

Poor-Law Board by Mr. Griffin. A memorial to the Secretary of State for War and to the First Lord of the Admiralty, in behalf of the army and navy medical officers, was adopted; and, undeterred by the repulses with which they have already met from the Council of the College of Surgeons, the Association again agreed to the presentation of a memorial to that body, in favour of granting to the country Fellows the privilege of voting at elections by written papers, after the manner followed in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.

The Directors of the Medical Provident Society presented their first annual report: and in so doing expressed their belief that the Society was likely to prosper, and to be useful to the profession. No discussion on it took place; and therefore some members objected to the election of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman by the Association. Ultimately, however, the meeting by a large majority re-appointed Dr. Richardson as Chairman, and elected Mr. John Clay of Birmingham as Vice-Chairman. The non-discussion, we believe, arose from a misapprehension, as our readers will see on perusing the explanation given by Dr. Richardson; but, to remove all cause of dissatisfaction, the Directors have since resolved that means be taken to remove any technical difficulties which may exist in the way of discussing the reports which will be presented at future meetings.

Mr. R. B. Carter, undismayed by the warning conveyed in the resolutions passed by the majority of the Branches, brought forward his long threatened resolution for the suppression of the JOURNAL; and Dr. Davey followed him with a suggestion which, however well meant, would, we fear, have only had a very different effect from that intended. What was said by Mr. Carter and Dr. Davey and their seconders, and how their proposals were received, our readers will learn by referring to the report given in a subsequent page. The result of the discussion was, the unanimous adoption of an amendment proposed by an old and valued member of the Association—the Reverend Dr. Bell, and supported by two other members of long standing—Drs. Sibson and Cowan. The manner in which the Association assented to Dr. Bell's amendment showed that it regarded it not merely as a negation of the opinion of Mr. Carter, nor only as an expression in favour of the continuance of the JOURNAL, but as a vote of confidence in the Editor, and an approval of the manner in which the organ of the Association has been conducted by him.\*

In concluding these remarks, we would repeat, that the Leamington meeting has shown the Association to be in a sound and prosperous condition. Our

body is surely very far from being in a state of decadence, when it can seriously endeavour to become incorporated by Royal Charter, and when, at one single meeting, it can prevail on so many and so great luminaries of medicine to give it the benefit of their profound learning and practical sagacity. Let us hope that, when the members meet next year in Chester, under the presidency of Dr. Edward Waters, the Association will be found to have made an advance even beyond expectation.

## Medical News.

### APPOINTMENTS.

- \*HEWITT, Graily, M.D., appointed Professor of Midwifery in University College, and Obstetric Physician to the Hospital.
- HUGHES, E., M.D., Kirkdale Road, Liverpool, appointed Honorary Medical Officer to the Liverpool Dispensaries, vice Dr. W. F. Jones, resigned.
- \*MASON, Francis, Esq., elected President of the Medical Society of King's College, London, for the Session 1865-66.

### MARRIAGES.

- On the 20th ult., at Alrewas, Staffordshire, \*David Henry MONCKTON, M.D., F.R.C.S., etc., of Rugeley, to Sara, second daughter of Thomas PARR, Esq., of Alrewas.
- At the same time and place, William MONCKTON, Esq., of King's College, London, to Maria, eldest daughter of Thomas PARR, Esq., of Alrewas.

### DEATH.

- \*WEST, John Wickens, Esq., at Poole, Dorset, aged 55, on June 1.

ROYAL MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY. The library will be closed from Monday, August 14th, to Saturday, September 9th, both days inclusive.

THE GRESHAM PROFESSORSHIP. Dr. Henry Powell, brother of Mr. Baden Powell, has been appointed Gresham Professor of Physic in place of the late Dr. Southey.

THE WILL OF SIR DAVID DAVIES, M.D., K.C.H. The personality was sworn under £20,000. The testator was physician to William IV and the late Queen Dowager. His will is dated 1857, and he died on May 2nd last, at Lucca, Italy, at the age of 72. Sir David has devised his real estates to his son Robert, of the Bengal Civil Service, and leaves to his younger son, the Rev. W. H. Davies, M.A., a legacy of £8,000. To his niece, Mrs. Jane Morgan, he leaves a life-interest in £2,000. (*Illustrated London News.*)

MR. TIMOTHY HOLMES has been appointed Surgeon-in-Chief of the Metropolitan Police in the place of Sir John Fisher, who lately resigned the office. The salary is £800 a year. Private practice is not permitted to the holder of this appointment; but he may retain hospital appointments.

CAST OF PRITCHARD'S HEAD. The cast taken of the head of the murderer gives a different impression of the cerebral development from what one gets from the portraits. His baldness concealed the deficiency in the intellectual part of the brain, by making the forehead appear larger than it in reality is. The animal part of the brain was fully four-fifths of the whole; as an eminent phrenologist expressed it, the skull was bestial. The same gentleman remarked that he had only known one head of a sane person to equal it in its unfavourable development. The organ of amativeness was immensely large, and also that of love of approbation. (*Daily Review.*)

\* Dr. Bell's motion, which was, in fact, the negation of Mr. Carter's, was carried unanimously. Not a single hand was, as far as we could observe, held up in favour of Mr. Carter's views.

## OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....	Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's for Fistula and other Diseases of the Rectum, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
TUESDAY. ....	Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
WEDNESDAY....	St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.
THURSDAY.....	St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopædic, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
FRIDAY. ....	Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
SATURDAY.....	St. Thomas's, 1 P.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Lock, Clinical Demonstration and Operations, 1 P.M.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

\*.\* All letters and communications for the JOURNAL, to be addressed to the EDITOR, 37, Great Queen St., Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C.

COMMUNICATIONS.—To prevent a not uncommon misconception, we beg to inform our correspondents that, as a rule, all communications which are not returned to their authors, are retained for publication.

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We have been obliged to postpone many interesting communications on account of the length of the Report, etc., of the Annual Meeting.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL.—*SIR*: As exception may possibly be taken to the retention of Mr. Lawrence's name in our notices for the sessions 1865-66, I shall be obliged if you will allow me to state that our Prospectus and Handbook were printed and in great part distributed before Mr. Lawrence's resignation was known or anticipated.

August 8th, 1865.

I am, etc.,

GEORGE W. CALLENDER.

[The correction is made in the advertisements. EDITOR.]

ORIGIN OF TENIA.—The ancients supposed all human parasites to be restricted to the intestines—an opinion expressed in a rather obscure passage in the works of the now little read poet Apophan-tiacus, which may be thus rendered:

Tell me, where is tenia bred,  
In the guts or in the head?

In the former, truly.

Kindly Providence confines

To the human intestines

Parasites unruly.—(*Natural History Rev.*)

COMMUNICATIONS have been received from:—Dr. WILLIAM STOKES; Dr. TANNER; Mr. J. Z. LAURENCE; Mr. GAMGEE; Dr. MAYO; Dr. J. BULLAR; Dr. A. SMITH; Mr. OLLERHEAD; BONO PUBLICO; Mr. SYME; Dr. PEARSON; Mr. F. CROOK; Dr. RADCLIFFE; Mr. R. W. WATKINS; Mr. F. MASON; Dr. SANDERSON; Mr. CALLENDER; Dr. MONCKTON; Mr. J. RICKETTS; Mr. JAMES ROBERTSON; Mr. B. SQUIRE; Mr. J. IRVINE; Mr. F. JORDAN; Dr. GIBB; Mr. ASPINALL; and Mr. H. LOWNDES.

## BOOKS RECEIVED.

1. Annual Announcement of the Faculty of Medicine, McGill University, Montreal. 1865.
2. Civilisation and Cerebral Development. By R. DUNN, F.R.C.S. London: 1865.
3. Du Suicide et de la Folie Suicide. Par A. Brierre de Boismont. Deuxième Edition, revue et augmentée. Paris: 1865.
4. The Principal Baths of Switzerland and Savoy. By Edwin Lee, M.D. London: 1865.
5. Recherches Chimiques et Physiologiques sur la Fève du Calabar. Par le Dr. A. Vée. Paris: 1865.
6. Suggestions for the Establishment of Convalescents' Retreats on the Sea-Coast. Manchester: 1865.
7. Annual Report of the Southport Convalescent Hospital and Sea-Bathing Infirmary for the Year 1864. Southport: 1865.
8. Systematic Ophthalmia; its Symptoms, Diagnosis, and Treatment. With Illustrative Cases. By George Lawson, F.R.C.S. London: 1865.
9. An Inquiry into the Causes of High Death-Rate in Leeds. By James Braithwaite, M.D. Lond. Leeds: 1865.
10. Traumatic Keratitis. By S. Watson. London: 1865.
11. Herbert Fry's Shilling Guide to the London Charities for 1865-66. London: 1865.

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