

read about three pages, and was quite disgusted with it. Mr. Fergusson and Dr. Dickson appeared on intimate terms; and I understand Mr. Fergusson was in the habit of meeting him in consultation, which makes the case more marked against Mr. Fergusson.

"I have little doubt the other gentleman mentioned in the same article would make a similar reply. Dr. Dickson did not prevent the operation, which took place that day. This statement, if not correct, can be denied by those present."

What shelter will the abettors of homœopathic consultations now seek?

THE homœopathic practitioner David Griffiths Jones—now of considerable infamous fame—has been committed to take his trial for forgery, etc. We suppose this gentleman must now be curtailed of his doctoral denomination. No doubt, the *Medical Directories* and *Medical Register* will do him justice in their future edition. He is, however, a member of the College of Surgeons of England, as, indeed, are most of that brilliant class of disease-curers who run their course as homœopaths.

THE Lunacy Regulation Bill has been thrown overboard by the House of Commons at the twelfth hour of its sitting. We must suppose that the Government meant that it should fail in its carriage through the house, or it would not have permitted so important a bill to be so long kept back. The loss of the bill will disappoint, by deferring, the hopes of many a medical candidate for lunacy commissioner honour.

EVERY week brings us an account of poisonings, accidental or by *malice prepense*, which are accomplished through the great facility with which poisonous materials may be obtained by the public. Last week, vermin powder containing strychnine was fatally used; and now, again, we find that old instrument "oil of almond," slaughtering an innocent.

"The prisoner gave her the essential oil of almonds, which is prepared from the bitter almond, telling her at the time that there was prussic acid in it. She asked if it would hurt her baby. He told her that three drops would not hurt it. She took it away and called on a neighbour, who, at her request, administered to the baby some of the syrup of violets with three drops of the essential oil of almonds. The child took it, and almost instantaneously died."

We refer to the fact to note the curious notions which are usually propounded by counsel and judge on these occasions. The counsel says that the prisoner,

"Who did not hold himself out as a skilled practitioner or scientific person, and who had told the woman that what he gave contained prussic acid, was not guilty of such gross negligence as rendered him liable to be convicted of manslaughter."

And then the judge winds up by saying that it was to be

"Deplored that names so similar (oil of almonds and oil of aniseed!) should be given to drugs so different in

their qualities, the one perfectly innocent, the other a poison. It was desirable that persons administering domestic medicines should first taste what they were administering. It was strange that Mrs. Froggatt, who knew that it contained prussic acid, did not say that her child should not take poison of any kind."

As if taste were a test of poisons; and as if a man who uses or deals in dangerous articles is not responsible for their being carefully guarded and discreetly retailed.

A VACANCY has occurred in the pensioner's department of the Royal Medical Benevolent College in consequence of the death of an inmate. Very possibly the vacancy may not be filled up this year; but should it be determined to fill it, we venture to urge on the subscribers the claims of Mr. Geo. King of Bath, who was for upwards of twenty years an honourable and respected member of our Association. Two or three years ago, Mr. King was disabled from the further performance of his professional duties by an attack of paralysis of the right side. He has already been, on two occasions, a candidate for a pensionership; and his name now stands at the head of the list of candidates. Mr. King is well known to the members of the profession in Bath, Bristol, and the neighbourhood; by several of whom—Dr. Symonds, Dr. W. Budd, Dr. Davey, Dr. T. Barrett, Dr. Bowie, Dr. Tunstall, etc.—his case has been strongly recommended, as well as by Sir Charles Hastings, Mr. May of Reading, and other gentlemen. We will only repeat that the age of Mr. King, and the great affliction under which he labours, entitle him to the support of such of our associates as are subscribers to the College; and we trust that his application for admission, whenever the next opportunity may occur, will be attended with success.

Association Intelligence.

READING BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Council Chamber, Reading, on Wednesday, July 24; THOMAS JESTON, Esq., of Henley-on-Thames, President, in the chair.

Officers for 1861-62. The following were elected:—President, Thomas Jeston, Esq.; President-Elect, E. Wells, M.D.; Representative in Council, T. Jeston, Esq.; Committee of Management, G. D. Brown, Esq.; E. Wells, M.D.; R. T. Woodhouse, M.D.; J. W. Workman, Esq.; and W. B. Young, Esq.; Secretary, George May, jun., Esq.

The JOURNAL. It was proposed by Mr. HARRISON, and seconded by Dr. COWAN—

"That the members of this Branch are much pleased with the improved state of the JOURNAL under its present editor."

Retrospective Address. Mr. A. Maurice, house surgeon of the Royal Berkshire Hospital, read an able retrospective address, commenting on the papers and cases presented to the Reading Pathological Society during the past twelve months.

Dinner. The members dined at the George Hotel. After the usual loyal and professional toasts had been responded to, the conduct of some of the London medical men in consulting with homœopaths was reprehended, and the treatment of this question by the editor of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL greatly commended.

Medical News.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON. At the Comitia Majora, held on Tuesday, July 30th, the following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examination, and satisfied the College of their proficiency in the science and practice of medicine and midwifery, were duly admitted to practise physic as Licentiates of the College:—

Andrews, Charles, M.D., Hammersmith
Bell, Thomas, Uppingham
Cargill, Jasper, M.D., Bloomsbury Street
Norris, George Abbott, M.D., Maze Pond, Southwark

The following passed the preliminary examination in the subjects of general education, on the 24th inst. :—

Bostock, Edward Ingram, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Chandler, Edward, Kennington
Elliot, Richard Luscombe, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Moore, Harry Gage, Guy's Hospital
Williams, Thomas Edward, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Wilson, Moreton Stephenson Wightman, Rugeley
Worsley, James Henry, Bury, Lancashire
Wright, Thomas Poyntz, Tiverton, Devon

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND. The following gentlemen passed their primary examinations in Anatomy and Physiology, at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on July 23, 24, and 25, and when eligible will be admitted to the pass examination:—

Edinburgh School of Medicine.

Anthopisz, J. E. Benton, D.
Barry, F. J. Richard, R. A. C.
Braine, R. Ross, D. P.
Duckworth, D. Smith, J.
Haft, G. F. Smith, J. B.
Kennedy, J. Titterton, J. W.
Lewis, A. Turner, W.
Lubbock, R. G. Will, A.

Guy's Hospital.

Barnes, T. H. Jeffery, J.
Cooper, A. A. C. Mason, S.
Evans, J. B. M. Murdoch, W.
Harvey, J. S. Wall, G.
Horrocks, W. Watchorn, J.

Dublin School of Medicine.

Ahern, W. Phillips, J. D.
Gibson, R. F. Russell, W. S.
Keegan, D. F. Watson, C.

University College.

Bridgman, J. H. Rawlings, J. H.
Buck, H. Reddrop, J.
Costin, J. Q. Smith, W. J.

St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

Blechly, W. E. Mallet, S. E.
Brown, J. H. Mayo, C.
Jones, J. R. Stowell, T.

Liverpool School of Medicine.

Broadbent, J. C. Johnson, J. M.
Jackson, E.

Leeds School of Medicine.

Craister, T. L. Nickols, T.
Giddings, W. K.

St. George's Hospital.

Lilly, H. W. Pigott, P.
Partridge, T. D' O.

King's College.

King, T. Mumford, W. L.

Birmingham School of Medicine.

Fry, J. B. Millership, A.

Glasgow School of Medicine.

Jones, R. Nutt, Horace

Calcutta School of Medicine.

Middlesex Hospital. Dias, A. W. B.

London Hospital.

Holm, J. Moore, E. H.

Aberdeen School of Medicine.

St. Mary's Hospital. D'Uminy, B. F.

Manchester School of Medicine.

Watts, A. J. Allkin, W. J.

Hull School of Medicine.

Cork School of Medicine. Sheatwood, J. H.

Newcastle School of Medicine.

Hills, Rowland

Belfast School of Medicine.

Conolly, J.

APPOINTMENTS.

ROYAL ARMY. The following appointments have been made:—

ANDERSON, Surgeon-Major G., retiring upon half-pay, to have the honorary rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals.
D'ARCEY, Surgeon O'Connor, Military Train, to be Staff-Surgeon, vice Surgeon-Major G. Anderson.

The following medical officers, having each completed twenty years full-pay service, have been appointed Surgeons-Major, under the Royal Warrant of 1st October, 1858:—

BARRON, Staff-Surgeon T. W.
BOWEN, Surgeon R., Rifle Brigade.
EWING, Surgeon J., 62nd Foot.
FAIRBAIRN, Staff-Surgeon W. H., M.D.
GAMBLE, Surgeon R., M.D., 24th Foot.
HEFFERNAN, Surgeon N., M.B., 11th Foot.
STEWART, Staff-Surgeon L. C.
TUFNELL, Staff-Surgeon T. J.
WARDROP, Battalion-Surgeon J. J. M., Grenadier Guards.

ROYAL NAVY. The following appointments have been made:—

MAGILL, Martin, Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Sanpareil*.
MAKENAY, John, Esq., Acting Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Sanpareil*.

VOLUNTEER CORPS. The following appointments have been made (A.V.=Artillery Volunteers; R.V.=Rifle Volunteers):—

COLBORNE, W. H., M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon 4th Wiltshire R.V.
NEWMAN, S., Esq., to be Assistant-Surgeon 13th Suffolk R.V.
TICEHURST, F., Esq., to be Surgeon 4th Cinque Ports A.V.

To be Honorary Assistant-Surgeons:—

LANGLEY, W. V. W., Esq., 4th Wiltshire R.V.
PRICE, J. R., Esq., 1st Anglesey A.V.
SWETE, E. H., Esq., 27th Somerset R.V.
WATKINS, D. R., Esq., 2nd Carmarthenshire R.V.

DEATHS.

BABBAGE, William B., Esq., Surgeon, at Bishop's Tawton, Devon, aged 27, on July 17.

BELL. On July 26th, at Goole, aged 3½ years, Frederick J. V., youngest child of *R. P. Bell, Esq.

BRODHURST. On July 24th, at 20, Grosvenor Street, aged 32, Elizabeth, wife of *Bernard E. Brodhurst, Esq.

BUCKLAND, George W., Esq., Surgeon, at Sunbury, aged 86, on July 17.

FREEMAN, Richard, M.D., at Plymouth, aged 68, on July 23.

HAWARD. On July 29th, at Halesworth, Sarah Harriet, wife of *Frederick Haward, Esq.

JONES. On July 12th, at 26, Woburn Place, aged 13 months, James Lester, son of James Jones, M.D.

MARTIN, J., Esq., Surgeon, at Merthyr Tydfil, aged 52, on July 26.

MATTHEWS, Thomas L., Esq., late Surgeon H.E.I.C.S., at Orsett Terrace, Hyde Park, aged 62, on July 23.

WEBB. On July 15th, at 9, St. George's Road, Pimlico, aged 13 months, Alice, youngest daughter of Edward L. Webb, M.D.

WEBSTER. On July 27th, at Dulwich, aged 63, Elizabeth, wife of *George Webster, M.D.

FEVER ON BOARD SHIP. A fearful mortality has taken place on board Her Majesty's steam sloop *Firebrand*, in the West Indies, from fever.

BOTANY IN MEDICAL SCHOOLS. The College of Surgeons of Edinburgh has erased "Botany" from their curriculum; and it is said, that the Edinburgh College of Physicians are about to do the same.

PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS. In the House of Lords, on Monday, the Vaccination Bill was read a third time and passed; and the Naval and Medical Supplementary Fund Society Bill passed through committee.

LONDON HOSPITAL. In consequence of the resignation of Mr. Luke, Mr. Critchett will succeed to the full Surgeoncy. Mr. Couper, demonstrator of Anatomy to the Hospital College, is a candidate for the vacant office of Assistant-Surgeon.

DEATH OF MRS. BRODHURST. Every one will deeply sympathise with Mr. Brodhurst in the sad loss which he has sustained, through the death of his wife. Mrs. Brodhurst's dress caught fire, and she was so fearfully burnt that she died on the following day.

MILITIA SURGEONS. In the House of Commons, Lord Burghley "hoped that something would be done for the Militia surgeons, who were most inadequately remunerated for their services. He suggested that they should either receive permanent pay on the Staff, or have a certain amount of lodging-money allowed to them."

CRIMINAL LUNATICS. Sir George Cornwall Lewis has appointed the Right Hon. Sir W. G. Hayter, Bart., M.P., the Right Hon. Sir W. G. Hylton Jolliffe, Bart., M.P., Sir James Clark, Bart., Major-General Sir Joshua Jebb, K.C.B., and Dr. Hood to be a Council of Supervision for the new Criminal Lunatic Asylum at Broadmoor, in the county of Hants.

INCREASE OF INFANTICIDE. A correspondent of one of the daily papers writes:—"The analysis of the return, 'Coroners' inquests—metropolis,' shows in the five years—1856, 243; 1857, 177; 1858, 190; 1859, 242; 1860, 278; total, 1,130 infants, under two years of age, murdered in this metropolis alone, or an average of 226 yearly; and yet this excites little or no attention!"

CASTRATION FOR EPILEPSY. Dr. James J. Rooker, of Castleton, Indiana, reports a case in the *Cleveland Med. Gaz.*, of castration for the cure of epilepsy evidently dependent upon the habit of excessive masturbation. The patient was thirty-five years of age, and the disease remarkably severe. The operation has proved entirely successful. (*Chicago Med. Jour.*)

THE CENSUS OF IRELAND. The Irish people number no more now than they did upwards of fifty years ago. The population decreased 1,624,739 between 1841 and 1851; and a further decrease of 787,842 took place between the latter year and the present. The natural increase by births during the last ten years is supposed to have been 600,000, which number, added to the above decrease, gives an actual loss of 1,387,842. Since the year 1841 the decrease has been 2,410,036, whilst the population of England and Wales has increased from 11,500,000 in 1811—in which year the population of Ireland was about what it is now—to 22,000,000 in the present year.

SOCIAL SCIENCE CONGRESS. The Social Science Association will meet in Dublin on the 14th of August next, and their first meeting will be inaugurated by an address from Lord Brougham in his capacity of President. The Association will be divided into six Sections—viz., Jurisprudence, Education, Punishment and Reformatories, Public Health, Social Economy, and Trade and International Law. Lord Talbot de Malahide will occupy the Chair of the Public Health Section, with Drs. Lyons and Macdonnell as Secretaries.

ACTION FOR BREACH OF AGREEMENT. *Ackroyd v. Waters.* This cause was tried, by consent of the counsel on both sides, without a jury, and was an action for a breach of a stipulation in an agreement, whereby the defendant was engaged by the plaintiff, who was a medical man at Cassop, in the county of Durham, as his assistant, not to practise within five miles of the plaintiff's residence under a prohibition of £100. The facts were not disputed, and the questions were questions of law for the decision of the learned judge on the construction of the stipulation in question, and in especial with reference to the duration of the restriction, whether it was for the period of service only, as contended for by the defendant, or was one of a more permanent operation, and also as to the manner in which the verdict should be entered on various pleas which had been pleaded. The learned Judge decided that the verdict should be entered for the plaintiff—damages £100, on all except the third plea, on which it was to be entered for the defendant.

Varieties.

TRAVELLERS' TALES. "Mr. Du Chaillu's Preface to his new edition professes to set right his dates and put them into proper chronological order, and, in addition, to contradict my statement in reference to his figure of the skeleton of the Gorilla, which he does in the following terms:—'The skeleton of the Gorilla (p. 370) is not copied from the English photograph by Fenton, but is from a drawing of my own large specimen, and differs essentially from the other, as any comparative anatomist or careful observer may detect.' I am sorry to be under the necessity of contradicting so positive an assertion; but I affirm, without hesitation, that 'any comparative anatomist or careful observer' cannot fail to perceive that the figure itself gives it the most decided contradiction. It is true, as Mr. Du Chaillu states, that the figure 'differs essentially,' but in so doing it only adds to the universal inaccuracy of Mr. Du Chaillu's representations. In the specimen in the British Museum the upper bone of the left arm has been broken, and, consequently, shortened, and this is represented in Mr. Fenton's photograph. In Mr. Du Chaillu's copy the fracture is mended, and the bone is represented as perfect; but the copyist has forgotten to lengthen it so as to correspond with the arm on the opposite side, and with what would have been the condition of a perfect arm. This will be evident to any one who will examine the two with an accurate eye, and who will take a pair of compasses and measure the relative lengths of the bones. The latter process is, however, quite unnecessary, as the position of the skeleton itself and of its several parts is quite sufficient to determine the question, and to show how little confidence can be placed in the traveller's most positive assertions." (*Athenaeum*.)

SOUTHERN BLOOD IN THE NEW YORK ACADEMY OF MEDICINE. "At a time like the present, when our beloved country is threatened with intestine strife and civil war, when all ties of blood and relationship become loose and disrupted, when passion and fanaticism raise their horrid war-whoop! where shall we expect that calmness, that humane forbearance of our mutual frailties and short-comings, if it is not to be found in the halls devoted to medical science, where the true Samaritans meet. And yet the many-headed hydra of political passion ventures to pollute the sanctified halls of science by her presence, and convert them into a Jacobin club. The scene enacted at the last meeting of the Academy of Medicine cannot have failed to fill every high-minded member with deep regret and sorrow. Dr. Thomas, the present Secretary of the Academy, whose scientific acquirements, inoffensive gentlemanly demeanour, and obliging disposition, have led to this high official distinction, and have given him a very highly-respected position in the profession at large, is a man of Southern birth, and in these times of excitement, in the eyes of some over-zealous individuals, this is quite enough to stigmatise him as a suspicious, traitorous individual. Auxious, perhaps, to make political capital, or, at least, make a public display of their patriotism, two members of the Academy rose in remonstrance against Dr. Thomas' acting any further in his official capacity. They brought forth no special charges; they did not impeach his character as a man or physician; they did not charge him with negligence of official duty; they simply insisted on his removal, for no feasible cause at all. It is but just to say, that an overwhelming majority of the Academy resisted such an attempt, but the whole session was consumed with these bickerings, and the members left disgusted with the proceedings and the misuse of their time."

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....Royal Free, 2 P.M.—Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.
 TUESDAY.....Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.
 WEDNESDAY.....St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.
 THURSDAY.....St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—London, 1:30 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.
 FRIDAY.....Westminster Ophthalmic, 1:30 P.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.

POPULATION STATISTICS AND METEOROLOGY OF LONDON—JULY 27, 1861.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

Births. Deaths.

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| During week..... | { Boys .. 926 } | 1804 | 1207 |
| Average of corresponding weeks 1851-60 | Girls .. 878 | 1578 | 1214 |
| Barometer: | | | |
| Highest (Wed.) 29.649; lowest (Tu.) 29.464; mean 29.571. | | | |
| Thermometer: | | | |
| Highest in sun—extremes (Mon.) 127 degs.; (Wed.) 82 degs. In shade—highest (Sat.) 73.3 degrees; lowest (Sat.) 49.8 degs. Mean—61.1 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs.—0.7 deg. Range—during week, 23.5 degrees; mean daily, 16.1 degrees. Mean humidity of air (<i>saturation</i> =100), 83. Mean direction of wind, S.W.—Rain in inches, 0.51. | | | |

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

THE ELECTION AT THE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.—A correspondent, writing of the recent changes which have taken place at the College of Surgeons, says:—"But another change is essentially required to give fair play and equal rights to the country Fellows. I desire most emphatically to impress on the country Fellows, that they ought to take at once the initiative in demanding the right of voting by proxy balloting-papers. It is an injustice that so many country gentlemen cannot exercise their elective franchise by reason of the expense of railways and hotels; and the great loss of time and loss of business by being absent from home, especially those gentlemen who live beyond twenty or thirty miles from town; and many there are who live from one hundred to two hundred miles away from the metropolis. The elections have been hitherto virtually in the hands of the London men; the provincial men must necessarily forego their influence, as they cannot muster in proportion to their numbers, and are thus practically denuded of the franchise. It is hoped, and earnestly urged, that provincial Fellows will vindicate their right, by such representations and remonstrances, that the present mode of election may be altered, and that proxy ballot-papers be substituted."

AN OLD ASSOCIATE asks:—"What is the distinction between assistant-surgeons and honorary assistant-surgeons of volunteers?" [To us the distinction seems to be "without a difference." Perhaps some of our volunteer surgeons can explain the question. EDITOR.]

THE MEDICAL COUNCIL.—A correspondent writes as follows of the Medical Council:—"It does no work—only talk, talk, talk! Three Medical Parliaments have been held; and yet the great subject of what should constitute a national medical education has not been settled! At the same time, days are wasted in discussing whether reporters should or should not be admitted, and whether a Mr. Snob should be unregistered—quackery being as rampant as ever."

DR. HAYWARD, a Liverpool Homœopath, and "Ass. Sur. 66 L.R.V.", is very angry that we refuse to publish a long letter which he has sent us, in answer to Mr. Bickerton's, which appeared in our pages. "Of all contemptible things," writes this enraged Homœopath, "sir, I consider a one-sided unjust editor the most contemptible." An answer done in simple and short terms by Dr. Hayward would not have been rejected. Dr. Hayward, in his enthusiasm for his science, no doubt forgot that he was writing a puff of Homœopathy, instead of dealing with Mr. Bickerton. And for such bags of wind, we have no room.

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