to be closed.

THE Paris Municipal Council has voted a grant of 20,000 francs towards the equipment of a station for ambulance carriages for the transport of persons suffering from contagious diseases.

VACCINATION IN IRELAND.—During the June quarter 29,017 persons were successfully vaccinated, while in 2,844 cases the operation was postponed, and 54 children were reported as insusceptible of vaccination. The deaths of 1,443 unvaccinated children under three months old were registered during the quarter, making a total of 33,358 children with regard to whom particulars as to vaccination were ascertained.

### MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following Vacancies are announced:

BOROUGH HOSPITAL, Birkenhead.—Junior House-Surgeon. Salary, £60 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Application by September 2nd to the Chairman of the Weekly Board.

BOROUGH OF LEEDS.—Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £700 per annum, with disbursements. Applications by August 24th to Sir G. Morrison, Town Clerk, Leeds.

CANCER HOSPITAL, Fulham Road, S.W.—Two Resident House-Surgeons. Appointment for six months. Honorarium at the rate of £50 per annum, with board and residence. Applications by August 31st to the Secretary.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Birmingham.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £80 per annum, with board, washing, and attendance. Applications by September 3rd to the Secretary, Children's Hospital, Steelhouse Lane, Birmingham.

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Birmingham.—Assistant Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £40 per annum, with board, washing, and attendance. Applications by September 3rd to the Secretary, Children's Hospital, Steelhouse Lane, Birmingham.

GENERAL HOSPITAL, Birmingham.—Resident Surgical Officer. Salary, £130 per annum, with board and lodging, etc. Applications by September 2nd to Dr. Coghill, House-Governor.

NORTH LONDON CONSUMPTION HOSPITAL, Hampstead.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £40 per annum, with board, apartments, etc. Applications by September 10th to the Secretary, 216, Tottenham Court Road, N.W.

NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE INFIRMARY.—Physician or Medical Officer. Applications by August 29th to the Secretary.

ROTHERHAM HOSPITAL.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Board and lodging. Applications by September 2nd to the House-Surgeon.

STAMFORD, RUTLAND, AND GENERAL INFIRMARY.—House-Surgeon and Secretary. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications by September 9th to the Chairman of the Special Committee.

SWANSEA HOSPITAL.—Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum, with board and lodging, etc. Applications by September 7th to the Secretary, 9, Castle Street, Swansea.

VICTORIA INFIRMARY OF GLASGOW.—Superintendent and Resident Medical Officer. Salary, £125 per annum, with board and apartments. Applications by August 31st to Mr. F. Bissett, Secretary, 20, Bridge Street, Glasgow.

WALLASEY DISPENSARY.—House-Surgeon. Salary, £110, with furnished apartments, etc. Applications by September 3rd to the Honorary Secretary, Mr. W. Heap, Elm Mount, Penkett Road, Liscard, Cheshire.

WOLVERHAMPTON AND STAFFORDSHIRE GENERAL HOSPITAL, Wolverhampton.—House-Physician. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications by September 5th to the Chairman of the Medical Committee.

### MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

ENSOR, C. W., L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S.E., appointed Junior Assistant Medical Officer to the Somerset and Bath Lunatic Asylum, *vice* A. W. James, L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S., resigned.

FIELD, Edgar A. H., L.D.S.Eng., appointed House-Surgeon to the National Dental Hospital.

JONES, E. L., B.A., M.B., B.C.Cantab., appointed Demonstrator of Physiology to the Victoria University, Yorkshire College.

JONES, H. L., M.A., M.D.Cantab., M.R.C.P., appointed Assistant Physician to the City of London Hospital for Diseases of the Chest, Victoria Park, *vice* Bedford Fenwick, M.D., resigned.

KELLETT, R. G., L.K.Q.C.P.I., L.R.C.S.I., appointed Medical Officer to Halstead Union, Essex.

KITCHIN, J. T., M.B., C.M.Édin., appointed House-Surgeon to the Whitehaven and West Cumberland Infirmary, *vice* J. Pirie, M.B., C.M.Édin., resigned.

READ, H. W. K., L.R.C.P., L.R.C.S.Édin., L.F.P.S.Glas., appointed Medical Officer of the Workhouse and the Towcester District, *vice* A. G. Evans, M.R.C.S.Eng., deceased.

WILKINSON, Arthur T., B.A., B.Sc., M.D.Lond., M.R.C.P.Lond., appointed Honorary Physician to the Ancoats Hospital, Manchester.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 8s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps with the announcement. The first post on Thursday mornings is the latest by which advertisements can be received.

### BIRTH.

NICHOLLS.—On July 30th, at Dominica, West Indies, the wife of H. A. Alford Nicholls, M.D., F.L.S., of a daughter.

### MARRIAGES.

BARBER—WARD.—On August 21st, at the Parish Church, Great Horton, by the Rev. James Gallie, M.A., and the Rev. W. Cunliffe, Frederic S. Barber, L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S.Eng., of Bradford, to Annie Mary, younger daughter of Henry Ward, Norlands, Great Horton. No cards.

JOSEPH—DUDER.—At St. Luke's Church, Little Bay Mines, Notre Dame Bay, Newfoundland, on August 17th, Louis Joseph, M.B., C.M., to Alice Jane Duder. (By cablegram.)

MILLS—MUDGE.—On August 15th, at the parish church, St. Elwyn, Hayle, by the Rev. W. Horsburgh, B.A., Vicar, Joseph Mills, of 28, Queen Anne Street, W., younger son of the late Robert Mills, of West Court, Inkpen, Berks, to Mary, youngest daughter of James Mudge, of Bonaér, Hayle, Cornwall.

### DEATH.

JACKSON.—On Thursday, August 15th, at his residence, Cranbourne Hall, Grouville, Jersey, John James Jackson, M.R.C.S.E., only son of the late John Jackson, Esq., in his 45th year, deeply regretted. Relatives and friends will kindly accept this (the only) intimation.

## LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK'S JOURNAL SHOULD REACH THE OFFICE NOT LATER THAN MIDDAY POST ON WEDNESDAY. TELEGRAMS CAN BE RECEIVED ON THURSDAY MORNING.

COMMUNICATIONS respecting editorial matters should be addressed to the Editor 429, Strand, W.C., London; those concerning business matters, non-delivery of the JOURNAL, etc., should be addressed to the Manager, at the Office, 429, 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.

AUTHORS desiring reprints of their articles published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL are requested to communicate beforehand with the Manager, 429, Strand, W.C.

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

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

MANUSCRIPTS FORWARDED TO THE OFFICE OF THIS JOURNAL CANNOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES BE RETURNED.

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.

### QUERIES.

#### ANÆSTHETIC LEPROSY.

DR. G. THIN will be greatly obliged if the gentleman who sent him notes of a case of anæsthetic leprosy would favour him with his address, the letter and MS. having been unfortunately mislaid.

#### WAGSTAFFE'S OBSTETRIC FORCEPS.

DR. PERCY NEWELL (Ipswich) writes: I should be glad to know if any of your readers use Wagstaffe's obstetric forceps, and their experiences of it.

#### SPECIFIC FOR DRUNKENNESS.

G. P. asks for information as to the composition and value of Dr. Haines's Golden Specific for Drunkenness.

#### LYING-IN HOME FOR UNMARRIED WOMEN.

A. C. M. writes: Would any correspondent kindly inform me if there is an establishment in London, or elsewhere in England, for the reception of young women of the middle class expecting their confinement, although unmarried?

#### WANTED A DIAGNOSIS.

B. M. T. writes: A lady who resided in India for ten years consulted me six months ago for pains in the back and feet. She told me she had been treated for uterine disease and irritability of spine. On inquiry I found that she suffered from swollen feet, but never to such an extent as to prevent her from walking or taking active exercise. Her circulation is good, and she is quite free from headache and bad vision.

On examining the urine I find it is covered on the top with bubbles, has an alkaline reaction and specific gravity of 1022. On the application of heat it becomes whitish, and gives a large deposit on the addition of nitric acid. She suffers from some insomnia, dyspepsia, and lassitude on exertion, but otherwise feels well. The swelling in the feet and the pain in the back has ceased to give trouble. She has been taking quinine, ergot, iron, a generous diet, Turkish and hot baths, but still feels weak and sick.

I shall be thankful for any suggestions as regards further treatment and information of the real nature of the disease and cause of the whitish colour on exposing the urine to heat. This lady has not been taking coal-liver or any other oil.