

(those of a "lymphatic" constitution having a greater predisposition); and the type of work undertaken in the mines. Then follows a section on the pathology of the condition, which is marred by the few and indifferently reproduced photomicrographs, the degree of whose magnification is not given.

In a monograph such as this we had hoped for a discourse on the pathological features (and especially the complications) rather than a statement of facts already well known. Dr. Dooner rightly emphasizes that the diagnosis of silicosis depends little on symptoms and signs: a history of exposure and expert radiological interpretation are all-important. This being so, it is unfortunate that the fourteen skiagrams included are so poorly reproduced that even such a gross lesion as a large cavity (for example, that marked by arrows in Fig. 15, p. 123) requires the eye of faith to distinguish it. Moreover, the author intends many of these skiagrams to illustrate the numerous existing elaborate classifications of silicosis—North American, South African, English, German, and South American—and this aim is hardly achieved. It seems a pity that more has not been made out of such material.

A. MORTON GILL.

RIPE RECOLLECTION

The Occasion Fleeting. By Hugh Barber. (Pp. 200. 15s.) London: H. K. Lewis and Co. 1947.

Dr. Hugh Barber has written the best sort of autobiography. In these essays he has drawn an attractive self-portrait, setting himself solidly between covers so that the reader may share his experience, his pleasures, his ideas, and his prejudices. Their chief merit lies in the author's shrewd observation of men and women, in his devotion to his profession and his care for its traditions. The publication of these essays just now has a particular importance because physicians of the author's generation not only forged the link between the art and science of medicine, but they have carried the ideals of English medicine from the death of the old system to the birth of the new. There is much here to inspire and encourage the young medical practitioner—particularly the family doctor—as he emerges into his new status, and also not a little to warn him. For the author says to him in effect, "You are packing for your journey; well, I should take this with you; and this, too, it would be a misfortune to discard; that looks old-fashioned and a bit threadbare, but like the gold-headed cane it has a tradition behind it."

These essays are witty, allusive, colloquial in style, and they are crowded with quotation and anecdote. They are garnished with delightful fables, of which the following short example must serve:

"Some people," said the Healthy Man, "recommend a routine medical examination once or twice a year."

"Yes," said the Doctor.

"You, yourself," said the Healthy Man, "could have such an examination without expense and with little inconvenience."

"Yes," said the Doctor.

"When were you examined?" asked the Healthy Man.

"I hardly remember," said the Doctor. "Once, I think, as a medical student, once for life insurance before I got married, and again in the 1914 war for military service."

"I see," said the Healthy Man. "Thank you."

Of the author's writing it may be said that he has studied the best masters, but he does not seek to imitate them. If one may borrow a metaphor from his beloved game of cricket, although his bat has a short uplift he knows where to put his left foot and his left elbow; he knows too what he can do and, Yorkshire-like, is neither frightened by this knowledge nor deterred by the spectators; while, most important and most characteristic of all, he is never tempted to wild indiscretions half-way down the pitch. Altogether this is a book which any senior physician would be glad to have written and which any young physician would do well to read.

D. V. HUBBLE.

Eléments de Physiologie Humaine (Paris: Librairie Maloine. Paper 150 fr.; bound 350 fr.) is one of a series written by Prof. L. Launoy and intended for students at the Faculté de Pharmacie of Paris. He seems to stress the chemical aspect, but it is up to date and well written despite its sometimes having the appearance of a compilation. There are relatively few figures—probably because the book is intended as a companion to a course of lectures.

BOOKS RECEIVED

[Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received]

Internal Medicine in General Practice. By R. P. McCombs, B.S., M.D., F.A.C.P. 2nd ed. (Pp. 741. 42s.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1947.

An account of the medical problems most commonly met with in general practice.

XII Conferencia Sanitaria Panamericana. Nos. 3-10, 12, 15, 17, 20-30. Caracas: Editorial Grafolit. 1946.

Papers read at the conference.

Science News V. Edited by John Enogat. (Pp. 165. 1s.) Penguin Books. 1947.

Essays in popular science on such topics as microscopes, meteors, speleology, and rain.

Synopsis of Obstetrics. By J. C. Litzenberg, B.Sc., M.D., F.A.C.S. 3rd ed. (Pp. 416. 27s. 6d.) London: Henry Kimpton. 1947.

A synopsis with many diagrams of the elements of obstetrics.

Collected Papers of the Mayo Clinic and the Mayo Foundation. Vol. XXXVIII. Edited by R. M. Hewitt, B.A., M.A., M.D., et al. (Pp. 915. £3 3s.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1947.

A collection designed primarily to meet the requirements of the general practitioner and general surgeon.

A Textbook of Pathology. By William Boyd, M.D., Dipl. Psych., M.R.C.P.Ed., F.R.C.P. 5th ed. (Pp. 1,049. £2 8s.) London: Henry Kimpton. 1947.

This well-known textbook includes new material on botryomycosis, giant-cell pneumonia, alloxan diabetes, renal anoxia, folic acid, and pathogenesis of poliomyelitis.

Patología Digestiva. Vol. II. Edited by B. V. Fuentes and A. Munilla. (Pp. 782. No price.) Buenos Aires: Espasa-Calpe. 1947.

The pathology, diagnosis, and treatment of disease of the alimentary tract; with summaries in English.

The Appendix. By R. J. McNeill Love, M.S., F.R.C.S., F.A.C.S. (Pp. 186. 12s. 6d.) London: H. K. Lewis. 1947.

A manual on the appendix, normal and diseased, based on an experience of over 5,000 appendicectomies.

Nothing New Under the Sun. By J. P. Lockhart-Mummery, F.R.C.S., M.A. (Pp. 178. 12s. 6d.) London: Andrew Melrose, Ltd.

Short articles for the layman on medicine and science; illustrated with woodcuts.

Essentials of General Anaesthesia. By R. R. Macintosh, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.S., D.A., and F. B. Bannister, M.A., M.D., D.A. 4th ed. (Pp. 358. 30s.) Oxford: Blackwell. 1947.

A textbook for the medical student and postgraduate.

Vitamine e Bioregolatori. Part I. By O. Carere-Comes. (Pp. 150. No price.) Turin: Edizioni Minerva Medica S.A. 1947.

An account of the vitamins.

Practical Biology for Medical and Intermediate Students. By C. J. Wallis, M.A. 2nd ed. (Pp. 396. 21s.) London: William Heinemann. 1947.

In four parts: Microscopical Technique, Elementary Biochemistry, Plant Biology, and Animal Biology.

A Manual on Dental Metallurgy and Non-Metallic Materials. By E. A. Smith. 6th ed. (Pp. 391. 16s.) London: J. and A. Churchill, Ltd. 1947.

A general account of the metals and non-metals used in dentistry.

Annual Review of Microbiology. Vol. I. Edited by C. E. Clifton, et al. (Pp. 404. 36s. or \$6.) Stanford, California: Annual Reviews, Inc. London: H. K. Lewis. 1947.

Includes papers on malaria parasites, bacterial metabolism, antibiotics, immunization, and respiratory viruses.

work but into the service of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the board of directors of the London Missionary Society. In the Order of St. John he rose to be a knight and assistant surgeon-in-chief of the Brigade. The London Missionary Society honoured him by three times electing him chairman of the board. In his practice he was loved and honoured by his patients, and he built up a considerable reputation as a general surgeon. He was a good committee man and a capable organizer, and on his retirement from practice, in 1934, his services were soon sought by the growing A.R.P. organization. He was appointed assistant hospital officer for the South-Eastern District. After the cessation of hostilities, although seventy, he continued to serve on pension boards and committees, and in such leisure time as he allowed himself he cultivated his garden in Sussex. William Bentall was an enthusiastic traveller, and many of his holidays with his family were spent in Europe and further afield. His photographs were made into lantern slides, and his travel lectures were greatly appreciated by literary and lecture societies all over England. Those who knew him will always remember his quick boyish smile, his clear and impressive way of putting a case, his enthusiasm for any good cause, and above all his tireless energy. He leaves a widow, a son who is a doctor, and two daughters.—I. M. O.

Dr. JOHN MILLER YOUNG, who was the chief executive school medical officer for Glasgow, died suddenly on Nov. 20 at the age of 56. Dr. Young graduated M.B., Ch.B. at Glasgow University in 1914. Shortly after graduation he served in the R.A.M.C. as battalion medical officer to the 15th H.L.I. (City of Glasgow Tramways Battalion). For his services in France he was awarded the Military Cross. Unfortunately, he was so severely wounded in action that he had to undergo amputation of a leg, and his normally robust constitution was severely undermined. At no time, however, did he ever refer to his disability with any bitterness. On the rare occasions on which he did mention the injury he did so with a calm matter-of-factness which was all the more surprising in one who, in his early manhood, had been an athlete of repute. He took the D.P.H. in 1920, and became a Fellow of the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow six years later.

J. M. writes: Young was endowed with an essential sanity of outlook and singleness of purpose; zeal for his profession and thoroughness in execution were his dominant characteristics. In council his words were well weighed, and his criticism was always constructive. Though of somewhat austere aspect, Young was at heart one of the kindest of men and was always ready to place at the disposal of those who were in doubt or difficulty the fruits of his extensive professional experience. He never spared himself in the exercise of his duties, and the high standard which he set for himself he expected from his staff. But he was intolerant of inefficiency or complacency. Apart from his more immediate professional duties Young was a man of many interests, and his work in the Association of School Medical Officers for Scotland, of which he was honorary secretary for many years, was characterized by the same enthusiasm and thoroughness that marked all his work. The Association owes him a debt of gratitude that can never be repaid. At the time of his death Young was a member of the Scottish Council for Research in Education, and was chairman of the committee investigating the sociological conditions of school-children in connexion with the mental survey at present being conducted by the Council. As one who was intimately connected with Dr. Young for a long period of years, both as a friend and a fellow medical officer, I should like to put on record the outstanding place he held in the esteem of his colleagues. His death in the full flower of his career is a grievous loss, and the niche which he occupied in the school medical service will be indeed difficult to fill.

Dr. JOHN RICHARD LARSON died suddenly on Nov. 30 at his home in Birstall, Leicester, where he was in practice for over twenty-five years. His parents were well-known Swedish missionaries in the Middle East, and Richard Larson was born in Tiflis about fifty-four years ago. He was always a good linguist, and spoke seven languages. In his early days at Edinburgh he took a great interest in his fellow students and was a leading light in the International Club. He took the Scottish triple qualification in 1919 and two years later graduated M.B., Ch.B. at Edinburgh. Naturally he followed in the footsteps of his parents, and later became superintendent of the Swedish Hospital in Bethlehem, from 1921 to 1923. It was a great disappointment to him when he had to retire from this post on account of the ill-health of his wife and young family. He returned to practice in Leicester, where he had previously held a resident's post at the Royal Infirmary. He was a member of Birstall Parish Council for many years, a freemason, and divisional surgeon of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. Despite the demands of a busy practice, he led a

very full life during the war, and became local A.R.P. instructor and examiner, and was a serving brother of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem. Richard Larson never would spare himself, and now we mourn an unselfish and loyal friend. His numerous patients will miss his many acts of kindness apart from his professional skill. He leaves a widow, a daughter, and a son.—C.Y.

Dr. WILLIAM FERRDAY JACKSON died at the Manchester Royal Infirmary on Dec. 1 after a motor accident. He qualified M.B., Ch.B. at Owens College in 1897 and took the conjoint diploma in 1899. He was senior house-surgeon to Ancoats Hospital before taking up private practice in Ardwick. He served that area faithfully even up to the time of his death. A surgical colleague described him in simple words: "This gentle character was a real ornament to the profession and was an outstanding general practitioner." Jackson was a big-hearted man who did much good. He was self-effacing but ever ready to lend a helping hand, a philosophic thought, or a wise piece of counsel to those in need. He was beloved by his many patients and his many friends. In masonic circles he was well known as a past master of Lord Stanley Lodge and a provincial officer. He was an excellent after-dinner speaker with a great sense of humour, and took great delight in music. He was for many years a justice of the peace, and served as chairman of the Manchester Division of the Association in 1934-5, of which Division he was a member since 1902. His passing leaves many sad hearts and all mourn the loss of a man devoted to all that is good in life. He leaves a widow and two daughters.

Dr. THOMAS ST. CLAIR SMITH died on Dec. 6 at the age of 71 at Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire, where he had lived for many years. He was educated at St. Paul's School, Cambridge University, and St. George's Hospital, where he took the M.B., B.Chir. in 1903. While still a schoolboy he came into prominence as a sprinter, and astonished London by beating A. R. Downer, the reigning sprint champion, in a 220-yards race at Stamford Bridge off a low handicap mark. It was expected that he would qualify for a blue at Cambridge, but he never did so, partly because he stopped growing earlier than most boys do but even more because he would not take his training sufficiently seriously. His slight, short, wiry figure was in fact more that of the typical long-distance runner than that of a sprint-racer. His interests were entirely those of a countryman, and he never practised in a town, where from a purely worldly point of view he might have attained greater material success. He served in the R.A.M.C. in 1914-18, and retired from practice some years ago.

The Services

Major-General R. W. Galloway, C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., late R.A.M.C., has been appointed Honorary Surgeon to the King, in succession to Major-General W. C. Hartgill, C.B., O.B.E., M.C., late R.A.M.C., retired.

Major-General R. E. Barnsley, C.B., M.C., late R.A.M.C., has been appointed Colonel Commandant of the R.A.M.C. in succession to Major-General O. Ievers, C.B., D.S.O., late R.A.M.C., whose tenure of appointment has expired.

Colonels W. H. Kerr, T.D., and J. P. Clarke, T.D., and Brigadier W. Anderson, O.B.E., R.A.M.C., T.A., have been appointed Honorary Colonels to No. 3 (Western) General Hospital, No. 8 (Western) General Hospital, and No. 5 (Scottish) General Hospital, respectively.

DEATHS IN THE SERVICES

Capt. JAMES ARKLESS, R.A.M.C., who qualified in 1945 and was later house-surgeon at the Tynemouth Victoria Jubilee Infirmary, died suddenly in North-West Germany, on Dec. 6.

A correspondent writes: One of the younger medical officers on the staff of a military hospital, he was the most popular man in the unit. Some of us have known him only under the difficult circumstances which are faced by an Army of Occupation, but as a result of those very difficulties we have known him at his best, for here his gifts of generous living had ample scope. His death from acute anaphylactic shock following an injection of anti-tetanic serum after he sustained a minor injury will present his family and closest friends with the question why one so young, so full of promise, and so charged with vitality should so abruptly reach life's end.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

The Raymond Horton-Smith Prize for 1946-7 has been awarded to M. G. P. Stoker, M.D., for his thesis on a laboratory investigation of the Rickettsial diseases of India. J. F. Stokes, M.D., was *proxime accessit* for his thesis on the terminal stages of infective hepatitis.

Titles of degrees were conferred by diploma on the following members of Girton and Newnham Colleges during November: L. A. Farquharson, M.B., B.Chir., J. K. Goodacre, M.B., B.Chir., G. F. Jacob, M.B., B.Chir., I. Kane, B.A., M.B., B.Chir., P. D. Kilner, M.B., B.Chir., and R. M. Licence, M.B., B.Chir.

On Dec. 6 the degree of M.B., B.Chir. was conferred (by proxy) upon G. A. Bracewell.

The following candidates have been approved at the examination indicated:

FINAL M.B.—Part I (Surgery, Midwifery and Gynaecology): N. Allsup, V. E. Amassian, J. C. Barker, G. P. Blanshard, D. G. Bonham, M. D. M. Bowen, P. H. Bright, I. W. Broomhead, R. W. Brown, D. T. Cox, E. H. Eason, W. J. D. Eberle, C. P. E. Elliott-Binns, P. Fehrsen, D. V. G. Feltham, J. E. Forster, R. A. Fox-Linton, I. W. de G. Gregory, R. H. Griffith, J. L. Hansell, I. Henderson, C. O. Henrques, J. L. Hine, M. Honey, J. B. Howells, P. B. Hughes, P. W. Ingram, G. W. C. Johnson, D. G. Julian, E. A. Kauffmann, W. I. N. Kessel, W. M. Keynes, H. A. Lomax, I. S. Longmuir, P. H. Lord, J. A. MacDougall, A. G. Mackenzie, B. K. Madden, J. Mander, H. Middleton, P. F. D. Naylor, G. W. Page, C. M. B. Pare, K. N. J. Pocock, A. Polak, S. Powell, T. M. Robinson, R. A. Ryan, F. R. Ryle, J. E. S. Scott, R. T. Sears, L. Sefton, J. M. L. Shearer, R. S. Smith, P. W. Sole, E. F. Soothill, W. F. W. Southwood, D. I. Storey, C. H. Talbot, R. G. O. Tayler, J. P. D. Thomas, K. R. Wallace, W. R. Walsh, J. C. Wardill, D. B. J. Wardle, G. H. Warrick, A. L. Wells, H. I. Williams. **Women:** C. B. Alvey, J. Bean, E. M. Bennett, R. M. Bower, Mrs. K. H. Cohen, P. M. Glasspole, M. H. Jerwood, Mrs. L. M. Rochelle, Mrs. H. B. Roxburgh.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

The British Postgraduate Medical Federation of the University has awarded Postgraduate Travelling Fellowships for 1947, tenable for one year, to S. C. Gold, M.B., B.Chir., M.R.C.P., of St. George's Hospital (Dermatology, Switzerland and U.S.A.); A. Hargreaves, M.B., B.Chir., of University College Hospital (Dermatology, Switzerland and U.S.A.); R. Shackman, F.R.C.S., of the British Postgraduate Medical School (Surgery, U.S.A.); and D. B. Taylor, M.B., B.Ch., of King's College (Pharmacology, U.S.A.).

UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

FINAL M.B., CH.B.—Mary K. Astin, A. Coady, M. B. Edwards, D. D. Hilton, R. A. Kershaw, A. Kinsey, C. I. Moss, R. Ormerod, J. E. Parry, F. A. Rainford, O. R. W. Sejrup, B. Stone, Margaret E. Thorp, R. J. A. Webb, H. W. Wilson, P. Wolf, D. H. Wright. **Part I:** Helen E. Mair, K. D. Pinson, A. D. Robinson, A. M. Sellars, H. L. Wolfe, D. H. Yates.

DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—Part II: G. Christie, F. Howarth, Mrs. Helen E. Smith.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At an ordinary meeting of the Council of the College held on Dec. 11, with Sir Alfred Webb-Johnson, Bt., President, in the chair, the following were elected to the Fellowship in Dental Surgery: Mr. H. Chapman, Mr. L. C. Atkins, Mr. W. B. Grandison, Mr. Bowdler Henry, Prof. H. H. Stones, Mr. R. Weaver, Mr. C. W. Roberts, Mr. H. G. Watkin, Mr. A. G. Allen, Mr. J. F. Pilbeam, Miss Eleanor M. Knowles, Mr. G. H. Leatherman, Prof. G. L. Roberts, Mr. R. Cocker, Mr. P. J. Stoy, Mr. B. W. Fickling, and Prof. E. L. Sheridan.

It was reported that the late Mr. Frédéric F. Burghard, C.B., M.D., M.S., F.R.C.S., had left a bequest to the College for the endowment of research scholarships. The Council gratefully received from Mr. H. B. Willett the gift of a portrait of John Abernethy.

The following hospitals were recognized in respect of the resident surgical posts required of candidates for the Final Fellowship examination: Whips Cross Hospital, London, E. (the two house-surgeons); Ingham Infirmary, South Shields (resident surgical officer); Taunton and Somerset Hospital (three house-surgeons, for the period of one year in the first instance).

Sir Hugh Cairns, K.B.E., D.M., F.R.C.S., Nuffield Professor of Surgery in the University of Oxford, left England on Dec. 23 for a three-months visit to Australia and New Zealand as the first Arthur Sims Travelling Professor. He will deliver lectures, make contact with leading medical scientists, and take part in research and postgraduate teaching. Arrangements are being made for

Sir Hugh Cairns to visit the principal medical centres of South Africa in the summer of 1948. It is confidently hoped that the institution of this Travelling Professorship will not only do much to stimulate the development of medical science for the benefit of mankind but that it will also prove a further valuable link between the Nations of the Commonwealth.

Diplomas of Membership were granted to R. G. Donaldson (Westminster), and B. C. Luker and G. G. Parsons (St. Thomas's).

Diplomas in Child Health were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London, to M. B. Gamat and A. D. M. Jackson.

Diplomas of Fellowship were granted to the following successful candidates:

W. A. D. Drummond, D. D. Cranna, J. R. St. G. Stead, H. A. Pearce, N. E. James, B. S. S. Acharya, I. Jacobson, C. M. Squire, A. D. Bateman, R. W. Gunderson, J. N. M. Parry, G. H. A. Simmons, W. W. Wilson, N. L. Crabtree, J. C. A. Innes, A. J. S. Bell Tawse, R. C. Fuller, W. McC. Scott, H. D. S. Vellacott, R. P. M. Miles, B. H. Price, B. C. Rowlands, H. P. Guerrier, D. N. Fuller, H. O. Jones, B. W. Wells, R. C. Connolly, M. H. Wostenholm, G. A. Barclay, J. F. North, R. P. Warren, J. F. R. Bentley, J. F. N. C. Ward-McQuaid, W. E. S. Bain, J. R. Thompson, S. M. Chris, S. R. Mawson, P. P. Rickham, J. Fry, F. I. Tovey, I. Higazi, F. V. Stomahan, C. D. Clark, M. T. Greig, L. N. Bartholomew, J. R. Grimoldby, J. Burke, K. B. Burnsides, N. C. Hughes, A. C. R. Sharp, R. E. Gibbins, K. N. McNamara, H. M. J. Windsor, K. R. Archer, J. A. Key, R. F. Lowe, E. M. Nanson, D. P. Sapsford, P. R. H. Slade, A. W. Sutherland, R. C. Willis, S. Achaya, J. R. Addison, D. Aiken, T. J. Butler, J. P. Fleming, D. McD. Kenny, K. N. Morris, B. Mukopadhyaya, Jean M. Sandel, S. Banerjee, A. E. Brown, R. P. Jepson, M. Laird, T. F. Miller, I. Barnat, A. Hulme, L. W. Cox, K. N. Dastur, A. W. Fowler, I. Macnab, J. B. Parikh, A. F. Carter, F. G. Westgate.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH

At the annual meeting of the College held on Dec. 4 Dr. W. D. D. Small, C.B.E., was elected President, and Dr. R. Cranston Low, Prof. L. S. P. Davidson, Drs. J. D. S. Cameron, C.B.E., H. I. Wallace, and I. G. W. Hill, C.B.E., and Sir David K. Henderson were elected to form the Council for the ensuing year. Sir David K. Henderson was nominated Vice-President. Drs. R. Cranston Low and A. Ninian Bruce were elected Representatives of the College on the Board of Managers of the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh for the ensuing year.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND

The following candidates were successful in the Fellowship examinations: D. P. Beckett, R. E. Fenelon, R. S. Murray, J. R. McElroy.

The Fellowship was conferred on Dr. John Bunting on Dec. 12.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNAECOLOGISTS

At a meeting of Council held in the College House on Nov. 22, with the President, Mr. William Gilliat, in the chair, the following were formally admitted to Membership of the College: Robert John McConnell Jamieson, Joan Edith Warner Mackie, Stephen Parlee (*in absentia*), and Ada Sau Haan Wong (*in absentia*).

The following candidates have satisfied the examiners for the Diploma in Obstetrics:

K. D. G. Abbott, E. A. J. Alment, G. J. Amiel, G. Anderton, J. K. Armstrong, W. C. Astley, Winifred N. Backhouse, A. B. Backus, Henrietta E. Banting, C. P. Bennett, W. R. Bodenham, C. C. Bowley, M. Bruser, C. J. Champ, J. S. L. A. Cheshire, S. N. Cole, J. Colquhoun, Janet E. W. Copland, J. M. G. Costello, R. H. Crabbe, R. Crawford, R. C. Cummin, D. V. Cummins, Nora C. Curran, R. Cutts, C. H. Do Boer, N. S. Devi, C. J. Dewhurst, L. W. D. Drabble, W. J. Driscoll, V. Drosso, J. G. Dumoulin, A. Eckford, D. F. Edmiston, M. S. Ellensweig, J. Eskell, J. Firth, J. H. Fisher, G. H. Flack, H. D. Freeth, H. J. Friend, R. W. Grayburn, E. G. Hall, A. Hanton, S. L. Hetherington, N. M. O'C. Hewett, G. E. Hicks, R. Hodgkinson, E. I. Holloway, D. R. Hughes, A. Hunter, R. W. Hutchinson, C. G. Irwin, S. B. Jahan, E. W. Jeyaratnam, A. Joffe, F. W. Johnson, E. P. Jones, E. W. Jones, R. A. S. Keighley, P. G. S. Kennedy, R. W. Kennon, P. M. Kerr, J. E. Kerton, B. T. Kieft, Muriel G. King, G. Kirtane, W. H. Laird, J. L. Lawrence, R. P. Lawrie, J. B. Lawson, J. McL. Lees, M. H. Lloyd, Mary Love, H. McColl, Kathleen A. McDonald, R. McIntosh, Muriel MacKenzie, A. G. MacLeod, J. C. MacWilliams, A. S. Majury, H. N. Mansfield, Anna Mathan, T. K. Maurice, T. D. F. Money, Ivy M. Morgans, M. F. Morton, W. H. Oesterlein, G. C. Pattanayak, J. H. Patterson, P. C. A. Posford, M. B. Quane, W. J. Ramsay, E. B. Rayner, D. H. Read, D. D. L. Rees, Jocelyn G. Reynolds, H. Roberts, P. S. Robinson, E. S. Rogers, Monica H. Roper, J. Rushton, G. T. Rutherford, Helen Samson, Mary A. Saunders, P. G. Seed, Elizabeth S. M. Sherrard, D. W. Shields, Irene M. S. Sloper, L. Smalley, A. A. Smith, E. M. Southern, Elizabeth M. Stokes, A. Taylor, A. P. Walker, J. Watson, Joyce Watson, A. E. B. de Courcy Wheeler, J. Wilbush, Mary L. Williams, R. B. Wilson, C. H. F. Wood, Esme M. Wren, R. B. Wright.

FACULTY OF RADIOLOGISTS

At the recent examination for the Fellowship of the Faculty of Radiologists the following candidates satisfied the Fellowship Board: **Radiodiagnosis**, J. E. Blewett, M.D., D.M.R., W. J. Latham, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.M.R.D., S. A. Maddocks, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.M.R.E. **Radiotherapy**, E. Millington, F.R.C.S.Ed., D.M.R.

from respiratory tuberculosis 55. The death rate for all forms of tuberculosis was 3 lower than the five years' average; the death rate from respiratory tuberculosis was unaltered.

Annual Report for Scotland, 1945

During 1945 Scotland had the lowest birth rate ever recorded, the smallest number of deaths since 1861, and the greatest number of marriages with the exception of 1940. The infant mortality was 56 per 1,000 births, the lowest rate ever recorded in Scotland. An analysis of the infant mortality by social class reveals differences. It had been expected that the improved dietaries for pregnant women which had virtually levelled social class differences in diet would remove the difference in infant mortality between the social classes. This had not occurred, but the opposite has been found for stillbirths. In 1939 there was very little difference in the stillbirth rate of the five social classes, but in 1945 the rate varied from 20.9 per 1,000 for the wives of professional men to 39.1 among the wives of unskilled labourers.

Medical News

Institute of Social Psychiatry

The Institute of Social Psychiatry met on Nov. 15, under the chairmanship of Dr. Noel Harris, to discuss therapeutic social clubs. About 50 psychiatrists and psychiatric social workers were present. The next meeting will be held on Jan. 14, 1948. All superintendents and medical officers in charge of out-patients, who have started or who are interested to start a club, are invited to get in touch with the Institute of Social Psychiatry at 7, Fellows Road, London, N.W.3.

St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin

An appointment system for all patients will start at St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin (5, Lisle Street, Leicester Square, London, W.C.) on Jan. 1, 1948.

New Rules Governing Poisons

The Poisons (Amendment) Rules 1947 (S.R. & O. 1947 No. 2555) will come into operation on Jan. 1, 1948. They provide for some relaxation in the restrictions at present imposed on the sale of nicotine dusts containing not more than 4% of the poison and of ointments and dressings containing sulphonamides. It will no longer be necessary for an entry to be made in the poison book in respect of any sale of nicotine dusts within the specified limit. It will be lawful to sell ointments and dressings containing sulphonamides without the prescription of a doctor, but these articles remain subject to the provisions of Section 18 (2) of the Pharmacy and Poisons Act; therefore sales must still be entered in the poisons book and the purchaser's signature obtained. It will no longer be necessary for the "dose to be taken" to be included in a prescription directing the supply of any Fourth Schedule poison which is to be used for external treatment only.

The remaining Rules have the effect of making permanent certain provisional Rules made during the war in respect of the sale of brucine in surgical spirit and of strychnine for the destruction of seals and moles. They do not make any change in the existing law other than to omit from the restrictions on the sale of strychnine any reference to the use of the poison by a purchaser after the transaction has been completed (Rule 29A of the Poisons Rules 1935-46).

Copies of the Rules may be bought (price 1d. net) from H.M. Stationery Office.

Will

Dr. Sydney Arthur Monckton Copeman, F.R.S., who died on April 11, left £71,296.

COMING EVENTS

Family Life

The Family Relations Group is organizing a conference on "Education for Family Life" to be held on Jan. 5-6, 1948, at King's College, Strand, London, W.C.2. Further details and application forms may be obtained from Mr. Cyril Bibby, Family Relations Group, 69, Eccleston Square, London, S.W.1.

Medical Society of the L.C.C. Service

The annual general meeting of the Medical Society of the L.C.C. Service will be held at County Hall, Westminster Bridge, London, S.E., on Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1948, at 4.15 p.m., when the retiring president, Dr. R. C. Harkness, will deliver his presidential address on "Medical Staff Problems in Municipal Hospitals, Past, Present, and Future."

Genetics

The 8th International Congress of Genetics will be held in Stockholm on July 7-14, 1948.

Congress of Psychology

The International Congress of Psychology will be held at Edinburgh on July 23-29, 1948, under the presidency of Emeritus Professor James Drever, whose son, Prof. James Drever, of the University of Edinburgh, is arranging the programme. The secretary is Prof. Godfrey Thomson.

APPOINTMENTS

The Royal Society has appointed Dr. K. Bailey, of the Biochemical Laboratory, Cambridge, to an Alan Johnston, Lawrence and Moseley Research Fellowship into the problems of human and animal health and diseases and the biological field related thereto. Dr. Bailey will work at the Biochemical Laboratory in Cambridge on the proteins of muscle fibril. The Society has also appointed Dr. G. S. Dawes, of Worcester College, Oxford, to a Foulerton Research Fellowship in Medicine. Dr. Dawes will work at the Department of Pharmacology, Oxford, on the left ventricle reflex. Both appointments date from Jan. 1, 1948.

Prof. D. F. Cappell, M.D., has been appointed chairman of the Technical Committee of the Scottish National Blood Transfusion Association in succession to the late Sir John Fraser, Bt., K.C.V.O., M.C., M.D., Ch.M., F.R.C.S.Ed.

BEETHAM, K. W., M.B., Ch.B., D.M.R.T., Radiotherapist, Hull Royal Infirmary.

FALLA, W. A. S., M.D., D.P.M., Medical Superintendent, Bracebridge Heath Mental Hospital, Lincoln.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

ALDERSON.—On Dec. 5, 1947, in Newcastle, to Sybil J. Russell, M.B., B.S., wife of Bernard S. Alderson, M.B., B.S., a second son—Richard Russell.

CORMAC.—On Dec. 6, 1947, at Stockport, to the wife of Dr. C. D. Cormac, a daughter.

HELM.—On Dec. 8, 1947, at 227, Whitegate Drive, Blackpool, to Kathleen Mary (née Walters), M.B., Ch.B., wife of Harold Helm, a daughter.

LAW.—On Dec. 8, 1947, at London Hospital, E., to Beryl (née Dyson), wife of W. Alexander Law, O.B.E., F.R.C.S., 21, Cholmeley Crescent, Highgate, N., a son—Bruce Alexander.

LEAMING.—On Dec. 7, 1947, at Ruislip, Middlesex, to Barbara (née Todd), wife of Dr. H. Leslie Leaming, a sister for Douglas—Mary Jane.

RUSSELL.—On Dec. 6, 1947, at Clovelly, Sandown, Isle of Wight, to Hazel (née Webster), wife of Dr. A. McC. Russell, a daughter.

DEATHS

ADAM.—On Dec. 10, 1947, at 2, Avonmore Mansions, London, W., John Ewing Adam, M.D., F.R.C.S.Ed., aged 78.

ARKLESS.—On Dec. 6, 1947, in N.W. Germany, James Arkless, M.B., Captain, R.A.M.C.

BROOKS.—On Dec. 11, 1947, Ivan Ernest Brooks, M.B., Ch.B., of Earlsfield, Darwen, aged 41.

CARWARDINE.—On Dec. 9, 1947, at Hindhead, Thomas Carwardine, M.S. F.R.C.S.

COE.—On Dec. 13, 1947, Dennis Henry Coe, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of King's College Hospital.

COOPER.—On Dec. 13, 1947, at 6, Holly Place, London, N.W., Henry Cooper, D.S.O., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Group Captain, R.A.F.

CURPHEY.—On Dec. 12, 1947, at Lansdown Nursing Home, Bath, Elizabeth Curphey, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

DOWLING.—On Dec. 15, 1947, in Preston, Lancs, Edward Dowling, M.D.

FINLAY.—On Dec. 13, 1947, at 16, Murrayfield Drive, Edinburgh, James Findlay, M.B., Ch.B., Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S., retired.

FREETH.—On Dec. 16, 1947, Arthur Causton Freeth, M.B., of Prestbury, Clivedon Mead, Maidenhead, aged 57.

GILMORE.—On Dec. 10, 1947, at Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, Edward Raymond Gilmore, M.D., D.P.H., D.T.M., Medical Officer of Health, Leamington Spa.

GUINN.—On Dec. 14, 1947, at 234, Manchester Road, Audenshaw, nr. Manchester, William Gillespie Bryson Gunn, M.B., Ch.B.

JOHNSON.—On Dec. 15, 1947, at 19, West Avenue, Bryn Newydd, Prestatyn, Francis Johnston, M.D.

MARRIOTT.—On Dec. 10, 1947, at Royal Masonic Hospital, William Marriott, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

MCKEOWN.—On Dec. 13, 1947, Aymer Douglas Maxwell, M.C., M.B., Ch.B., aged 58.

MILLIGAN.—On Dec. 11, 1947, at The Firs, Guildford, James Knowles Milligan, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., aged 65.

MOODY.—On Dec. 11, 1947, William Ernest Moody, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., aged 67.

PERROTT.—On Dec. 10, 1947, at 140, Clayhall Avenue, Ilford, Essex, George Francis Donaldson Perrott, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

POSTON.—On Dec. 11, 1947, Sallie, the beloved wife of Henry Poston, M.C., F.R.C.S.Ed., of "Malone," Manor Road, Cheadle Hulme, Cheshire.

SECCOMBE.—On Dec. 16, 1947, at 134, Cheam Road, Cheam, Surrey, Charles William Seccombe, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.

SMITH.—On Nov. 13, 1947, at Melbourne, Australia, Julian Augustus Romaine Smith, M.D.

SPILSBURY.—On Dec. 17, 1947, Sir Bernard Henry Spilsbury, M.B., B.Ch., F.R.C.P.

STEWART.—On Dec. 8, 1947, at The Elms, Gerrards Cross, Bucks, Rothesay Charles Stewart, M.R.C.S.

WOOLLEY.—On Dec. 16, 1947, at 8, Somerhill Road, Hove, Jasper Maxwell Woolley, M.D., Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S., retired.