

PHOTOGRAPHS FOR PUBLICATION

The Preparation of Photographic Prints for Medical Publication. By Stanley J. McComb, F.B.P.A. (Pp. 70; 41 illustrations. 15s.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1950.

"A good medical photograph combines a high degree of technical perfection with artistry in handling the subject so that information is presented most effectively." Quoted in the introduction, this remark covers the author's intentions, and from it he proceeds through the practical stages of focus, scale and position, background, and lighting to discuss the more imponderable features such as emphasis, improvement of the quality of an imperfect print, and the trimming and grouping of material in order to make the best use of the page.

The book is readable and the author obviously knows his subject (he is in charge of the section on photography at the Mayo Clinic), but to the reviewer it seems that it may well miss its target. In the larger hospitals and medical schools, where there are departments of illustration, Mr. McComb will be preaching to the converted; the smaller centres, where occasional photographic work is done as a part only of the work of a radiographer or laboratory technician, stand in greatest need of his sound advice. Yet it is just these who do not buy photographic books. Perhaps, if the supervisors of such workers read this notice, they will rectify the matter; for if the author's precepts were universally followed the standard of illustration in medical journals would be immeasurably raised and the editors' headaches would be greatly lessened.

Mr. McComb almost disarms criticism by denying that he is writing a textbook; yet, while his intentions are wholly admirable, his own presentation may perhaps be criticized. Marking of figures with disks of white paper apparently made with a filing punch is untidy. Such figures may best be inserted by the blockmaker. Wire paper-clips should *never* be used, even with care, for their indentations will inevitably record on the block. In most British centres all clothing is removed which would appear in the print, and it is generally agreed that a half-clothed figure looks more naked than one completely unclothed. The notably unnecessary socks in Fig. 2d are a case in point. (Fortunately we are not faced with the tricky American legal position in such matters.) The comparable pair of pictures in Fig. 4b are not identically lit, while in Fig. 5a the use of a transilluminated background would produce an entirely shadowless hand. In the chapter on lighting the author treats of a number of detailed methods but dismisses the photography of specimens in four lines, yet this kind of photography provides a large proportion of published work and is generally as badly done as any. The section on improving print quality may be read with advantage by all, for all have at some time had to make do with an imperfect negative which was unrepeatable.

In Britain the trimming and grouping of prints tend to become an editorial function. The final chapter on this subject, if read by all who intend to publish their work, would ease the burden on the editor, who is probably only too ready to accept sound ideas on layout from his authors, but who normally finds them devoid of any ideas at all. The criticisms are of detail only. The book as a whole will be of great value if the publishers can get it into the right hands. The illustration departments will sigh gently and wish the author luck.

ROBERT OLLERENSHAW.

HISTORY OF SCIENCE

The History of Science. Origins and Results of the Scientific Revolution. A Symposium of Broadcast Talks by Sir Lawrence Bragg and Others. (Pp. 184. 8s. 6d.) London: Cohen and West. 1951.

Not long since, the history of science was the very Cinderella of the humane studies. To-day it would be a bold and industrious man who would undertake to read all that is being written on the subject, even in the English language. The output in German, French, and Italian is almost as impressive. The subject has entered the university curriculum and is beginning to penetrate into that of the schools. These sixteen broadcasts by distinguished exponents, each on his own special discipline, were addressed to boys and girls of sixth-form level during the winter session 1949-50. They have been brought into book form and equipped with a useful introduction and bibliography by Dr. Jean Lindsay, of Girtton College, herself an enthusiast for the subject. Together they make a most attractive little volume.

The medical reader may well find his special interest in just those wider themes that are peripheral rather than central to his own studies, such as the discussions, "Why was Science Backward in the Middle Ages?" by Professor M. Postan, "Bacon and the Experimental Method," by Professor C. D. Broad, "The Development of Scientific Instruments in the Seventeenth Century," by Dr. Samuel Lilley, "The Birth of Modern Chemistry," by Dr. D. McKie—all admirable writers who are at their best in simplifying the presentation of their subjects for young listeners. The authors who deal directly with medical subjects are Sir Henry Dale on "Harvey and the Circulation," and the Editor of the *British Medical Journal* on "Pasteur and Problems Presented by Bacteria." The chapters of both of them are, as we should expect, models of their kind. Of special interest is the article by the Director of the Science Museum on "Scientific Developments of the Early Nineteenth Century," for he provides a partial explanation of why medicine did not become scientific earlier than was in fact the case. Altogether the book is as charming, lucid, and elementary an exposition of its great theme as can be found in any such small compass.

CHARLES SINGER.

BOOKS RECEIVED

Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received

Wisdom, Madness and Folly. By J. Custance. (Pp. 252. 16s.) London: Victor Gollancz. 1951.

Scientific and Learned Societies of Great Britain. A Handbook compiled from official sources. (Pp. 227. 30s.) London: George Allen and Unwin. 1951.

The Child Unborn. By R. J. Harrison, M.A., D.Sc., M.B., B.Chir., F.L.S. (Pp. 226. 15s.) London: Routledge and Kegan Paul. 1951.

How I Cured My Duodenal Ulcer. By J. Parr. (Pp. 160. 8s. 6d.) London: Michael Joseph. 1951.

The History of Capital Punishment. By G. Ryley Scott, F.Ph.S., F.Z.S., F.R.A.I. (Pp. 312. 21s.) London: Torchstream Books. 1950.

Studies in Pathology. Edited by E. S. J. King and others. (Pp. 350. 35s.) London: Cambridge University Press. 1951.

Pediatric Allergy. By R. Chobot, M.D. (Pp. 284. 38s. 6d.) London: McGraw-Hill Book Company. 1951.

Modern Surgery for Nurses. Edited by F. Wilson Harlow, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S. 2nd. ed. (Pp. 799. 25s.) London: William Heinemann. 1951.

Medical Notes in Parliament

Healthy Upholstery

During the debate on the Rag Flock and Other Filling Materials Bill, which had already passed the House of Lords and was read a second time without a division on July 13, Mr. G. S. LINDGREN said it was true there had been no direct proof that the users of upholstery had contracted disease from it, but infection might so arise, and Parliament should prevent it.

Industrial Dermatitis

Dr. BARNET STROSS asked on July 16 whether the Minister of National Insurance would consider the appointment of a medical officer with experience in dermatology in every industrial centre of any considerable size. Dr. EDITH SUMMERSKILL replied that she did not think this suggestion was practicable.

Aged Sick

Mr. D. KIRKWOOD, on July 17, asserted that distress and bewilderment were caused to relatives of old people who had to be declared lunatics before they could be given beds in hospitals. He advocated legislation to make old age a special class of incapacity and to provide the necessary accommodation in special hospitals for this purpose. Miss MARGARET HERBISON agreed that there was frequent difficulty in arranging institutional care for old people who could not be suitably looked after at home, but she saw no ground for thinking that this could be remedied by fresh legislation.

Toxic Chemicals in Agriculture

Mr. G. H. R. NUGENT, on July 19, asked whether the Minister of Agriculture had considered the opinion of the working party on toxic chemicals in agriculture that, despite the risk to human life, the use of these weed-killers and insecticides should continue.

Mr. TOM WILLIAMS said he thought that the working party's analysis of this problem was sound. In consultation with his department, the organizations concerned had recommended to their members measures for this season on the lines proposed by the working party, and their recommendation that certain proposals should be reinforced by legislation was under consideration.

Domiciliary Analgesia

Mr. PETER THORNECROFT, on July 19, asked in which local health authority areas in England and Wales it was proposed to start trials for the use of the new "trilene" machine by domiciliary midwives. Mr. H. MARQUAND replied that the areas had not been determined; they would be selected by a joint subcommittee representing the Medical Research Council and the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists, under whose control the trials were to be carried out. The Ministry had not yet received an adequate supply of prototype machines.

Mr. THORNECROFT also asked whether approval could be given for the addition of the Chassar Moir attachment to all gas-and-air machines in use by domiciliary midwives in England and Wales. Mr. MARQUAND answered that the Central Midwives Board had not yet approved this attachment for use by midwives on their own responsibility. They would consider the matter as soon as the results of a further experiment in its use were available.

Miss MARGARET HERBISON gave similar answers to questions about analgesic services in Scotland.

Mental Disease in Scotland.—2,652 people certified as insane were admitted to mental hospitals under the Lunacy (Scotland) Acts, 1857 and 1862, during 1950. Of these 906 were over 60 years of age.

Army Doctors.—The number of doctors in the Army in April, 1946, was 6,520. In April, 1950, there were 1,532.

Scottish Dentists.—There are altogether about 1,450 dentists practising in Scotland. It is thought that at least another 100 are needed for the school dental service and the local authorities' maternity and child-welfare services.

Road Accidents.—In 1950, 166,592 road accidents involved death or personal injury. Driving under the influence of drink or drugs was the primary factor in 565 cases.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

The following diplomas were awarded on July 17:

D.P.H.—Grace F. M. Braid, A. S. Caldwell, J. Caldwell, J. H. C. Clarke, W. J. Connelly, Marion H. C. Cornock, T. B. Ferguson, Anne C. V. Greig, J. Hamilton, J. S. McLintock, Alexandrina McPheat, W. R. Plews, W. O. Thomson.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

The following candidates at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine have been approved at the examination indicated:

ACADEMIC POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN BACTERIOLOGY: R. I. Ananthanarayan, A. R. Blowers, I. S. M. Fernando, K. A. Huybers, C. H. Jellard, C. Kaplan, A. M. Khan, Jean V. Knox, J. D. Manning, H. A. Mazloum, C. C. Spicer, M. L. Sur.

The following candidates at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine have been approved at the examination indicated:

ACADEMIC POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH.—Lily G. Arumugam, K. M. Basu, J. P. Brazil, Carol W. Buck, D. H. D. Burbridge, C. G. Burgess, T. W. Carrick, M. J. Colbourne, A. H. R. Coombes, J. D. Cottrell, D. E. Cullington, G. M. Curtois, R. G. Davies, L. E. A. Dearberg, M. Doraisingham, A. G. Farr, M. A. Fawkes, L. V. R. Fernando, Jessie S. Freeman, P. S. Fuller, A. Girby, Margaret I. Hendrie, P. R. Henson, F. R. T. Hollins, I. J. Jeffery, W. H. Jeffery, E. F. E. Kellar, E. H. Lamb, H. L. Larsen, N. Leitch, I. M. Macgregor, D. H. Mackay, S. Mandal, A. H. Memon, G. A. Mott, See Yook Ng, G. A. R. Perera, R. Perumal, H. B. L. Russell, D. Scott, E. S. Sidey, L. Silverstone, G. A. Steele, O. W. Tenfjord, T. Visuvalingam, A. S. Wallace.

¹Awarded a mark of distinction.

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

ACADEMIC POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIOLOGY.—*Diagnosis:* F. A. Adcock, J. S. Coller, B. Green, Schura Hollesh, J. D. Irving, S. A. Kimmel, W. P. Liston, K. G. Paddle, G. F. Swann, D. E. Truscott, C. K. J. Vautier. *Therapy:* R. M. Cunningham, E. D. Jones, P. J. Pablot, Jean K. Ritchie.

Dr. H. E. Sigerist, Professor of History of Medicine in Johns Hopkins University from 1932 to 1947, has been appointed Heath Clark Lecturer for 1952.

The following have been appointed, or nominated for appointment or reappointment, as representatives of the University on the governing bodies indicated in parentheses: Dr. F. C. Wilkinson (Eastman Dental Hospital); Dr. A. E. Clark-Kennedy (Queen Mary College); Dr. C. H. Lack (Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital); Mr. A. G. Cross (St. Mary's Hospital).

Professor A. St. G. Huggett, Professor G. Stead, and Professor F. R. Winton have been appointed representatives of the Board of Preclinical Studies on the Board of the Faculty of Medicine and Professor Esther M. Killick a similar representative on the Board of Advanced Medical Studies, all for the remainder of the current year.

The Mary Scharlieb Research Studentship has been awarded to Dr. Andrew Bogdan, the award to be tenable for one session (1951-2) in the first instance. The Sir William Dunn Scholarship has been awarded to Thomas Hargreaves (King's College).

In the paragraph beginning "Internal students who apply for entry to courses in medicine in and after October, 1953" (*Journal*, April 7, p. 766) paragraph (b) has now been amended by the addition of "or, in the case of candidates who have obtained certificate(s) in school or other examinations prior to 1951, by passing at not less than minimum University entrance level in chemistry and physics at the examination recognized by the University for the purposes of their matriculation."

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

In Congregation on June 30 the following degrees were conferred:

M.D.—J. M. French (with honours), J. Tregillus.
Ph.D.—Official: J. R. Gibson, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. *Under ordinary regulations*: Isabelle J. Wajda (*in absentia*).
M.B., Ch.B.—Elizabeth H. Buchanan (with second-class honours), R. P. Dyson (with second-class honours), A. J. Allen, Enid J. Barnett, P. V. Best, D. B. Beveridge, E. R. Blay, Madge M. Breward, Margaret E. Burns, Margaret H. Butler, B. C. Calverley, H. J. E. Cox, C. C. Ecob, Katherine M. Eddowes, Margaret G. Fairman, Katharine M. Fussell, F. N. Garratt, S. Ginsberg, Eleanor A. Griffiths, M. G. Hadjiminias, Maureen E. Hardeman, H. Hartill, F. E. Higgins, J. D. Hotchin, R. Hully, J. L. Jenkins, G. A. H. Jones, P. L. Kalra, S. G. Lamb, Sheila M. Lane, B. J. Lawley, R. D. M. Lewis, W. H. J. Llewellyn, A. L. Lloyd, J. M. London, F. J. Lowe, A. L. McBean, B. G. Moon, M. O. Moore, G. E. Morley, Jean Mottram, Margaret E. Nunn, D. C. Pattison, A. J. Pearce, M. D. Readett, R. S. Rihan, C. Robertson, A. L. Ross, P. H. Round, Hilary M. Rowson, R. G. Russell, Pamela E. Sarjeant, J. W. Tanner, Mavis Wakefield, Jean M. Webb, H. C. White, Margaret T. Wood.

The following scholarships, prizes, etc., were awarded in the Faculty of Medicine: *Research Scholarships—Renewals*: Rachel Franklin (Medical Statistics); Z. Hybs, G. W. Mainwood, and Frances E. Williams (Physiology); A. P. Mead and A. P. Walker (Pharmacology). *Queen's Scholarships*.—Final year, Elizabeth H. Buchanan and R. P. Dyson; Fifth year, P. A. Bramley and Christine C. Wade (divided); Third year, K. J. Hadley. *Ingleby Scholarships*, Elizabeth H. Buchanan (obstetrics and gynaecology), Jean M. Webb (paediatrics and child health). *Special Undergraduate Scholarships*, R. W. Heslop and Gabriel Horn. *Bertram Windle Prize in Anatomy*, P. G. Bevan. *Arthur Foxwell Memorial Medal*, F. E. Higgins and Jean M. Webb. *Sampson Gamgee Memorial Medal*, H. C. White. *Alan Brown Prize in Paediatrics*, M. D. Readett. *Joseph Sankey Prize and Priestley Smith Prize in Ophthalmology*, Mavis Wakefield. *Douglas Marsh Ear, Nose, and Throat Prize*, Maureen E. Hardeman. *Russell Memorial Prize*, F. E. Higgins. *Leith-Newman Prize in Pathology*, H. A. Ellis. *John Barritt Melson Memorial Medal*, K. J. Hadley. *Peter Thompson Prize in Anatomy*, V. A. W. Blunt. *John Humphreys Prize*, R. Bradley. *Lawrence Carlton Prize*, C. L. Brady. *Senior Medical Prize*, Jean M. Webb. *Senior Surgical Prize*, Elizabeth H. Buchanan. *Obstetrics and Gynaecology Prize*, Katharine M. Fussell. *Paediatrics and Child Health Prize*, F. E. Higgins and Jean M. Webb. *Junior Medical Prize*, P. A. Bramley. *Junior Surgical Prize*, L. Henry and G. H. Jeavons.

¹Distinction in obstetrics and gynaecology. ²Distinction in medicine. ³Distinction in paediatrics and child health. ⁴Distinction in surgery.

UNIVERSITY OF SHEFFIELD

Dr. R. Wheeler Haines has been appointed full-time Senior Lecturer in Anatomy and Dr. D. M. Matthews full-time Assistant Lecturer in Physiology.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND

On July 12 the honorary degree of LL.D was conferred on Dr. James M. Carlisle, medical director, and Mr. J. J. Kerrigan, president of Merck and Co. Inc.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF IRELAND

On July 6 M. J. O'Donnell was admitted, *in absentia*, to the Fellowship of the College and S. M. H. Jaffari was admitted, *in absentia*, to the Membership.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND

At a meeting of the Council of the College, held on July 12, Sir Cecil Wakeley was re-elected President for the ensuing year.

Mr. P. H. Mitchiner and Sir James Paterson Ross were elected Vice-Presidents, and Mr. Mitchiner, Sir James Paterson Ross, and Sir Reginald Watson Watson-Jones were readmitted as Members of the Council.

Mr. V. Zachary Cope was appointed Charles Tomes Lecturer for the ensuing year and Mr. William Gissane the first Joseph Henry Lecturer.

Professors and Lecturers for the ensuing year were appointed as follows:

Hunterian Professors.—Sir Lancelot Barrington-Ward, one lecture on swellings of the neck in childhood; Mr. C. E. Dukes, one lecture on familial intestinal polyposis; Professor V. W. Dix, one lecture on ureteric calculus; Dr. S. P. Meadows, one lecture on carotid-cavernous aneurysms and pulsating exophthalmos;

Mr. H. H. Stewart, one lecture on partial nephrectomy in the treatment of renal calculi; Mr. S. M. Cohen, one lecture on peripheral aneurysms and arteriovenous fistula; Mr. A. H. Hunt, one lecture on the surgical treatment of Banti's syndrome; Professor F. E. Stock, one lecture on the surgical treatment of cirrhosis of the liver; Mr. John Borrie, one lecture on carcinoma of lung: a clinico-pathological study on 200 resections; Mr. M. F. A. Woodruff, one lecture on the transplantation of homologous tissue and its surgical applications; Mr. Tobias Levitt, one lecture on the status of lymphadenoid goitre, Hashimoto's and Reidel's disease; Mr. G. R. Fisk, one lecture on hyperplasia and metaplasia in synovial membrane.

Arris and Gale Lecturers.—Mr. A. Ruscoe Clarke, one lecture on the prevention of shock and anaemia in trauma; Professor G. McC. Wyburn, one lecture on congenital defects of the anterior abdominal wall; Dr. J. N. Hunt, one lecture on studies of human gastric function.

Erasmus Wilson Demonstrators.—Dr. L. W. Proger, two demonstrations; Mr. A. T. Andreasen, two demonstrations on (1) aortic arch abnormalities and (2) restricted pulmonary flow; Mr. Herbert Spencer, one demonstration on bronchial cancer; Mr. E. W. Grahame, one demonstration on argentaffinoma of the alimentary canal.

Arnott Demonstrators.—Mr. P. H. Mitchiner, two demonstrations; Mr. R. J. Last, four demonstrations.

Professor E. D. Churchill, of Boston, U.S.A., was elected a Hunterian Professor.

Dr. Dorothy McNair was elected to the Fellowship of the Faculty of Anaesthetists.

Dr. S. Engel was appointed honorary research associate of the College in recognition of his research work on the development of the lung.

The twentieth Macloghlin Scholarship was awarded to F. J. C. Millard (Eastbourne College).

A Diploma of Fellowship of the College was granted to W. J. Trezise (New Zealand).

Diplomas were granted, jointly with the Royal College of Physicians of London, to the following successful candidates:

DIPLOMA IN PSYCHOLOGICAL MEDICINE.—D. J. Arkle, E. D. Barlow, A. J. E. Duddington, J. Lomas, J. Pulicino, G. E. B. Scott, G. C. Turle.

DIPLOMA IN LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY.—A. E. Amoils, J. M. Berry, D. J. Brain, A. N. Cammock, R. G. Chaytor, F. O. Esiri, R. T. S. Goodchild, J. F. Neil, S. Panikkar, A. Rutana, A. K. Sinha, W. A. Sultana, E. Zwiefach.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIODIAGNOSIS.—E. Barnett, A. Berrett, Sheila M. Cameron, J. H. E. Carmichael, O. J. Connor, T. M. Corcoran, A. G. M. Davies, Caryl St. J. Davies, E. G. Donovan, D. A. N. Drury, E. T. Feldsted, B. Green, M. Gurudas, C. F. Hutton, A. Kurowski, J. Lawson, G. A. S. Lloyd, A. G. McCarey, S. Matus, Emma L. Stein, D. E. Truscott, C. K. J. Vautier, M. W. P. Ward, D. G. C. Whyte, J. Wilson.

DIPLOMA IN MEDICAL RADIOTHERAPY.—P. E. Côté, Constance M. Davis, Gertrude Goldscheider, J. A. Orr, J. J. Q. Peiris, N. A. Sharples, F. G. Stuart.

DIPLOMA IN ANAESTHETICS.—Lilian Alexander, P. G. Azzopardi, Ann Bardeen, J. B. F. Boyle, Margaret E. Browne, N. G. P. Butler, Nancy S. G. Butt, J. A. Clarke, Lillias J. Dunn, Jean Dutton, H. B. F. Fairley, J. A. Ferris, C. A. Foster, Barbara W. Gerrard, J. B. Gibson, R. A. Green, R. G. R. Grievie, E. Hacker, E. R. S. Hooper, N. G. Johnston, A. K. Karfoot, J. M. Lewis, M. G. L. Lucas, D. J. Lyall, Avril E. M. Matthews, J. E. Norman, Mary Patten, J. P. Payne, D. E. Rowlands, C. Sanger, O. H. Simms, W. Sniper, J. Stovner, W. J. Watt, H. J. Weldon, Edith M. Wilkinson.

DIPLOMA IN OPHTHALMIC MEDICINE AND SURGERY.—R. L. Cahill.

DIPLOMA IN PATHOLOGY.—J. G. U. O. Alexander, M. K. Alexander, J. T. A. Lloyd, J. S. McKinnell.

The following hospitals were recognized under paragraph 23 of the Fellowship regulations: St. John's Hospital, Chelmsford (house-surgeon, for six months); Epsom District Hospital (surgical registrar and two house officers (surgical), all for six months); King George Hospital, Ilford (resident surgical officer and assistant surgical officer, for twelve months, and three house-surgeons, for six months); Middlesbrough General Hospital (house-surgeon, for six months); North Ormesby Hospital, Middlesbrough (two surgical registrars, for twelve months, and two house-surgeons, for six months); Stockton and Thornaby Hospital (surgical registrar, for twelve months, and senior house-surgeon, for six months); Canadian Red Cross Memorial Hospital, Taplow (second house-surgeon, for six months (until July 31, 1953)); Kent County Ophthalmic and Aural Hospital, Maidstone (two senior ophthalmic house-surgeons, senior aural house-surgeon, and junior aural house-surgeon).

bedside. In response, Dr. Sidney Dyke said that in 1923 the American Society of Clinical Pathologists was founded, in 1926 the British society. The French Society of Clinical Biology had come into existence during the war, when France was occupied by the Nazis, and in 1947 the French had inaugurated the first international congress. Another event in their history had been the establishment of the European Society of Clinical Pathology, now merged in the International Society.

The health of the guests was proposed by Dr. D. Jaumain, of Brussels, who soon belied his plea that he was not an orator. He had, he said, acted as accoucheur at the birth of the Belgian Society, and in this connexion paid a tribute to his friend Professor E. J. Bigwood. Clinical biology (as the French describe clinical pathology) had, he said, been his mistress for 30 years. When he had been asked to speak it was, he admitted, the first time in his life he had obeyed an order. Perhaps a Belgian had been chosen for this honour because the English remembered that Wellington had once spent some time in Brussels. After paying tribute to one of the inspirers of clinical pathology, Louis Pasteur, he then hailed Sir Henry Dale, whom he described thus: "C'est un type, et c'est un chic type!" He also welcomed the presence of Dr. A. W. Sichel, President of the B.M.A., and gave a charming word of thanks to the ladies, and finally to the lady "La Biologie Clinique." Responding for the guests, Sir Henry Dale said he was really there in the place of Lord Addison, who would have been present but for illness, and to whom he paid a tribute as a member of the first Medical Research Committee and the first Minister of Health. Sir Henry thought he preferred the designation "clinical biology" to "clinical pathology." He pleaded earnestly for a growth of the international spirit in medicine and in all science. With anecdote and reminiscence Sir Henry entertained the company with charm and wit. The health of the chairman, Sir Lionel Whitby, was proposed by Dr. F. W. Sunderman, President of the American Society of Clinical Pathologists. The presence of representatives from so many countries was a source of inspiration and he hoped that this meeting would be a stimulus to the foundation of international societies in different parts of the world. In America they had a close feeling for Sir Lionel, who had recently been a visiting professor at Harvard, and whose daughter had married an American. This toast was seconded by Professor Kourilsky, who praised Sir Lionel's service as a soldier in the first world war, and recalled, too, that he had organized a transfusion service for the Free French Forces during the second world war. At a late hour in the evening Sir Lionel responded briefly, saying that one of the charms of such a conference for him was to see the bibliography come to life.

Publications Received

Twelfth Annual Report, 1950, Tuberculosis Association of India.

Directory of Tuberculosis Institutions in India, 1950, Tuberculosis Association of India.

Prospectus of Courses of Training, 1951-2, The Tavistock Clinic.

Report, 1950, National Institute for Research in Dairying, University of Reading.

Annual Report, 1950, Medical Research Council of Ireland.

COMING EVENTS

Refresher Course on Tuberculosis

The Scottish Branch of N.A.P.T. is holding a refresher course for doctors, nurses, health visitors, midwives, and administrative officials in the University New Buildings, Teviot Place, Edinburgh, 8, for four days, September 18-21. The registration fee is £1 1s. All correspondence and applications should be sent to the Scottish Secretary, Miss A. J. Weir, N.A.P.T., 65, Castle Street, Edinburgh, 2.

Reunion Dinner

A reunion dinner of the 22nd General Hospital will be held at the Stork Hotel, Liverpool, on Saturday, September 29. Further information and tickets may be obtained from Mr. C. Cooke, 17, Greenhill Avenue, Liverpool, 18, or from Mr. A. McKie Reid, F.R.C.S., 86, Rodney Street, Liverpool, 1.

Middlesex Hospital Medical School

The annual dinner of the Middlesex Hospital Medical School will be held at the Savoy Hotel (Victoria Embankment entrance), London, on Friday, September 28, at 7 for 7.30 p.m.

Congress of National Societies of Gastro-enterology

The third European congress will be held at Bologna from April 20 to 26, 1952, under the presidency of Professor Antonio Gasbarrini. The topics of the congress will be acute and chronic pancreatitis and chronic constipation. Requests for registration should be sent to the office of the Secretary-General, Institute of Clinical Medicine (Policlinico S. Orsola), Bologna, Italy, not later than January 30, 1952.

SOCIETIES AND LECTURES

A fee is charged or a ticket is required for attending lectures marked ●. Application should be made first to the institution concerned.

Tuesday

EDINBURGH POSTGRADUATE BOARD FOR MEDICINE.—At Edinburgh University (Anatomy Lecture Theatre), July 31, 4.30 p.m., "The Anatomy of Cutaneous Sensibility," by Dr. A. G. M. Weddell.

WEST END HOSPITAL FOR NERVOUS DISEASES, 40, Marylebone Lane, London, W.—July 31, 2.30 p.m., "Cerebrospinal Fluid Examination," clinical demonstration in neurology by Dr. Woodhouse Price.

APPOINTMENTS

EWING, JOHN A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Physician, State Hospital at Butner, Butner, North Carolina, U.S.A.

HOBBS, G. M., B.Com., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Medical Officer of Health for Eton Urban and Eton Rural Districts, and Divisional School Medical Officer.

ST. THOMAS' HOSPITAL, London, S.E.—Part-time Physician to Cardiac Department, R. Daley, M.D., M.R.C.P. Part-time Physician to Department of Thoracic Medicine, D. S. Cadman, M.B., M.R.C.P.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS

BIRTHS

Baster.—On May 9, 1951, at Edmonton, Alberta, to Audrey, wife of Norman Baster, M.D., a daughter—Victoria Vivian.

Feilden.—On June 26, 1951, at Luanshya, Northern Rhodesia, to Dr. Elspeth M. Feilden (formerly Brown), wife of F. A. Feilden, a daughter.

Kyndt.—On July 13, 1951, at the Elizabeth Garrett Anderson Nursing Home, Hampstead, to Mary Elizabeth (formerly Van Hee), wife of Charles Kyndt, M.R.C.S., a second son—Christopher.

Merry.—On July 12, 1951, at Poltimore Nursing Home, Exeter, to Margaret (formerly Field), wife of James Cameron Merry, M.B., Ch.B., a daughter.

Petit.—On July 18, 1951, at Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, to Dr. Joan Lamplugh, wife of Mr. J. Petit, a daughter.

Rollason.—On July 13, 1951, at Hull, to Margaret (formerly Rowbotham), wife of W. N. Rollason, M.B., Ch.B., D.A., a daughter.

MARRIAGES

Wilkinson—Fairlie.—On July 19, 1951, at St. Cuthbert's Church, Blyth, Northumberland, Frederick James Wilkinson, M.B., B.S., to Mary Cynthia Fairlie.

DEATHS

Bowden.—On July 20, 1951, at Trevoise, Riverside Road, West Moors, Wimborne, Dorset, Ellis Campbell Bowden, M.C., F.R.C.S.

Hollings.—On July 16, 1951, at a Scarborough nursing-home, Harold Thomas Hollings, L.R.C.P.&S.Ed., L.R.F.P.S., of 1, Granville Square, Scarborough, aged 82.

Lee.—On July 22, 1951, at 26, Stafford Terrace, Kensington, London, W., Robert Hammersley Lee, M.D.

Price.—On July 17, 1951, at The Hollies, Horton, Gower, Glam, Höel Parry Price, V.R.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.A., Surgeon Captain, R.N.V.R., retired.

Shanly.—On July 13, 1951, at European Hospital, Nairobi, Hubert Michael George Shanly, M.B., B.S.

Spicer.—On July 16, 1951, at Barton-on-Sea, Hants, Arthur Herbert Spicer, M.C., M.B., B.S., D.P.H., of Graffham, Petworth, Sussex, aged 79.

Steel.—On July 21, 1951, at 64, Church Lane, Wool, Warcham, Dorset, Richard Francis Steel, M.B., B.Ch., F.R.C.S.Ed., Lieutenant-Colonel I.M.S., retired, aged 73.