

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: SPECIAL MEETING.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the Metropolitan Counties Branch will be held at 37, Soho Square, on Tuesday, December 8th, at 4 P.M., to consider the address issued by a Committee of the Association in reference to the Direct Representation of the Profession in the Medical Council. (See BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, Nov. 7, pp. 506-7.)

A. P. STEWART, M.D. }
ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D. } *Honorary Secretaries.*
London, November 17th, 1868.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH.

THE next ordinary meeting of the above Branch will be held at the York House, Bath, on Thursday evening, December 10th, at 8 P.M.; R. N. STONE, Esq., President.

CHARLES STEELE, }
R. S. FOWLER, } *Honorary Secretaries.*
12, Meridian Place, Clifton, November 1868.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETINGS.

THE first ordinary meeting of the Branch for the present session was held at the Midland Institute, Birmingham, on Thursday, October 8th, at 3 P.M. Present, C. A. NEWNHAM, Esq., President, in the Chair; and forty-five members.

New Members.—The following new members were elected:—J. M. Ballenden, M.D., Sedgley; J. Cooke, M.B., Tettenhall; J. Fraser, M.D., Wolverhampton; E. Haughton, M.D., Great Malvern; W. B. Lamb, Esq., Altrington; G. W. Malim, Esq., Bilston; R. B. Moore, Esq., Wolverhampton; C. L. H. Pemberton, Esq., Bembury; E. Turner, Esq., Wadsley.

Communications.—1. Mr. VINCENT JACKSON exhibited the Right Mamma of a married woman aged 40, affected with Multiple Fibrous Adenocoele. The tumours, three in number, the largest being of the size of a large walnut, had existed for two years. Pain had been frequently felt, but not at any time with great severity. Before operation, the lobed character of the tumours was well manifested, assisted in a great measure by the lean condition of the patient; and their elasticity under digital pressure, as compared with the hardness of scirrhus, was also worthy of notice.

2. Mr. JACKSON also exhibited, for Mr. HADEN of Sedgley, six Carpal and three Metacarpal Bones of a Pig's Foot, the contents of a strangulated Inguinal Hernia. The case was that of an old man admitted into the Dudley Workhouse for strangulated inguinal hernia of many days' duration. On the day preceding the strangulation, he partook of a pig's foot for dinner, swallowing several of the small bones. Mr. Haden operated, but found that the bowel had extensively given way, and removed, through the lesion, the bones one by one.

3. Dr. BALTHAZAR FOSTER exhibited a specimen of Tricuspid Stenosis. The segments of the tricuspid valves were matted together, so as to reduce the right auriculo-ventricular opening to a small circular aperture admitting only the tip of the forefinger. The walls of the right auricle were thickened, and the auricle was greatly dilated. There was also mitral stenosis. The physical signs observed during life were, a distinct diastolic murmur audible at the ensiform cartilage and right edge of the sternum, growing fainter towards the left apex (until the area of the direct mitral murmur was reached), but inaudible at the base of the heart; distension of the jugular veins; lateral increase of cardiac dullness; and a diastolic thrill, very perceptible over the right heart. The condition dated from a rheumatic attack seven years ago. Dr. Foster laid down the physical signs above mentioned as characteristic of the lesion.

4. Mr. SAMPSON GAMGEE exhibited a Tongue which he had removed by the *écraseur* from a patient at the Queen's Hospital. It presented deep ulceration, confined to the left half of the tongue. The whole of the disease appeared to be removed.

5. Mr. PEMBERTON related the history of a case of Popliteal Aneurism cured by ligature of the femoral artery. Compression had been previously adopted without effect, though maintained effectively by means of spring compresses alternately applied at the groin and at the

apex of Scarpa's triangle; and afterwards by means of a bag of shot, held in place by relays of dressers.

6. Dr. HESLOP read a very interesting paper on the Application of Modern Ideas to Infantile Therapeutics.

The communications gave rise to interesting discussion.

The second meeting was held on November 2nd. Present, C. A. NEWNHAM, Esq., President, in the Chair; and fifty-four members.

Representation of the Profession in the Medical Council.—Mr. BARTLEET, Honorary Secretary, read a letter from the General Secretary of the Association, requesting that the attention of the Branch be drawn to the address of the Committee of Council (published in the JOURNAL) with regard to the Direct Representation of the Profession in the General Medical Council. Mr. Bartleet stated that he had written letters, to the number of fifty, to all the candidates for Parliament in this neighbourhood.

It was proposed by the President, Mr. NEWNHAM, seconded by Mr. ALFRED BAKER, and supported by Mr. CLAYTON and Mr. GAMGEE, and carried unanimously—

"That this meeting cordially approves of the course taken by the Committee of Council, and by the Committee appointed at the Oxford meeting, towards securing the direct representation of the profession in the General Medical Council; and this meeting urges upon the members of the Branch to give their earnest support to the movement."

Various scientific communications were also read, which will be reported in our next issue.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST SURREY AND SUSSEX DISTRICT MEETINGS.

A MEETING was held on Thursday, November 19th, at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford. The chair was taken by Mr. ALBERT NAPPER at 4 P.M.

Next Meeting.—It was arranged that the next meeting of the Society should be held at Horsham on Thursday, February 21st, 1869, and that Mr. J. D. Matthews be requested to take the chair.

Papers, &c., 1.—Mr. SYDNEY JONES read a very interesting paper upon Excision of the Joints, drawing attention especially to those cases which were suitable for the operation. Mr. Jones also exhibited an interesting specimen from a recent case of excision of the knee-joint. Mr. Jones received the thanks of the meeting for his valuable paper. 2. Mr. ALBERT NAPPER read a very interesting paper upon Moveable Iron Fever Hospitals for village use. Mr. Napper also exhibited plans and a model. It was suggested that the matter should be brought under the notice of the medical officer to the Privy Council. 3. Mr. Napper also exhibited a preparation and photograph from a case where Spontaneous Dislocation of the Knee took place. 4. Mr. J. B. STEDMAN made some valuable remarks on a case of Enteritis.

TESTIMONIAL TO MR. HECKSTALL SMITH.—Dr. HOLMAN read a letter from Mr. J. M. Burton on the subject of the proposed testimonial to Mr. Heckstall Smith. Dr. Holman drew attention to the honourable, courageous, and unselfish manner in which Mr. Smith had acted in defending the action brought against him.

The Dinner took place at 5:30 P.M. at the Angel Hotel, and was well attended.

NORTHERN BRANCH: SPECIAL MEETING.

A SPECIAL meeting of the members of the Northern Branch was held in the Library of the Newcastle Infirmary on Wednesday, November 25th; Dr. GIBSON of Newcastle in the Chair.

Direct Representation of the Profession in the General Medical Council.—The address from the Committee appointed at the Oxford meeting was read by Dr. PHILIPSON, Honorary Secretary. It was moved by Mr. LEONARD ARMSTRONG (South Shields), seconded by Dr. NEWCOMBE (Gateshead), and unanimously carried—

"That this meeting cordially approves of the address of the Committee appointed at the Oxford meeting of the Association, respecting the direct representation of the profession in the General Medical Council."

It was also moved by Mr. RICHARD CLARKE (Newcastle), seconded by Dr. REID (Newbiggin-by-the-Sea), and unanimously carried—

"That a memorial to Her Majesty's Government, and petitions to both Houses of Parliament, in support of the Medical Acts Amendment Bill, and in favour of the direct representation of the profession in the General Medical Council, be presented by the Northern Branch of the British Medical Association; and that such memorial and petitions be prepared and signed by the President and Honorary Secretary."

On the motion of Mr. HENRY WILSON (Marske, Redcar), a vote of thanks to the Chairman was carried by acclamation.

I would unfrock all men who professedly depart from the accepted rules and teachings of the schools in which they were educated. Common sense would dictate this. To be of a body, and yet against the body, is contrary to the body's good; so let the body cast it out. The profession would be no losers; the public would be no losers. On the devoted head of the offender would the mischief deservedly fall.

I am, etc., PERCY LESLIE, M.D.
Birmingham, November 1868.

THE NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE COLLEGE.

SIR,—I see that, in the issue of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL for November 7th last, p. 501, the number of students attending at the Newcastle-upon-Tyne College of Medicine, in connection with the University of Durham, is put down at twenty-seven. This, allow me to inform you, is not the correct number; it ought to have been forty-two. Perhaps you will kindly make this known in the next number.

I am, etc., D. EMBLETON, M.D.,
Registrar Newcastle-upon-Tyne College of Medicine in connection with the University of Durham.

Eldon Square, Newcastle, November 1868.

MR. J. F. CLARKE AND THE MEDICAL PRESS.

SIR,—Will you kindly grant me a small space in your valuable JOURNAL, to thank the numerous gentlemen who have written to me respecting my temporary retirement from the medical press. I regret I have not time to answer them individually, but I trust they will accept this mode of my grateful acknowledgment of their kind expressions towards me.

I am, etc., J. F. CLARKE.

ANEURISM OF THE PULMONARY ARTERY AS A SOURCE OF HÆMOPTYSIS.

SIR,—In your impression of this day, I observe a letter from Dr. R. P. Cotton, under the above heading, in which, referring to a paper by Mr. Fearn of Derby, published in the *Lancet* in the year 1841, he says: "Mr. Fearn's case, indeed, complete and important though it was, seems to have been altogether forgotten." If Dr. Cotton will refer to the *Edinburgh Medical Journal* for the present month, page 400, he will see that Mr. Fearn's case, though it may have been forgotten at home, has attracted attention abroad. It is quoted at full length in a paper by Dr. Vald. Rasmussen of Copenhagen, published in the Danish journal the *Hospitals-Tidende*, February and March 1868, on "Hæmoptysis, especially when fatal, in its Anatomical and Clinical Aspects." In this essay, Dr. Rasmussen reports seven or eight cases of his own, in which fatal hæmoptysis was due to aneurism of the pulmonary artery, and with these he quotes *in extenso* all the cases which he succeeded in discovering on record in medical literature. These latter were only three in number; and "it is very remarkable", adds Dr. Rasmussen, "that, although the cause of the formation of these aneurisms, cavernous pulmonary phthisis, is so universally met with and common to all nations, all the three reports are from England, which, as is well known, is distinguished, among many other things, by its richness in aneurisms." The three cases of hæmoptysis proceeding from aneurism of the pulmonary artery so quoted are: that by Mr. Fearn already alluded to (*Lancet*, 1840-41, vol. i, p. 679); one by Dr. Cotton himself (*Medical Times and Gazette*, vol. i, 1866, No. 811 for Jan. 13, p. 37); and one, which also seems to have escaped Dr. Cotton's observation, brought by Dr. Peacock, in the year 1843, before the Anatomical Society of Edinburgh, and published in the third volume* of the *Edinburgh Monthly Journal*, p. 383. Owing to the great length of Dr. Rasmussen's essay, I was obliged to abridge my translation of it; and I, therefore, contented myself with simply referring to the three cases taken from British literature, as being all easily accessible to the English reader. The concluding portion of the translation will appear in the December number of the *Edinburgh Medical Journal*.

I am, etc., WILL. D. MOORE, M.D.
40, Fitzwilliam Square West, Dublin, Nov. 1868.

MURDER OF A MEDICAL STUDENT IN DUBLIN.—We regret to observe it stated that, on Wednesday afternoon, a medical student, named Miles, was murdered, close to Moore's statue, in College Street. The skull was fractured. He was insensible when taken to the hospital, and died shortly after his admission. A man, who assisted in bringing him to the hospital, stated that he saw three men, whose names he gave, attack the deceased.

OBITUARY.

JOSEPH BROWN, M.D., SUNDERLAND.

THE death is announced of this highly respected physician, at the age of 95. He served with distinction in the Peninsula, and, after the battle of Waterloo, settled in Sunderland. As a contributor to medical literature, in Sir J. Forbes's *Cyclopaedia of Practical Medicine* and the *British and Foreign Review*, as a philosophic and cultivated writer and thinker on general subjects of religious and social interest, as an active magistrate and philanthropist, Dr. Brown was widely respected and beloved by his profession and his fellow-townsmen.

MEDICAL NEWS.

RESULTS OF METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS

for the week from Nov. 18th to 24th (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	29.887
Highest reading of do. (corrected and reduced), on 19th, 10 A.M.	30.400
Lowest ditto	29.102
Range of pressure during the week	1.298
Mean temperature of the air in the shade	43.1
Mean temperature of evaporation	41.3
Mean temperature of dew-point	39.1
Mean degree of humidity (saturation=100)	86.0
Mean maximum temperature of the week	47.8
Mean minimum temperature of the week	36.1
Calculated mean temperature of the week	41.9
Maximum temperature of air in shade, on 22nd	53.5
Minimum temperature (protected), on 20th	25.5
Minimum temperature (exposed on grass), on 20th	18.3
Range of temperature during week	35.2
Highest reading of black bulb, solar radiation, thermometer <i>in vacuo</i> , on 20th	88.0
Lowest ditto	48.7
Mean amount of clouds (0—10)	6.6
Total rainfall (which fell on 21st, 22nd, and 23rd)	0.756 inch
Mean amount of ozone (0—10)	2.6

WIND.

	N	NE	E	SE	S	SW	W	NW	Calm.	Mean Force (0—12)
10 A.M.	0	1	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	2.4
2 P.M.	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	1	0	2.4
10 P.M.	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	1.4
Mean force of wind (0—12)	2.1									

The weather of the week has been dull and variable. Atmospheric pressure has on an average been lower by nearly half an inch than last week, while the range has been very considerably greater. Temperature and humidity have both been greater, and the range of temperature has also been increased. Winds have been variable, and on the whole light, though it blew a moderate gale from the south-west on the 22nd. The sky has during the day been mostly cloudy, while the evenings and nights have more generally been clear. Rheumatic and pulmonary affections are somewhat prevalent in the neighbourhood, while the general health of Kew is good.

Kew, November 25th, 1868.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.—The following are the names of candidates who passed the Second M.B. Examination.

First Division.

Anderson, Tempest, B.Sc., University College
Batt, Charles Dorrington, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Birt, Joseph, General Hospital, Birmingham
Eager, Reginald, Guy's Hospital
Haynes, Frederick Harry, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Hilliard, Henry Charles, Guy's Hospital
Leech, Daniel John, Royal Manchester School of Medicine
Loy, Thomas Richardson, University College
Makens, John, Guy's Hospital
Poore, George Vivian, University College
Richards, William Alsept, King's College
Ridge, John James, B.A., B.Sc., St. Thomas's Hospital
Taylor, Frederick, Guy's Hospital

Second Division.

Buckle, William Turberville, King's College
 Crowfoot, Edward Bowles, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
 Fiddian, Alexander Paull, King's College
 Kenyon, George Arthur, St. George's Hospital
 Langmore, John Wreford, University College
 McCarthy, Jeremiah (M.A. Dub.), London Hospital
 Wyman, John Sanderson, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
 Yeo, Isaac Burney, King's College

Honours Examination (†Deserving of Scholarship.)—Medicine.

First Class.

Poore, G. V. (Scholarship and Gold Medal), University College
 †Richards, William Alesept (Gold Medal), King's College
 †Anderson, Tempest, University College } equal
 †Taylor, Frederick, Guy's Hospital
 Ridge, John James, St. Thomas's Hospital
 Eager, Reginald, Guy's Hospital
 Haynes, Frederick Harry, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

Midwifery.

First Class.

Taylor, Frederick (Scholarship and Gold Medal), Guy's Hospital
 †Richards, William Alesept (Gold Medal), King's College
 †Eager, Reginald, Guy's Hospital
 †Anderson, Tempest, University College
 Leech, Daniel John, Royal Manchester School of Medicine

Second Class.

Ridge, John James, St. Thomas's Hospital
 Poore, George Vivian, University College

Forensic Medicine.

First Class.

Taylor, Frederick (Scholarship and Gold Medal), Guy's Hospital
 †Eager, Reginald (Gold Medal), Guy's Hospital
 †Batt, Charles Dorrington, St. Bartholomew's Hospital

Third Class.

Anderson, Tempest, University College
 Poore, George Vivian, University College

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—Names of gentlemen who passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, November 19th, 1868.

Colson, Edward, Great Hamead, Herts
 Duke, Joshua, 272, Kemington Park Road
 Paterson, Walter Hugh, Brigg, Lincolnshire
 Taylor, Joseph Ogilvie, Whitby, Yorkshire

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examinations for the diploma, were admitted members of the College at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on Nov. 19th:—

Booth, Edward Johnson Hardy, L.S.A., Huddersfield (St. Thomas's)
 Brown, Samuel Stainton, Lewisham (Guy's)
 Butcher, William Deane, Maidstone (St. Bartholomew's)
 Clarke, Francis Edward, M.B. Dub., Dunfanaghy, Donegal (Dublin School)
 Cole, Richard Mount, L.R.C.P. Lond. and L.S.A., Rochester (Guy's)
 Curnow, John, Penzance (King's College)
 Dickson, John Robinson, M.D. Kingston, Canada
 Jackson, Samuel, L.R.C.P. Edin. and L.S.A., Halifax, Yorkshire (Guy's)
 Robinson, George, L.S.A., Spilsby, Lincolnshire (London)
 Staveley, William Henry, Reading (St. Mary's)
 Wadrey, George, L.R.C.P. Lond. and L.S.A., Hayle, Cornwall (Guy's)

It is stated that *three* candidates failed to acquit themselves to the satisfaction of the Court of Examiners, and were consequently referred to their hospital studies for six months. Out of the sixty-seven candidates, two retired without completing their examinations; twelve were referred to additional studies for six months, twenty-five already passed diplomas in *medicine*, and the *surgical* diplomas of eight gentlemen were retained until they shall have passed an examination in medicine at the College, or at some other institution recognised for that purpose.

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are declared:—

ARDEE UNION, co. Louth—Medical Officer for the Collon Dispensary District.
 BALFRON, Stirlingshire—Parochial Medical Officer.
 BILLESDON UNION, Leicestershire—Medical Officer for Western District No. 2.
 BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND FREE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN—Surgeon.
 BRISTOL—Medical Officer for District No. 2, of City of.
 CITY DISPENSARY, Watling Street—Physician.
 CLIFDEN UNION, co. Galway—Medical Officer for the Islands of Innish Coffin and Shark, in the Clifden Dispensary District.
 DROGHEDA UNION, co. Louth—Medical Officer for the Stamullen Dispensary District.
 ENNISCORTHY UNION, co. Wexford—Medical Officer for the Newtownbarrly Dispensary District, and for the Fever Hospital.
 GENERAL HOSPITAL, Nottingham—Assistant House-Surgeon.
 GLASGOW EYE INFIRMARY—Surgeon.
 HAMBLETON UNION—Medical Officer for the Cheddington District.
 HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, Great Ormond Street—Physician.
 LEEDS PUBLIC DISPENSARY—Senior Resident Medical Officer.
 LIVERPOOL SOUTHERN HOSPITAL—Junior House-Surgeon.

LONDON FEVER HOSPITAL, Liverpool Road—Assistant Resident Medical Officer.

NEWPORT UNION, co. Mayo—Medical Officer for the Achill Dispensary District.

OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL, St. George's Circus—Surgeon.

ROCHESTER, CHATHAM, AND STROOD DISPENSARY—Dispenser.

ROYAL INSTITUTION OF GREAT BRITAIN—Fullerian Professor of Physiology.

ROYAL KENT DISPENSARY—House-Surgeon; Surgeon for the Deptford District; Resident Medical Officer.

ST. PANCRAS—Medical Officer of Health.

STOURBRIDGE DISPENSARY—Surgeon.

SUNDERLAND GENERAL INFIRMARY AND DISPENSARY—Physician.

TRINITY COLLEGE, Dublin—Professor of Botany.

TULLAMORE UNION, King's County—Medical Officer for the Killoughey Dispensary District.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL—Physician to the Skin Infirmary.

WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL—Resident House-Physician.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

Names marked with an asterisk are those of Members of the Association.

BARNISH, W. C., Esq., appointed House-Surgeon to the Chorlton-upon-Medlock Dispensary, Manchester.

*BEALES, Robert, M.D., J.P., appointed Mayor of Congleton for the ensuing year.

BLAKE, C. Carter, D. és S., F.G.S., has been appointed Lecturer on Comparative Anatomy and Zoology at Westminster Hospital School of Medicine.

*BROWNE, Chas. W., Esq., late Medical Officer, Royal Gardens, Kew, to be District Surgeon of Stockenstrom, Cape Colony, South Africa.

HOLDSWORTH, Samuel, M.D., elected Mayor of Wakefield for the ensuing year.

*KITE, W. J., Esq., appointed Medical Officer of Health for West Bromwich.

LEVETON, Edward J., Esq., has been appointed Surgeon to the Royal Cornwall Infirmary, Truro, in the room of Slyman Mitchell, Esq., deceased.

NORTON, G. Everitt, Esq., appointed Senior House-Surgeon at the Middlesex Hospital, *vice* H. Case, Esq.

SWINDELL, T. J., Esq., appointed the Junior House-Surgeon at the Middlesex Hospital, *vice* G. E. Norton, Esq.

BIRTHS.

BUTLER.—On November 11th, at Ormonde House, Guildford, the wife of *T. M. Butler, Esq., M.R.C.S.E., of a son.

ELLIS.—On November 14th, at Poole, Dorset, the wife of *Helen D. Ellis, Esq., Surgeon, of a daughter.

HAYWARD.—On November 7th, at Harley Street, the wife of *H. Howard Hayward, Esq., of a daughter;

DEATH.

NISBETT.—On November 14th, at Gravesend, aged 4½ years, Vernon Innes Hadlow, third child of *R. Innes Nisbett, Esq., Surgeon.

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

Dr. Oxley, Liverpool; Mr. Toogood, Torquay; Mr. F. W. Parsons, Islip; Mr. J. E. Cook, Gainsborough; The Medical Officers and Lecturers of Charing Cross Hospital; Mr. H. Greenwood, Liverpool; Mr. C. Carter Blake, London; Mr. Leveton, Truro; Dr. P. Leslie, Birmingham; Mr. H. Greenway, Plymouth; Dr. Heslop, Birmingham; Dr. Kidd, London; Mr. Simpson, Manchester; Dr. Roth, London; Dr. U. C. Kastogrees, Maldah, Bengal; Dr. H. Norris, South Petherton; Sir Henry Thompson, London; The Honorary Secretary of the Western Medical and Surgical Society; Dr. B. W. Foster, Birmingham; Dr. E. Ballard, London; Mr. N. Heckford, London; Dr. Basham, London; Mr. R. Quain, London; Mr. S. Solly, London; Mr. J. C. Brough, London; Dr. Ogle, London; Dr. Wolfe, Glasgow; Mr. T. Spencer Wells, London; Dr. Fuller, London; Dr. Lankester, London; Messrs. Ellis and Sons, Ruthin, North Wales; Dr. Tilt, London; Dr. Hall Davis, London; Mr. C. Penfold, London; Dr. George Johnson, London; Dr. Tanner, London; Mr. H. Power, London; Mr. W. Sharpey, London; Mr. J. Paget, London; Dr. Ralfe, Doncaster; and Mr. H. D. Ellis, Poole, Dorset.

LETTERS, ETC. (with enclosures) from:—

Dr. James Russell, Birmingham; Mr. H. Lee, London; Mr. T. H. Bartleet, Birmingham; Mr. Street, London; Dr. Huntley, Jarrow-on-Tyne; The Honorary Secretary of St. Andrew's Medical Graduates' Association; Dr. G. H. Philipson, Newcastle-upon-Tyne; Dr. Warwick, Richmond; Dr. Sanderson, London; Dr. Buzzard, London; Dr. Beigel, London; Professor Wanklyn, London; Mr. Shedd, Manchester; Dr. Treutler, Kew; Dr. John Murray, London; The Secretary of Apothecaries' Hall; The Registrar-General of Ireland; The Registrar-General of England; Mr. T. M. Stone, London; Dr. Sedgwick, London; Dr. R. Beales, Congleton; Dr. Oppert, London; Mr. Fowler, Bath; Mrs. Baines, London; Dr. Taaffe, Brighton; Mr. C. W. Browne, Seymour, Stockenstrom, Cape Colony, South Africa; Dr. Samelson, Manchester; Dr. J. Morton, Guildford; Mr. J. Broadbent, Manchester; The Secretary of the Hereford General Infirmary; Dr. Thomas Littleton, Plymouth; Mr. C. Steele, Clifton; Dr. Drysdale, London; Mr. Turner, Reading; The Editor of the "Poor-Law Chronicle", London; Dr. J. G. Swaync, Clifton; Dr. Bradbury, Cambridge; and Mr. J. Messent, London.

BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED.

Lectures on Surgery. By James Spence, F.R.S.E. Part I. Edinburgh: 1868.
 Handbook of Uterine Therapeutics, and the Diseases of Women. By Ed. John Tilt, M.D. London: 1868.
 Half-Yearly Compendium of Medical Science. Part II. July. London and New York. 1868.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY Metropolitan 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.
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.
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.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.—Medical Society of London, 8 P.M. Mr. Chas. Jas. Fox, "A Case of Removal of Breast under Nitrous Oxide"; Mr. Hunt, "On the Application of Chloric Ether to Sloughing and Irritable Wounds"; Dr. Chambers, "Cases of Carbolic Acid Treatment"; Mr. Alfred Haviland, "On the Geographical Distribution of Cancer in England and Wales, with Illustrations by Maps, etc."
TUESDAY.—Pathological Society of London, 8 P.M.—Anthropological Society of London
WEDNESDAY.—Obstetrical Society of London, 7 P.M. Council Meeting. 8 P.M. Mr. Squire, "On Infantile Temperatures in Health and Disease;" Dr. Copeman, "On the Treatment of Imperforate Hymen;" and other papers.—Geological Society.
THURSDAY.—Harveian Society of London, 8 P.M. Mr. Berkeley Hill, "On Carbolic Acid in Surgical Practice."—Royal Society.—Linnæan Society.—Chemical Society.
FRIDAY.—Western Medical and Surgical Society of London, 8 P.M. "Remarks on the Pathology and Treatment of Epilepsy."

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.

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

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NEW MEMBERS.—The names of new members proposed by Dr. Leared, Dr. E. Symes Thompson, and Dr. Watson, will be duly put in course for election. Dr. Samelson (Manchester), Dr. Bright (Norwood), Mr. A. Fleischmann (Cheltenham), Dr. J. Broadbent (Manchester), Dr. Philipson (Newcastle), and Mr. Penfold (Poplar), are thanked. Forms of proposal for new members have been forwarded to them by post.

SCARLATINA.

SIR,—Having regard to the existing epidemic of scarlatina, it would be highly interesting to ascertain, as far as possible, to what extent the disease, in its latent form, affects the present rate of mortality. For my own part, I recently recorded a cause of death as "capillary bronchitis". I only saw the child when it was at the point of death; but I had no doubt in my own mind that scarlatinal poisoning was the true cause. The presence of albuminuria is my standard in these cases; in the above, I had no opportunity of applying the test. Since forwarding my paper of last week, I have had many instances of secondary complications as the result of latent scarlatina. The ordinary history given is as follows:—A child has some little febrile disturbance. No particular notice is taken of it. The child attends school or runs about the house as usual. Soon, some puffiness of the face is noticed; and, to the surprise of all, there occurs a sudden attack of bronchitis and suppression of urine, with or without delirium and semi-coma. I fear scarlatina is, in fact, much more fatal than is generally supposed. I am, etc.

East London Hospital for Children, Nov. 1868.

N. HECKFORD.

MR. J. SIMPSON (Manchester).—Dr. McCull Anderson's address is Woodside Place, Glasgow.

MR. J. E. COOK (Gainsborough).—Mr. Paget's paper was published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of October 24th. But it was "On Stammering with other organs than those of Speech." A very interesting and valuable memoir, "On Stammering considered as a Vice of Pronunciation," has been published by M. Chirin aine. (Du Bégayement considéré comme une Vice de Prononciation). It may be obtained through Baillière, Regent Street, or Williams and Norgate, Henrietta Street.

WE are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news reports and other matters of medical interest:—The Wiltshire County Mirror, Nov. 25th; The Sussex Advertiser, Nov. 17th; The Aberdeen Journal, Nov. 18th; The Aberdeen Free Press, Nov. 20th; Saunders's Dublin News-Letter and Daily Advertiser, Nov. 23rd.

OBSTETRICIAN.—You will find the desired information in our advertising columns of this week.

A CANDIDATE.—We cannot comply with your request until next week. Four of the senior candidates were rejected for the Fellowship on Wednesday. Those not in possession of a medical degree will be examined in Medicine next week.

SPEAR V. DOIDGE.

WE have further received for the Fund raised in connexion with this case, at the office of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL: £2:2 from Mr. Greenway, of Plymouth; £1:1, W. B. Dalby, M.D., H.M.S. *Implacable*, Devonport; £1:1, Thos. Littleton, M.B., Plymouth. We may remind our associates that, in this case, a patient brought an action against a surgeon for alleged unskilfulness in the treatment of a complicated injury of the bones of the forearm, including the elbow-joint. The whole weight of the surgical evidence, and, we may add, the whole force of skilled professional opinion since the trial, has exculpated Mr. Doidge. But the trial ended in a verdict for the plaintiff; and Mr. Doidge has been mulct in a sum of near £500. His immediate friends and neighbours in the profession, and the leading practitioners of the vicinity, have testified practical sympathy with him. We venture to think that it is a case in which the profession generally may be expected to take interest; and to assist in lightening the unjust burden which the chances of practice have thus imposed upon a fellow practitioner.

DR. H. JOHNSON.—The statements referred to as to the Pharmacy Bill were nothing less than characteristically elaborate and ludicrous blunder.

THE LATE MR. JUMP.

THE following additional subscriptions have been received by the Rev. G. W. Winter, Earl of Leicester, £5; P. Ransome, F.R.C.S., £2:2; Mr. Hewitt (Stamford), 10s. 6d.; Gordon Rich, Esq. (Tonbridge), £2; A Friend, by T. Palmer, Esq., £5; Q. E. D., by Dr. Lowe, £1:1; Rev. B. Edwards, £5; Mr. J. Hastings, £1; Miss Fanny Blake, £1; Mr. H. Childs (Lexham), £1; Mr. Palmer (Gayton Thorpe), £5; B. A. L., £1; R. Johnson, Esq. (Canterbury), £5; E. Reeve, Esq. (Swaffham), 10s.; R. Campbell, Esq. (Fakenham), £3; J. Bradfield, Esq. (Stoke Ferry), £2:2; Rev. J. N. Sparke, £1; Miss Sheringham, 10s. 6d.; Mrs. Rudge, sen., 10s. 6d.; Dr. Rudge (Fakenham), £1:1; Miss J. Allison (Hingham), £2:2; Mrs. Muskett (Thorpe), £1; Mrs. Forby (Tittleshall), 10s.; W. Seppings, Esq. (Lynn), £2:2; Mrs. Seppings, £1:1; Rev. W. Beckett (Ingoldsthorpe), £1; — Brown, Esq. (Titchwell), £1; Mr. Wells (Spoule), 10s.; J. Buscoll (Dereham), £1; W. P. Nicholls, Esq. (Norwich), £1:1; A Friend, £1; J. F. Watson, Esq. (Wingham), £1; Mr. H. Overman, £1:1; Mrs. Overman, £1; C. B. Rose, Esq. (Yarmouth), £1; Mr. Norton (S. Rainham), £1:1; Miss E. L. Norton, £1; Mr. C. J. Coes (Dersingham), £1; E. W. (Norwich), £2; Mrs. C. Reynolds, £1:1; Mrs. Davies, £1; M. E. A. G., £1; J. Vincent, M.D. (Dereham); Mrs. F. Long (Worthing), £2:2; W. Cadge, Esq. (Norwich), £2:2.

DR. Z. JOHNSON (Kilkenny).—1. We are glad to receive "notes" and to insert or answer "queries". 2. It is simply impossible, by any contrivance known to any bookseller, to cut the leaves of a weekly journal such as this, having so large a circulation and going to press on the night before its publication in the morning. To cut the leaves of so large an impression would involve a delay of at least twenty-four hours, and can only be done for periodicals which only profess to be a compilation of old news, and for which such a delay is unimportant. It is, moreover, we are informed, in the case of a weekly journal, illegal and contrary to the postal regulations. We are much obliged for our correspondent's kind expressions of good-will.

L. H.—We are strongly of opinion that the medical officers should make it part of the programme to obtain separate payment for medicines.

RUSTICUS.—X. L. and Dr. Langton must, we fear, be disappointed, as we have no further information on the subject than themselves, and are, for various reasons, much indisposed to ask for it at present.

MR. SALTER (Tolleshunt D'Arcy).—1. All communications concerning the JOURNAL should be addressed to the office, and not to the house of the editor. 2. All letters received are duly considered; but, with every desire to shew personal courtesy, it is impossible to send written replies, except under special circumstances.

DR. HUNTLEY'S (Jarrow-on-Tyne) literary criticisms are not without good foundation; but, sympathising with the good objects of the circular, we should be loth to print anything which could detract from its authority. Perhaps, the Committee of the Poor-law Medical Officers' Association, which includes many able writers, as well as earnest and thinking men, will, in future, be a little more careful of the wording of their circulars; the last was probably penned hurriedly.

THE result of the recent election at the Carlisle Infirmary, appears to have given rise to some considerable dissatisfaction. The vacant appointment was one of Physician to the Infirmary. Two highly respected physicians, of adequate qualifications, were candidates; they seem to have been passed over for one who is practising as general practitioner and in club practice. Moreover, this election seems to illustrate the disadvantages of the system of canvassing, and the misunderstandings which prevail as to the real meaning and value of medical degrees and titles. We confess that, in the present state of medico-public relations, we do not see the way very clearly to a remedy; but it is an obvious evil, that hospital general practitioners should be exposed to severe competition in practice from those whose external position is that of consultants; and that lay governors should vote indiscriminately, under the influence of a canvass, for the most important asker, without taking means to refer the professional claims of the candidates, in the first instance, to a professional tribunal.

LL.S. (Durham).—The Representative of the University of Durham in the General Medical Council, Dr. Embleton, is much respected in the Medical Council, and his return is one which we had great pleasure in announcing. We know nothing of the circumstances under which Dr. T. T. Pyle was nominated as representative of the University of Durham in the Medical Council; nor have we any knowledge of that gentleman's position and attainments. But we are far from considering that "A Medical Practitioner" is justified in attacking the University, or in assailing that gentleman as "a colliery club-doctor". There is no reason why a general practitioner should not be returned to the Medical Council, to sit beside "the most learned and most exalted" persons whom the Medical Practitioner names, in his letter to the *Newcastle Journal*. On the contrary, there are a great many reasons why he should; and, irrespective of all personal questions, we could greatly desire to see a greater admixture of ranks in the General Medical Council, which is at present composed too exclusively, for its own strength and representative of consulting practitioners.