

superficial for the experienced but rather too elaborate for the student. Respiratory symptoms are then considered before a systematic description of various respiratory diseases. The diseases are all approached in a manner that is reminiscent of Letheby Tidy's famous synopsis but with rather more textual elaboration.

It would not be at all easy to use this book as a guide to treatment. Though a lot of drugs are mentioned in every section there is never a clear statement on how to proceed with the treatment of any particular case. Many aetiological theories are described as doubtful, including the attribution of lung cancer to smoking. A page and a half is devoted to the use of artificial pneumothorax in the treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis.

Anybody who wants to see what is presumably a rather conservative expression of present French views about the aetiology, diagnosis, and treatment of respiratory diseases will find food for thought in this book, but it cannot be recommended as a guide to the student or practising doctor.

C. M. FLETCHER.

BOOKS RECEIVED

Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received.

Human Embryology. (Prenatal Development of Form and Function.) By W. J. Hamilton, M.D., D.Sc., F.R.C.O.G., F.R.S.E., J. D. Boyd, M.A., M.D., D.Sc., and H. W. Mossman, M.S., Ph.D. Illustrations by A. K. Maxwell. Third edition. (Pp. 493+viii; illustrated. 75s.) Cambridge: W. Heffer and Sons Ltd. 1962.

Evolution and Illness. A Short Essay on the Clinical Significance and Evolutionary Vestiges. By R. M. J. Harper, M.A., D.M.Oxon. (Pp. 108+vii; illustrated. 25s.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone. 1962.

A History of Syphilis. By Charles Clayton Dennie, M.D., D.Sc. (Pp. 137+x. \$7.50.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. 1962.

The Molecular Basis of Neoplasia. A Collection of Papers presented at the Fifteenth Annual Symposium on Fundamental Cancer Research, 1961. (Pp. 614; illustrated. \$10.50.) Austin 12, Texas: The University of Texas Press. 1962.

Rheoencephalography. A Method for the Continuous Registration of Cerebrovascular Changes. By Fritz L. Jenkner, M.D. (Pp. 81+x; illustrated. \$5.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. 1962.

Smooth Muscle Tumors of the Alimentary Tract. By John E. Skandalakis, M.D., F.A.C.S., and Stephen W. Gray, Ph.D., with Duncan Shepard, M.D., M.S.(Surg.), F.A.C.S., and Geoffrey H. Bourne, D.Sc., D.Phil., F.Z.S. (Pp. 468+xiv; illustrated. \$17.50.) Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas. 1962.

Tumors of the Breast. Their Pathology, Symptoms, Diagnosis, and Treatment. By Max Cutler, M.D. (Pp. 482+xv; illustrated. £7 10s.) London: Pitman Medical Publishing Co. Ltd. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company. 1962.

Praktische EKG-Auswertung. By R. Schoder and E. Sudhof. (Pp. 99. DM. 48.) Stuttgart: Friedrich-Karl Schattauer. 1962.

Früherkennung des Krebses. Edited by Professor Dr. A. Linke (Pp. 653+xvi; illustrated. DM. 110.) Stuttgart: Friedrich-Karl Schattauer. 1962.

Notfalltherapie bei Kindern. Edited by E. Rossi. (Pp. 132; illustrated. Sw. Fr. 19.) Basle and New York: S. Karger. 1962.

Body Fluid Disturbances. Edited by W. D. Snively, jun., M.D. (Pp. 122+iv; illustrated. \$4.75.) New York and London: Grune and Stratton, Inc. 1962.

Anticoagulants and Fibrinolysins. International Symposium. Edited by R. L. MacMillan and J. F. Mustard. (Pp. 449+xvii; illustrated. 60s.) London: Pitman Medical Publishing Co. Ltd. 1962.

Clinical Problems of Young Children. The Proceedings of the 18th Child Guidance Inter-Clinic Conference, 1962. (Pp. 48. 3s. 6d.) London: National Association for Mental Health. 1962.

The Biochemistry of Intracellular Parasitism. By James W. Moulder. (Pp. 171+xv; illustrated. 48s.) London: University of Chicago Press. 1962.

Practical Home Nursing. Foreword by M. E. Craven, Chief Nursing Officer, British Red Cross Society. (Pp. 65; illustrated. 3s.) London: Published for the British Red Cross Society by Educational Productions Ltd. 1962.

A Library Guide for Schools of Nursing. (Pp. 19. 2s. 6d.) London: The Royal College of Nursing. 1962.

The Sociological Review Monograph No. 5: Sociology and Medicine. Studies within the framework of the British National Health Service. Edited by Paul Halmos. (Pp. 222. 21s.) Keele: University of Keele. 1962.

Beiträge zur modernen Therapie 4. Edited by Dr. med. et rer. nat. Peter G. Hesse, assisted by Dr. W. Schorcht, Dr. A. Schmidt, and H. John. (Pp. 346+xii; illustrated. DM. 40.70.) Jena: Veb Gustav Fischer. 1962.

Biochemistry. By Israel S. Kleiner, Ph.D., and James M. Orten, Ph.D. Sixth edition. (Pp. 867; illustrated. 73s. 6d.) St. Louis: The C. V. Mosby Company. London: Henry Kimpton. 1962.

Proceedings of the 7th International Congress for Microbiological Standardization London 1961. Edited by A. F. B. Standfast, D. G. Evans, and B. G. F. Weitz. (Pp. 556+vii; illustrated. £6 12s. 6d.) Edinburgh and London: E. and S. Livingstone Ltd. 1962.

Praktische Fragen an die Kardiologie. By Dr. med. R. Günther, Professor Dr. med. M. J. Halhuber, and Dr. med. H. Kirchmair. (Pp. 486+xvi. DM. 33.) Munich and Berlin: Urban and Schwarzenberg. 1962.

The Doctor's Dilemmas. By Louis Lasagna, M.D. (Pp. 306+xiii. 25s.) London: Victor Gollancz. 1962.

The Growing Brain. An Essay in Developmental Neurology. By M. C. H. Dodgson, M.D. (Pp. 238+viii; illustrated. 50s.) Bristol: John Wright and Sons Ltd. 1962.

Hypertonie. III. Symposion an der Medizinischen Universitäts-Klinik Munster (Westf.) 25 and 26 August 1961. Edited by Professor Dr. W. H. Hauss and Professor Dr. H. Losse. (Pp. 154; illustrated. DM. 27.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1962.

The General and Plastic Surgery of the Hand. By Patrick Clarkson, M.B.E., M.B., B.S.(London), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), and Anthony Pelly, M.B., B.S.(Sydney), B.Sc.(Med.)(Sydney), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), F.R.A.C.S. (Pp. 428+xiv; illustrated. 63s.) Oxford: Blackwell Scientific Publications. 1962.

Die Kolposkopie in der Praxis. By Professor Dr. Herbert Cramer. Second edition. (Pp. 116+xi; illustrated. DM. 30.) Stuttgart: Georg Thieme Verlag. 1962.

Brompton Hospital Reports. A Collection of Papers by Members of the Staffs of the Hospitals for Diseases of the Chest, Brompton Hospital, London Chest Hospital, and of the Institute of Diseases of the Chest. Volume XXX, 1961. (Pp. 287+viii; illustrated. 15s.) London: Lloyd-Luke (Medical Books) Ltd. 1961.

Dissection of the Brain. A Topographical and Technical Guide. By Laszlo Komaromy, M.D. (Pp. 127; illustrated.) Budapest: Akademiai Kiado. 1962.

Intestinal Absorption. By T. Hastings Wilson, M.D., Ph.D. (Pp. 263+ix; illustrated. 77s.) London and Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders Company. 1962.

Medical State Board Questions and Answers. By Harrison F. Flippin, M.D. Tenth edition. (Pp. 507+xiii. 66s. 6d.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1962.

A Short Practice of Surgery. By Hamilton Bailey, F.R.C.S. (Eng.), F.A.C.S., F.I.C.S., F.R.S.E., and McNeill Love, M.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), F.A.C.S., F.I.C.S. With chapters by John Charnley, F.R.C.S.(Eng.), William P. Cleland, M.R.C.P. (Lond.), F.R.C.S.(Eng.), and Geoffrey Knight, F.R.C.S.(Eng.). Twelfth edition. (Pp. 1,330+xii; illustrated. 84s.) London: H. K. Lewis and Co. Ltd. 1962.

Psychological Development in Health and Disease. By George L. Engel, M.D. (Pp. 435+xxxiv. 52s. 6d.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1962.

Council, and was later appointed honorary consultant surgeon in charge of traumatic and orthopaedic services in the North and Mid-Cheshire group of hospitals and Alderley Cottage Hospital.

It was about this time that the interest he had always taken in the medico-legal aspect of surgery, particularly with relation to trauma, developed and widened, and although he always maintained an active interest in the clinical practice of surgery (especially athletic injuries, in which he had a keen interest and an extensive practice among professional athletes) he became widely known throughout the North-west as the leading medico-legal opinion in matters surgical. His genial and kindly temperament, combined with his wide clinical experience, made him much sought after, and he was greatly respected among his many friends in consultant practice and also among the younger members of the profession. He had probably the largest medico-legal practice in the North of England, and his opinion was constantly sought by trade unions, insurance companies, and solicitors. He had many close friends in the hierarchy of the legal world and in the County and Assize Courts, and to these his death will come as a great loss.

Apart from his professional interests, he was an omnivorous reader, and as a member of the Hallé Society he took a keen interest in music. He was also a member of the committee of the Clarendon Club in Manchester.

Henry Poston was a man of great charm and ability whose life was full and varied. All those who knew him will regret his death deeply and sympathize wholeheartedly with his charming wife, who shared so much of his life. He will be much missed in Manchester surgical and medico-legal circles and by his many friends.

Medico-Legal

THE PATIENT'S RIGHT OF CONFIDENCE

[FROM OUR LEGAL CORRESPONDENT]

In general, a doctor can be compelled by a third person to disclose details concerning his patient only if he is served with an order known as a subpoena. The order may be a subpoena *ad testificandum* (which compels the recipient only to give oral evidence) or subpoena *duces tecum* (ordering him to produce named documents). These orders must be obeyed on pain of imprisonment for contempt (though it is possible to apply to the court to set aside the subpoena in appropriate cases). A subpoena may be issued by a court (civil or criminal) or certain statutory tribunals, including some professional disciplinary tribunals: the General Medical Council is one such tribunal. The service of a subpoena on a potential witness will usually be followed up by a solicitor, who will ask to be given a "proof" of evidence—that is, a statement of the evidence which the witness has within his knowledge. The witness cannot be compelled to give such a proof, but refusal to give it may involve a considerable responsibility. Refusal may result in the lawyers failing to bring all the relevant facts out of the witness in court, and so cause injustice.

In criminal cases police might endeavour to extract confidential information from a doctor by threat of prosecution for misprision of felony. Cases of this sort will be rare, and the relevant law is so ill defined (*Journal*, June 30, p. 1840) that the doctor concerned would be better guided by his conscience than by any speculation as to what the law is or how it may be administered. There are also certain statutory reports—for instance, those under the Public Health Act, 1936—which a doctor must make. These are a further exception to the general immunity from compulsion. There may be cases where a doctor could be compelled under the

law of contract to give information either to his own patient or sometimes to a third person, such as a prospective employer of the patient, or a life assurance company by whom the doctor is retained to make a report after a medical examination.

Contractual Right

How far a doctor is entitled to disclose confidential information about his patient is governed, so far as the profession is concerned, by a strict ethical code. The law is that the patient has a contractual right as against his doctor to have his confidences kept secret. Such a contract could in many cases probably be spelt out even as between a National Health Service patient and his doctor. There are additional remedies springing from the ancient jurisdiction of equity which protect the right of confidence irrespective of any contract. But if a doctor discloses confidences under legal compulsion the patient cannot, in law, make any complaint against him.

The equitable jurisdiction in respect of breach of trust or confidence would, in certain circumstance, provide a remedy to prevent or provide compensation for misuse by a third person of information or documents supplied to him by a patient's doctor for a limited or confidential purpose. The remedies would be available usually at the suit of the patient rather than at the suit of the doctor.

The leading case on the subject of breach of confidence is that of *Prince Albert v. Strange*.¹ The principles have been developed in modern times, mainly in relation to trade secrets, but they still lack definition in many points. In two modern cases^{2,3} the following proposition was approved:

"If the defendant is proved to have used confidential information directly or indirectly obtained from the plaintiff without his consent express or implied he will be guilty of infringement of the plaintiff's rights."

No doubt in most cases the patient impliedly consents to his doctor passing confidential information on to nurses, consultants, and so forth. If, however, either the doctor or the nurse divulged the information to another person the patient has a remedy against each for breach of confidence.

Universities and Colleges

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

In Congregation on August 4 the following degrees were conferred:

D.M.—G. H. Bush.
B.M.—A. D. R. Disher.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE

Dr. K. C. Dixon has been appointed a Reader in Cytopathology with tenure from October 1, 1962.

In Congregation on August 4 the following degrees were conferred:

M.D.—*G. E. G. Williams, P. B. Clark, J. Liddell.
M.CHIR.—L. R. H. Gracey.
M.B., B.CHIR.—M. A. Shields, *M. G. Glasspool, R. H. Jago, T. A. M. Stoker, *J. Keenaa, *D. T. Mansie, *L. Zietara, *R. N. Maini, K. W. James.
M.B.—J. S. M. Beales, E. L. Datnow, A. Seaton, *G. W. Gamlen, M. N. Cohen, D. E. Davies, M. V. Bright, *M. D. Jones, *S. H. Thomas, J. F. N. Taylor, N. J. Barwell, O. C. Wetherell, H. J. Pendleton, Margaret E. Abel, Deborah M. Normaa, Mary A. Rossiter, Carol R. Deller, June M. Downes, *Elizabeth A. Whittell.
*By proxy.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

The following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

ACADEMIC POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC HEALTH.—M. A. Ansari, S. B. Asea, M. Ashley-Miller, E. R. Asiedu, D. W. Atkinson, J. Beasley, N. S. Black, H. J. L. Burgess, I. McL. Campbell, R. V. Cellona, G. A. H. Cookson, Jean M. G. M. Cordier, W. M. Cornelius, T. de Reus, J. W. Drummond, J. L. Facer, T. R. P. Hackett, W. E. Hassan, A. S. Hassoun, E. C. Howarth, J. R. H. Humphreys, Wanda H. Jarczyk, V. M. Joglekar, D. R. Kinloch, A. A. Lama, *E. Lisberg, T. M. C. Lindsay, A. M. Lush, D. H. McFerran, A. S. Mbutia, G. G. McIlland, I. H. Mercer, P. J. Munano, F. S. Obioha, K. P. O'Byrne, A. Omololu, Mary J. O'Sullivan, F. A. Partow, J. E. Pearson, J. S. B. Preece, M. H. Ryder, A. P. Sackett, G. M. Shaw, Betty E. Shortland, C. M. C. Smelt,

¹ (1849) 1 Mac & G 25.

² *Saltman Engrg. Co. Ltd. v. Campbell Engrg. Co.* (1948) 65 R.P.C. 203.

³ *Nichrotherm Elec. Co. v. Percy* [1956] R.P.C. 272.

D. P. Smyly, P. S. Sodeland, Maxine Staniford, ¹W. D. Symes, M. S. Uduwela, L. Wai, T. S. Zubairi.

ACADEMIC POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA IN OCCUPATIONAL HYGIENE.—C. M. S. Coppin, G. M. Davies, S. A. Roach, L. K. Smith.

¹Awarded a mark of distinction.

UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

The title of Reader in Medicine has been conferred upon Dr. P. C. Harris, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Medicine.

The title of Reader in Neuropathology has been conferred upon Dr. W. T. Smith, Senior Lecturer in the Department of Pathology.

The following appointments are announced: Dr. H. G. Klemperer, Lecturer in the Department of Biochemistry, from October 1, 1962; Dr. A. Wakeling, Research Fellow in the Department of Anatomy, from August 1, 1962; Dr. C. E. Oxnard, Lecturer in Anatomy for Dental Students in the Department of Anatomy, from August 1, 1962; Dr. J. G. Mortimer, Research Fellow in the Institute of Child Health, from July 16, 1962.

In Congregation on July 13 the honorary degree of D.Litt. was conferred on Sir Geoffrey Keynes.

The following degrees were conferred:

M.D.—D. S. Rowe (with honours), L. A. G. Davidson.
Ph.D.—In the Faculty of Medicine: C. E. Oxnard.
M.B.—¹Dorothy J. Bicknell, ¹S. E. A. Jones, ¹W. J. A. Westwood, ²A. S. Adeove, ²D. Bainbridge, ²J. R. Barker, ²H. Barnard, ²M. Beck, ²A. R. Beebejaun, ²G. J. Bhatt, ²R. A. D. Booth, ²Barbara M. Cave, ²G. T. J. Cook, ²H. Creme, ²Rosalind M. Curtis, ²J. R. A. Deans, ²A. G. Donovan, ²J. Dorricott, ²M. J. Evans, ²R. J. Fitchford, ²A. Foister, ²S. E. Ford, ²G. B. Gelling, ²Elizabeth M. Gregg, ²D. Hodgekinson, ²Margaret G. Hudspeth, ²Pamela D. Hughes, ²D. J. Humphson, ²S. K. M. Jivani, ²P. J. E. Johnson, ²W. Jolly, ²A. M. Jukes, ²M. S. Kearney, ²Angela J. Liebling, ²Y. S. Loh, ²M. F. J. Lowry, ²A. J. Lucas, ²Mary P. McGovern, ²J. B. Marczak, ²S. C. Mehta, ²D. Morrison, ²D. G. Moves, ²M. G. Mucklow, ²H. G. Percival, ²Diana M. Price, ²P. H. Price, ²K. Prowse, ²Veronica J. Richards, ²D. Sampson, ²M. S. Smith, ²T. C. G. Smith, ²E. J. F. Spicer, ²Yvonne Steel, ²M. J. Stokes, ²J. W. W. Studd, ²M. D. Taylor, ²A. R. Thomas, ²M. Thomas, ²G. Tildesley, ²W. Urwin, ²M. J. Whallett, ²J. Whitley, ²B. T. Williams, ²C. A. K. Williams, ²B. D. Wilne, ²J. M. Wilner, ²N. A. Woodward.

The following scholarships, etc., were awarded in the Faculty of Medicine: *Queen's Scholarships*, Dorothy J. Bicknell (final year), Elspeth J. Oliver (fifth year). *Ingleby Scholarships*, E. A. Jones (obstetrics and gynaecology), A. J. Lucas and T. C. G. Smith (paediatrics and child health). *Walter Asten Scholarship*, Janine R. G. Davies. *Arthur Foxwell Memorial Prize in Clinical Medicine*, Dorothy J. Bicknell and G. Tildesley. *Sampson Gamgee Memorial Prize in Surgery*, J. A. Foister. *Joseph Sankey Prize in Clinical Surgery*, N. J. Dorricott. *Beckwith Whitehouse Prize in Obstetrics and Gynaecology*, Diana M. Price. *Cyril Raison Prize in Surgical Diseases in Children*, P. H. Price and K. Prowse. *Russell Memorial Prize in Nervous Diseases*, E. J. F. Spicer. *Priestley Smith Prize in Ophthalmology*, R. O. C. Summers. *Douglas Marsh Ear, Nose, and Throat Prize*, W. J. A. Westwood. *Arthur Beauchamp Essay Prize*, L. T. Harrington. *Leith-Newman Prize in Pathology (Medical)* and *Bostock Hill Memorial Prize in Social Medicine*, Elspeth J. Oliver. *Bertram Windle Prize in Anatomy*, B. M. Barker. *John Barritt Melson Memorial Prize in Physiology*, N. J. Hodson-Walker. *Peter Thomson Prize in Anatomy*, Jean W. Wilkinson and Kathleen M. Yates.

¹Degree of Ch.B., with honours, conferred *in absentia* by special warrant on June 19, 1962. ²Degree Ch.B. conferred *in absentia* by special warrant on June 19, 1962. ³With second-class honours. ⁴Distinction in pathology and bacteriology. ⁵Distinction in obstetrics and gynaecology. ⁶Distinction in social medicine. ⁷Distinction in forensic medicine. ⁸Distinction in pharmacology and therapeutics.

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

On August 8 the honorary degree of D.Sc. was conferred on Louis Harold Gray, Ph.D., F.R.S., director of the British Empire Cancer Campaign Research Unit at the Mount Vernon Hospital.

ROYAL AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS

At a meeting of the general body of fellows of the College held in Melbourne on August 8, 1962, the following were elected and admitted to Fellowship of the College:

Under Article 44, Professor V. L. Collins, of Victoria; H. J. Ham, C. H. Swanton, and R. R. Winton, of New South Wales. *Under Article 42*, J. M. Alexander and H. M. Whyte, of New South Wales; J. F. Funder, J. M. Gardiner, T. H. Hurley, I. R. Mackay, R. A. Melick, and S. A. Sewell, of Victoria; R. W. Hawker, D. A. Henderson, A. H. Robertson, and V. E. Sampson, of Queensland; C. H. Garlick, L. G. Hannah, S. C. Hawes, J. D. Hunter, E. M. McLachlan, E. K. Macleod, M. J. Murray, T. H. Pullar, J. L. Reynolds, and J. M. Tweed, of New Zealand.

The following candidates, who were successful at an examination held in Australia, were admitted to Membership of the College on August 8, 1962:

A. R. Cooke, W. W. Coupland, P. D. Edwards, K. J. Goulston, J. K. Healy, N. R. Noble, P. B. Rowe, R. A. Vandenberg, and P. W. White, of New South Wales; G. W. Boyd, D. J. Brand, B. G. Clarke, G. Conron, M. A. Denborough, J. A. Harley, and J. S. Robinson, of Victoria; K. E. Hirschfeld and A. N. Whitaker, of Queensland; S. S. Sindhu and L. L. Wilson, of South Australia; M. S. T. Hobbs, of Western Australia.

Vital Statistics

Child with Smallpox from India

The 3-year-old Indian boy who was admitted from the liner *Oronsay* to Long Reach Isolation Hospital, Dartford, a fortnight ago with smallpox (see *B.M.J.*, August 25, p. 556) has been seriously ill, but was recovering at the beginning of this week. There have been no further developments, and the sixteen-day formal surveillance of contacts ends at the beginning of September.

Smallpox in Nyasaland and Northern Rhodesia

In his Annual Report on the Public Health of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland for the Year 1961, Dr. D. M. Blair, Secretary for Health, refers to the continuing problem of smallpox in Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland. In Northern Rhodesia 223 cases were reported with 8 deaths. In Nyasaland the epidemic current in 1960 continued throughout 1961, when 1,465 cases were reported with 161 deaths. Work on the smallpox eradication campaign under arrangements made by the World Health Organization continued during the year, and in the Federation as a whole 2,759,944 vaccinations were done. Of these, 566,695 were primary vaccinations. On a rough estimate about 350,000 of the children born each year in the Federation survive the first year of life. Thus the primary vaccinations done in 1961 would cover all such children and about 200,000 older people who had not been vaccinated. Nearly half of the people vaccinated for the first time were re-examined and 79% of these were found to have a satisfactory scar. About half the population of the Federation has now been vaccinated during the campaign, and the value of searching out people for primary vaccination and of follow-up observations has become increasingly appreciated.

Infectious Diseases

Areas where the numbers of notifications were high in the latest two weeks for which figures are available.

	Week Ending	
	August 11	August 18
Dysentery		
Lancashire ...	66	72
London ...	33	36
Staffordshire ...	10	18
Yorkshire West Riding ...	69	54
Leeds C.B. ...	21	16
Glasgow ...	85	100
Food-poisoning		
Isle of Wight ...	20	51
Newport M.B. ...	20	51
Surrey ...	0	29
Guildford M.B. ...	0	24
Cumberland ...	0	14
Carlisle C.B. ...	0	14
Wiltshire ...	1	12
Warminster U.D. ...	0	12
Gloucestershire ...	0	10
Bristol C.B. ...	0	10

Salmonellae in Turkey Carcasses

After isolating salmonellae from 36 (19.3%) of 187 specimens from one English turkey-processing factory and from 10 (7.8%) of 129 samples from another, J. M. S.

"Family Doctor"

The September issue of *Family Doctor* is now available, price 1s. 6d. It contains articles on keeping children away from school unnecessarily, by Professor R. S. ILLINGWORTH; on immunization for children, by Dr. E. J. TRIMMER; on parents, their children, and the doctor, by Dr. S. YUDKIN; on acne, by Dr. S. HYAMS; and on headaches, by Dr. K. S. HOLT.

In Brief

► A new Department of Exfoliative Cytology has been opened in the Institute of Clinical Pathology and Medical Research at Lidcombe, New South Wales. It is concerned primarily with the cytological diagnosis of smears taken for the screening of patients for uterine cancer, and all doctors in New South Wales may make use of the service (*Med. J. Aust.*, July 14).

► A new tuberculosis hospital staffed by African doctors is to be built in the southern outskirts of Durban to serve a growing African township there. It will be the first hospital in Natal to be staffed entirely by Africans.

People in the News

► Sir FRANCIS IBIAM, Governor of the Eastern Region of Nigeria, has been appointed a K.C.M.G.

► Under the auspices of the British Council Dr. J. C. A. RAISON (King Edward VII Memorial Chest Hospital) is to visit Portugal, and Professor H. L. SHEEHAN (Liverpool University) Hungary and Poland.

COMING EVENTS

Chartered Society of Physiotherapy.—Annual congress, "The Road to Recovery," September 13-15, Assembly Rooms, St. Pancras Town Hall, Euston Road, London N.W.1. Details from Society, Tavistock House (South), Tavistock Square, London W.C.1.

Nutrition Society (Scottish Group).—Symposium, "Assessment of Nutritional Status in Man," September 29, 1.30 p.m., Lecture Theatre, Chemistry Building, Meston Walk, Old Aberdeen. Details from Dr. D. G. ARMSTRONG, Hannah Dairy Research Institute, Ayr, Scotland.

Leicester Royal Infirmary.—Ex-residents' quinquennial dinner, October 19, Grand Hotel, Leicester. Ex-residents who have not received notices should write to Dr. E. MILFORD WARD, Leicester Royal Infirmary.

New Issues of Specialist Journals

The journals listed below are obtainable from the Publishing Manager, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London W.C.1

ARCHIVES OF DISEASE IN CHILDHOOD

The contents of the August issue are as follows:

Natural History of Hydrocephalus. K. M. Laurence and Stephen Coates.
Minimal Rates of Head Growth in First Four Months of Life. Eileen M. O'Neill.

Placental Transfer of Gases and Fixed Acids. G. Rooth and S. Sjöstedt.
Factors Influencing Neonatal Jaundice. B. S. B. Wood, P. E. Culley, J. A. H. Waterhouse, and D. J. Powell.

Renal Pathology in Malnourished Infants. G. A. Stirling.
Urinary Radio-Iodine Excretion in the Malnourished Infant. R. D. Montgomery.

Some Aspects of Gastric Function in the Newborn. Seymour Mason.
Investigation of Acute Respiratory Disease in Children Admitted to Hospital in South-west Metropolitan Region. D. H. Garrow and C. E. D. Taylor.

Relation Between Splenectomy and Subsequent Infection. Margaret Horan and John H. Colebatch.
Case of Galactosaemia with Pathological and Neuropathological Findings. L. Crome.

Segmental Dilatation of Small Intestine. Stig Sjölin and Lars Thorén.
Polycythaemia and Hepatitis in a Newborn. R. J. Walsh, R. D. K. Reye, and Thomas Stapleton.

Megaloblastic Anaemia Complicating Dietary Treatment of Phenylketonuria in Infancy. N. J. W. Royston and T. E. Parry.

Purpura Fulminans in Newborn Baby. R. L. van der Horst.
Generalized Haemorrhagic Vaccinia during Remission of Acute Leukaemia. Janina Kozłowska and Lech Szymela.

Intrauterine Myocardial Infarction. Eric N. Coleman and Alistair M. MacDonald.

British Paediatric Association. Proceedings of Thirty-third Annual Meeting.

Book Reviews.

Volume 37, No. 194. (Bi-monthly; £4 4s. yearly.)

**BRITISH JOURNAL OF PHARMACOLOGY
AND CHEMOTHERAPY**

The contents of the August issue are as follows:

Proceedings of British Pharmacological Society, Oxford, July 19 to 21.
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Burke.—On August 7, 1962, suddenly in Dublin, William Beaufort Burke, L.R.C.P.&S.I., of 61 Boundary Road, Newark, Nottinghamshire.

Heath.—On August 10, 1962, at Harold Wood Hospital, William Stanley Heath, M.B., Ch.B., of 33 Parkland Avenue, Upminster, Essex.

Rawlings.—On August 10, 1962, at Manchester Royal Infirmary, Frederick William Rawlings, M.B., Ch.B., late of 274 Oxford Road, Manchester 13.

Ronaldson.—On August 9, 1962, at an Edinburgh nursing-home, Janet Carfrae Ronaldson, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., of 2 Cairnmuir Road, Edinburgh 12.

Ross.—On August 11, 1962, at Tredington, Warwickshire, Malcolm Stuart Ross, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.C.S.Ed.

Stirling.—On July 31, 1962, at St. Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire, Eire, Blanche Gertrude Colomba Stirling (formerly Griffin), M.B., B.Ch.

Taylor.—On August 10, 1962, Frederic Ernest Taylor, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., of 12 Beech Grove, Epsom Downs, Surrey, aged 85.