

He returned home in the year 1838, and retired from professional life, devoting himself henceforth, both publicly and privately, with his characteristic philanthropy, energy, and untiring industry, to the welfare of his fellow men, becoming a Magistrate for Middlesex, Treasurer of the Royal Humane Society, and holding various offices in the parish of St. Pancras.

It was whilst in the discharge of his magisterial duties during the Fenian disturbances and Clerkenwell explosion in December last, that his seriously declining state of health became manifest to himself and his medical advisers; his malady assuming the form of climacteric disease, under which he gradually sunk, apparently without any great suffering. A true Christian, death for him had no terrors; and thus, conscious to the last, and affectionately regardful to the last of the welfare of those around him, after a life of exceeding usefulness, at the mature age of 77, passed away a high minded English gentleman, deeply regretted by his sorrowing family and a wide circle of friends.

MEDICAL NEWS.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

For the week from August 5th to 11th (both inclusive).

Taken at Kew, by Dr. TREUTLER, Fellow of the Meteorological Societies of England and Scotland.

Mean height of barometer corrected and reduced to 32° F. and mean sea-level	29.886
Highest reading of do. (corrected and reduced), on 9th, at 10 A.M.	30.191
Lowest ditto	29.590
Range of pressure during the week	00.601
Mean temperature of air in shade	71.0
Mean temperature of evaporation	65.4
Mean temperature of dew-point	61.1
Mean degree of humidity (saturation=100)	70.6
Mean maximum temperature of the week	80.1
Mean minimum temperature of the week	59.9
Calculated mean temperature of the week	70.0
Maximum temperature in shade, on 5th	87.7
Minimum temperature (protected), on 8th	55.9
Minimum temperature (exposed on grass), on 9th	47.5
Range of temperature during week	40.2
Highest reading of black bulb, solar radiation, thermometer <i>in vacuo</i> , on 5th	145.5
Mean amount of clouds (0-10)	6.2
Total rainfall (which fell on 6th, 7th, and 11th)	0.62 inch
Mean amount of ozone (0-10)	3.4

WIND.

Mean Force

	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm.	(0-12)
10 A.M.	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	0	3.4
2 P.M.	0	0	0	1	1	4	1	0	0	3.7
10 P.M.	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	1	1.9
Mean force of wind (0-12)										3.0

The weather of the week has been somewhat changeable. Temperature has been high, but more uniform than during the preceding two weeks. The barometer, which was falling at the end of last week, attained its lowest on the 7th, at 10 A.M., being 29.684. It then rapidly rose, reaching its highest on the 9th, at 10 A.M., the reading (not corrected for elevation) being 30.173. Falling again as rapidly, it reached the lowest reading of the week (not corrected for elevation), at 2 P.M., on the 11th; viz., 29.583. Winds have been moderate, and almost wholly from S.W. The general health is satisfactory.

Kew, August 12th, 1868.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.—At a general meeting of the Fellows, held on Monday, August 10th, 1868, the following members of the College were duly admitted Fellows of the same.

Heaton, John Deakin, M.D. Lond., Claremont, Leeds
 Jackson, John Hughlings, M.D. St. Andrew's, 28, Bedford Place, Russell Square
 Morgan, John Edward, M.D. Oxon., St. Peter's Square, Manchester
 Moxon, Walter, M.D. Lond., 6, Finsbury Circus
 Ogle, William, M.D. Cantab., Derby
 Robertson, Charles Alexander Lockhart, M.D. Cantab., County Asylum, Hayward's Heath
 Thompson, E. Symes, M.D. Lond., 3, Upper George Street, Portman Square
 Thompson, Reginald Edward, M.D. Cantab., 21, South Street, Park Lane
 Tuke, Thomas Harrington, M.D. St. Andrew's, Manor House, Chiswick

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—Names of gentlemen who passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, August 6th, 1868.

Abrath, Gustavus Adolphus, Sunderland

Aldrich, Frederick Edward, Mildenhall, Suffolk
 Allbutt, Henry Arthur, Leeds
 Marsh, John Wilford, Wickhambrook
 Milligan, William, Buxton
 Rawlings, William Henry, Camelford
 Sewell, Allen, Twickenham
 Stephens, Richard Frederick, Penryn, Cornwall

At the same Court, the following passed the first examination.

Atkins, Francis Day, Guy's Hospital
 Bower, August Edward, King's College Hospital
 Clark, Andrew, University College Hospital
 Cotterill, Alfred, King's College Hospital
 Etheredge, George Ernest F., St. Bartholomew's Hospital
 Gibbings, Alfred Thomas, King's College Hospital
 Hobley, Simon Halford, King's College Hospital
 Lloyd, William Howell, Guy's Hospital
 Prigg, Frederick, St. George's Hospital
 Simon, Arthur Charles, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
 Wearne, Walter, Westminster Hospital

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

The following vacancies are declared:—

ANDERSON'S UNIVERSITY, Glasgow—Professor of Medical Jurisprudence.
 BANDON UNION, co. Cork—Medical Officer for the Templemartin Dispensary District.
 BARRA, Inverness-shire—Parochial Medical Officer.
 BARTON-ON-IRWELL UNION—Medical Officer for the Stretford District.
 CORK UNION—Junior Medical Officer, Cork Dispensary District.
 DEVON COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM, Exminster—Assistant Medical Officer.
 GLOUCESTER COUNTY ASYLUM, near Gloucester—Junior Assistant Medical Officer.
 HOSPITAL FOR SKIN-DISEASES—Surgeon; Assistant-Surgeon.
 LEEDS PUBLIC DISPENSARY—Resident Medical Officer.
 LOCHBROOM, co. Ross and Cromarty—Parochial Medical Officer.
 LONDON HOSPITAL—Assistant-Physician; Assistant-Surgeon.
 MACCLESFIELD DISPENSARY—House-Surgeon.
 MONAGHAN COUNTY INFIRMARY—Apothecary and Registrar.
 NEWCASTLE UNION, co. Limerick—Medical Officer for the Workhouse and Fever Hospital.
 NEWMARKET UNION—Medical Officer for Isleham District.
 ROYAL KENT DISPENSARY—Two Medical Officers for Greenwich.
 ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL—Lecturer on Botany.
 ST. MARYLEBONE GENERAL DISPENSARY, Welbeck Street—Surgeon.
 ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL MEDICAL SCHOOL—Lecturer on Chemistry and Practical Chemistry.
 STAFFORDSHIRE GENERAL INFIRMARY, Stafford—House-Surgeon and Secretary.
 TRINITY COLLEGE, Glendalmond—Resident Medical Officer.
 WESTMINSTER GENERAL DISPENSARY—Resident Medical Officer.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

GLASCOTT, Charles E., M.B., C.M., late Resident Surgeon Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, appointed House-Surgeon to the Royal Eye Hospital, Manchester.
 HOGG, C. H. Jenner, Esq., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Children's Hospital, Birmingham, in the place of Horatio Wood, Esq., resigned.

MARRIAGES.

*FREEMAN, Henry W., L.R.C.P. Lond., to Lena, third daughter of the late John HALE, Esq., of Felcourt Hall, Surrey, at East Grinstead, on July 21st.
 GREENALL, Jas. B., Esq., of Lingholme, Cumberland, to Fanny G., eldest daughter of Wm. H. MACKINTOSH, M.D., Staff-Surgeon-Major, at St. George's, Hanover Square, on July 14th.

DEATHS.

ADAMS.—On August 8th, at Davenham, Joseph Adams, M.D., late of Waterloo, aged 47.
 BALLINGALL, George R., M.D., late Bombay Medical Service, at Altamont, Blairgowrie, aged 42, on July 25th.
 DUMINY, Oosterzee, Esq., of Capetown, at Aberdeen, on July 15th.
 EARLE.—On July 17th, at Brentford, aged 4, William, son of E. S. Earle, Esq.
 GORDON.—On July 18th, at Portsmouth, aged 5 weeks, Jane L. M., infant daughter of W. London Gordon, M.D., R.N.
 HANSON.—On July 15th, Sarah Frances, wife of Newton Hanson, M.D.
 JOHNSON, H. Scholfield, M.D., at Congleton, on July 20th.
 KEARNEY, John, Esq., at Ovoca, co. Wicklow, on July 10th.
 *LANGDALE, Henry, Esq., Surgeon, late of Green Hammerton, Yorkshire, at Scarborough, on August 10th.
 LE MESURIER, Frederick, M.D., formerly of Guernsey, at Harpford, Devon, aged 55, on June 13th.
 LOCKWOOD, Augustus P., K.L.H., late Surgeon-Major Royal Scots Greys, aged 49, on July 26th.
 SHEPPARD.—On July 18th, at Knightwick Rectory, aged 75, Maria, widow of James P. Sheppard, Esq., of Worcester, formerly Secretary of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association.
 SOPKE.—On August 7th, at 4, Clapham Rise, aged 21 weeks, Mildred Augusta, infant daughter of William Soper, Esq., Surgeon.
 WILLIS, Robert, M.D., of Oughterard, on July 17th.

TESTIMONIAL.—A very handsome testimonial has been presented to T. B. Anstie, Esq., Devizes, on his retirement from the office of Surgeon to the Provincial Dolphin Lodge, as a mark of esteem and respect.

DR. MARION SIMS has been honoured by the King of Portugal with the title and insignia of Commander of the Order of Christ.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAYMetropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 9 A.M. and 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
TUESDAY.....Guy's, 1.30 P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—National Orthopaedic Hospital, 2 P.M.—Royal Free, 9 A.M.
WEDNESDAY...St. Mary's, 1.15 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.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children, 2.30 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.
THURSDAY....St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, 2 P.M.
FRIDAY.....Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.
SATURDAY....St. Thomas's, 9.30 A.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Lock (Clinical Demonstrations and Operations), 1 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

NOTICES TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All Letters and Communications for the JOURNAL, to be addressed to the EDITOR, 37, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's Inn Fields, W.C.

WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE TO RETURN MANUSCRIPTS NOT USED.

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

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

AUTHORS OF PAPERS, desirous of having extra copies printed for their own use, are requested to communicate with the printer, Mr. Richards, 37, Great Queen Street.

It is particularly requested that, during the month of August, all communication whatever relating to the JOURNAL should be addressed to the office, 37, Great Street, and NOT TO THE HOUSE OF THE EDITOR, who is absent from town.

THE LICENSE OF THE COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS.

SIR,—For some time past, many letters have appeared in your JOURNAL urging the College of Physicians to grant their license to the Licentiates of the Apothecaries' Hall without further examination.

Now, such a proceeding, in my opinion, would at once reduce that qualification on an equality with its neighbours. At present, it is the only respectable medical qualification open to the general practitioner without taking out a course of lectures with residence at an University. The examination to obtain it is a fair practical one in medicine, surgery, and midwifery; and any practitioner who could not pass such an examination, is not a proper person to practise as a general practitioner.

I am, as also some of my friends, at present reading for the examination, and hope after a little to pass the same; and we, together with the majority of the profession, sincerely trust that if any change is made in the mode of obtaining same, that it will be by making the examination stiffer, and thus draw a line of demarcation between the holders of such license and the ordinary ruck.

Your publishing this would greatly oblige.

July 1868.

I am, etc.,

H. O.

THE GRESHAM LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

SIR,—I would strongly advise your correspondent (Mr. King) to summons the manager or secretary of the above Company to the County Court of the district where he resides, and thus try the question at issue; viz., whether Assurance Companies are to request medical men to perform certain responsible and delicate duties for them, and then refuse to pay a reasonable fee for the same. I feel certain if Mr. King will but try the question, the result will be favourable to him and the profession. In this case, the Company sent a form to fill up, and to visit a case five miles from his residence. If it were my case, I should charge £2 12 0. I wonder if they would refuse to pay a lawyer for work performed at their request.

August 1868.

I am, etc.,

H. H. R.

ERRATA.—In Mr. Solomon's paper on the Surgery of the Nineteenth Century, published in the JOURNAL of August 1st, the following corrections are required.

Page 104, col. 1, line 8 from bottom (of text), for "early state" read "early date."

Page 104, col. 11, line 23, for "instances" read "utterances".

Same column, line 13 from bottom (of text), for "immediately impaired" read "irremediably impaired".

SCABIES.

A MEMBER (Stony Stratford) will feel obliged to any brother associate, versed in the subject, to give him some practical information on the following queries.

Does scabies sometimes exist in the blood for months without showing any symptoms on the skin, except an occasional itching and tingling here and there?

Would it be necessary to purify the ticking of a bed or mattress on which a person slightly affected with scabies had slept for some time, a sheet and blanket intervening?

If so, what is the best process for destroying the contagion?

Would a person suffering from scabies, and being cured, get it again by continuing to sleep on the same bed and bed-clothes which he had used during his cure, they not having been disinfected?

MEDICAL PRACTICE IN BIRKENHEAD.

SIR,—I have been two years in general medical practice here, and during that time have delivered six women only, who have expressed themselves satisfied with my attendance, and promised payment of my ordinary fee; but, strange to say, I have never been paid by one of them without litigation or such other annoyance, trouble, and delay, as one might be supposed to have in recovering stolen property. A man carrying on practice here without any qualification has shown me a list of two hundred midwifery cases he has attended here in the same time without having one defaulter. Such is life in this respectable community.

Birkenhead, August 1868.

I am, etc.,

J. DE COURCY YOUNG.

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.—Advertisements should be forwarded direct to the Printing-Office, 37, Great Queen Street, W.C., addressed to Mr. Richards, not later than *Thursday*, twelve o'clock.

RUS will probably remember the name by searching his earlier recollections. This gentleman has recently returned to London.

THE LONDON DIALECTICAL SOCIETY.

SIR,—With reference to the paragraph in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of August 1st, concerning this Society, I am directed by the Council to inform you that the article is based upon an unauthorised and inaccurate report of the meetings to which it refers.

It is proper that it should be understood that the Society is not committed to any views whatever. It consists of persons holding varied and diverse opinions upon the leading questions in ethics, politics, metaphysics, and theology; it is established for the purpose of discovering, by means of the dialectic method, the truth upon these and other important subjects; and, in seeking this desirable end, it gives its members the opportunity of comparing their opinions, free, as far as possible, from the disturbing influences of passion and prejudice.

As the writer of the article in question appears to be misinformed as to the principles and conduct of the Society, I enclose a copy of the prospectus and rules.

I am, etc., D. H. DYER, Honorary Secretary.

32A, George Street, Hanover Square, W., August 4th, 1868.

* * Should not the correction be made where the report first appeared? and would it not be well that Dr. Drysdale and Lord Amberley should correct any inaccuracy? We have only quoted from a published and uncontradicted report; of whose authority we have no other than *prima facie* grounds of judgment.

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

WE are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news reports and other matters of medical interest:—The Times, August 4th; The Wiltshire County Mirror, August 5th; The Exeter and Plymouth Gazette, July 25th and 27th; The Indian Medical Gazette, July 1st; The St. Louis Medical Reporter, July 15th; The Illustrated Australian News, May 2nd; and The Croydon Chronicle, August 8th.

COMMUNICATIONS, LETTERS, ETC., have been received from:—

Mr. Henry Taylor, Guildford; Mr. W. Soper, Clapham Rise; Dr. R. L. Johnson, London; Mr. J. M. Evans, Hull; Mr. H. Hyman, London; Mr. D. Thompson, Launceston; Mr. Nunn, London; Mr. E. M. Wrench, Baslow; Dr. E. Kough, Bagshot; Mrs. Allwork, Maidstone; Mr. MacCurrie, Kimbolton; Mr. R. Pringle, London; Dr. James Edmunds, London; Dr. Heywood Smith, London; Dr. E. H. Blake, Bedford; Mr. W. C. Beatty, Weston-super-Mare; Mr. F. Ticehurst, Shoburness; Dr. Andrew Clark, London; Dr. Martin, Warrington; Dr. Bishop, Paris; Mr. Chadwick, London; Mr. E. Chapman, Oxford; Mr. J. V. Solomon, Birmingham; Mr. E. Chapman, Oxford; Mr. Carter, Bath; Mr. W. Date, Abergale; Mr. E. B. Gray, Oxford; Mr. G. F. Atchley, Cosham.

LETTERS, ETC. (with enclosures) from:—

Dr. Rolleston, Oxford; Dr. E. L. Fox, Clifton; Dr. Hilton Fagge, London; Mr. Fennell, Manchester; Dr. Morehead, Edinburgh; Dr. G. M. Humphry, Cambridge; Dr. W. T. Gairdner, Glasgow; Dr. Oppert, London; Mr. G. May, jun., Reading; Mr. Lund, Manchester; Mr. Lambton Young, London; Mr. A. B., London; Dr. MacLoughlin, London; Mr. W. Parker, Bath; Mr. W. Copney, London; Mr. R. Nicholson, Hull; Dr. G. H. Philipson, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Mr. J. H. Barnes, Liverpool; Mr. H. Swete, Weston-super-Mare; Mr. Dyte, London; Mr. Vincent Jackson, Wolverhampton; Mr. J. de Courcy Young, Birkenhead; The Secretary of Apothecaries' Hall; The Registrar-General of England; Mr. T. M. Stone, London; Dr. John Murray, London; The Registrar-General of Ireland; Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, London; Mr. G. Wiley, Norwich; Mr. W. E. Clendinnen, Market Drayton; Mr. G. Greaves, Manchester; The Director-General of the Army Medical Department; Dr. D. Nelson, Birmingham; Dr. W. Foley, Kilrush; Dr. H. S. Purdon, Belfast; Dr. H. Jackson, London; Dr. Acland, Oxford; Dr. Thompson, Torquay; Dr. J. Tucker, Sligo; Mr. G. P. Jemmet, London; Mr. C. H. Crane, Assistant-Surgeon-General, U.S. Army; Dr. Treutler, Kew; Dr. E. Nugent, Drogheda; Dr. John Chiene, Edinburgh; Dr. Guinness, Dublin; Mr. R. S. Smith, London; Dr. Mead, Newmarket; Miss Hinde; Dr. Christison; and Dr. A. T. MacGowan, Martock.

BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED.

The Indigenous Drugs of India; or, Short Descriptive Notices of the Medicines, both Vegetable and Mineral, in common use among the Natives of India. By Kanny Loll Dey. Calcutta: 1867.

Principles of Organic Life. London: 1868.

The Second Annual Report of the Lothians' Medical Association, 1868.

The British Army in 1868. By Sir Charles E. Trevelyan, K.C.B. London: 1868.

The Canada Medical Journal. Montreal: 1868.

On the Pollution of the Rivers of the Kingdom, etc.

Some of the Educational Aspects of State Medicine. By H. W. Rumsey, M.D., F.R.C.S. London: 1868.

Report of the City of Glasgow Fever Hospital, 1868.

Dover as a Health-Resort and Place of Residence, its Climate, etc. By Charles Parsons, M.D. London: 1868.

Health and Meteorology of Newcastle and Gateshead, 1868.

Theory of the Treatment of Diseases. By W. Macleod. London: 1868.

Schools Inquiry Commission. London: 1868.

Statistical Tables of the Patients under Treatment in the Wards of St. Bartholomew's Hospital during 1867. By Reginald Southey and Alfred Willett.

A Woman's Work on Water-Cure and Sanitary Education. By Mrs. M. S. Gove Nichols. London: 1868.