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10 A.M.—Meeting of Committee of Council.

11 A.M.—Meeting of the Council of 1878-79.

3 P.M.—General Meeting. President's Address; Annual Report of Council, and other business.

8 P.M.—Reception by the President of the Association and the Local Reception Committee at Queen's College.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6TH.

9.30 A.M.—Meeting of Council of 1879-80.

11 A.M.—Second General Meeting. Address in Medicine.

2 to 5 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

8 P.M.—Reception by the Mayor, Corporation, and Citizens of Cork.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7TH.

9 A.M.—Meeting of the Committee of Council.

10 A.M.—Third General Meeting. Reports of Committees.

11 A.M.—Address in Surgery.

2 to 5 P.M.—Sectional Meetings.

6.30 P.M.—Public Dinner.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8TH.

10 A.M.—Address in Public Health.

11 A.M.—Sectional Meetings.

1.30 P.M.—Concluding General Meeting.

4 P.M.—Garden Party by Reception Committee at Queen's College.

8 P.M.—Concert by the Reception Committee.

Arrangements have been made for providing a Subsection of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology in the Surgical Section. Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, F.R.C.S., has consented to take the Chair. Dr. James Patterson Cassells, of Glasgow, will act as Honorary Secretary for Otolaryngology; and Mr. H. R. Swanzy, of 23, Merrion Square North, Dublin, and Mr. Edward Nettleship, of 4, Wimpole Street, London, will act as Secretaries for Ophthalmology.

There will also be a Subsection of Dermatology in the Section of Medicine. Professor McCall Anderson has consented to take the Chair, and Mr. Malcolm A. Morris, 63, Montagu Square, Hyde Park, W., London, and Dr. Walter Smith, 34, Lower Baggot Street, Dublin, will act as Honorary Secretaries.

SECTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS.

SECTION A.—MEDICINE.

The following subjects have been selected for discussion in the section.

1. "On the Value of Mountain Air in the Treatment of Phthisis." Drs. H. Bennet, Clifford Allbutt, Berkart, Cuming, and Roberts have notified their intention of taking part in the discussion.

2. "Alcohol in Fever." Drs. James Little, Macnaughton Jones, Tibbits, Balthazar Foster, Norman Kerr, Gairdner, Wade, and Cuming will read papers and take part in the discussion on this subject.

3. "Tracheotomy in Croup." Drs. Wm. Squire and Corley, Mr. R. W. Parker, Drs. William Thomson, Cuming, John Moore, and Mr. William Stokes will read papers and take part in the discussion on this subject.

The following papers are also promised for this section.

ALLBUTT, T. Clifford, M.D., and JACOB, E. H., M.B. Simple Dilatation of the Stomach, and its Treatment.

BEARD, George, M.D. (New York). Inebriety, and allied Nervous Diseases in America.

COLLIE, Alexander, M.D. The Cold Bath in the Treatment of Enteric Fever.

CUMING, James, M.D. A Case of Diplegia.

DONKIN, Horatio, M.B. Some cases of Abnormally High Temperature.

DRYSDALE, Charles R., M.D. Syphilitic Albuminuria.

ELLIOT, Robert, M.D. Some rare and inexplicable Nervous Affections.

FOTHERGILL, J. Milner, M.D. Diagnostic Ceremonial.

HAYDEN, Thomas, F.R.C.S. Certain Varieties of Cardiac Neurosis.

HOWIE, James M., M.B. The Power of Alcohol to Prolong Life in Wasting Disease.

MACCORMAC, Henry, M.D. Tubercle and Tubercular Disease: their Genesis and Origin.

MACKENZIE, Morell, M.D. Laryngeal Phthisis.

SAUNDBY, Robert, M.D. Albuminuria.

SMITH, Walter, M.D. The Bismuth-test for Grape-Sugar.

SQUIRE, William, M.D. The Influence of Treatment in the Cure of Rheumatic Fever before and since the employment of Salicylic Acid.

TIBBITS, Edward T., M.D. 1. The Modern Theory of the Action of Digitalis.

Subsection of Dermatology.

A discussion on "Lupus, its Varieties and Treatment", will be opened by Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson. Mr. Cottle, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Malcolm Morris, Mr. Balmanno Squire, Mr. Startin, Dr. Stowers, and Dr. Thin will take part in the debate. The following papers will be read in connection with this subject.

ANDERSON, T. McCall, M.D. The Use of Iodide of Starch in the Treatment of Lupus Erythematoses.

SQUIRE, Balmanno, M.B. The Treatment of Lupus by Linear Scarification.

STOWERS, J. HERBERT, M.D. On Lupus.

The following papers will also be read in this subsection.

FARQUHARSON, Robert, M.D. The Use of Arsenic in Skin-Diseases.

MOORE, Charles F., M.D. Notes on Erythema Nodosum.

MORRIS, Malcolm A., Esq. 1. On Scarification as a New Remedy in Skin-Diseases. 2. Some Remarks on Molluscum Contagiosum.

SANGSTER, Alfred, M.B. On so-called Hydroa.
SMITH, Walter G., M.D. 1. On a peculiar Moniliform or Varicose Condition of the Hair. 2. On Favus: a Case of Infection traced to a Cat, with Specimen.
THIN, George, M.D. On Cancerous Ulcers of the Skin.

SECTION B.—SURGERY.

The special subjects for discussion in this section are:

1. "Subcutaneous Osteotomy." The discussion will be opened by Mr. William Adams. The following gentlemen will take part in the discussion: E. H. Bennett, M.D.; John Fagan, Esq.; Rushton Parker, Esq.; and Dr. A. Ogston; and papers in connection with this subject are promised by the following members.

BRODHURST, Bernard E., Esq. On an Operation for Genu Valgum, with some Remarks on Osteotomy.

GANT, F. J., Esq. Subcutaneous Osteotomy below the Trochanter.

MACEWEN, William, M.D. Antiseptic Osteotomy.

PARKER, Robert W., Esq. Subcutaneous Osteotomy in Young Children.

2. "The Diagnosis and Treatment of Joint-Diseases in their various stages." Dr. Lewis A. Sayre of New York will open the discussion. The following gentlemen have promised to take part in the discussion on the subject: E. H. Bennett, M.D.; E. D. Mapother, M.D.; and Rushton Parker, Esq.

Papers are also promised by:

FAGAN, John, Esq. Notes on the Treatment of Disease of the Wrist-Joint, with Report of a Successful Case of Excision in a Child Six Years Old.

GANT, F. J., Esq. On Excision of the Knee-Joint under special circumstances.

JOHNSON, Z., Esq. On the Free Opening of Joints.

JONES, H. Macnaughton, M.D. Exhibition of Cases illustrative of Operative Interference in Diseases of the Hip, Knee, and Ankle-Joints.

STOKES, William, M.D. On Resection in Joint-Disease.

TEALE, T. Pridgin, Esq.

3. "Treatment of Aneurism by Electrolysis." A paper on this subject will be read by Dr. Herbert Tibbitts. The following gentlemen have promised to take part in the discussion: Joliffe Tufnell, Esq.; T. Clifford Allbutt, M.D.; and Balthazar Foster, M.D.

The following communications on various subjects are also promised.

ANDREW, Edwyn, M.D. On a New Method of Using Ice, especially in cases of Operation.

BENNETT, E. H., M.D. 1. On Comminuted Fractures of the Upper Third of the Femur. 2. On Colles' Fracture. 3. An Analysis of the Varieties of Compound Fractures.

FAGAN, John, Esq. 1. Will exhibit some Splints, which he thinks are novel, and believes to be good. 2. Morbid Specimens.

HILL, Berkeley, Esq. On the Effect of Stricture near the Meatus in causing Sub-public Contraction of the Urethra.

JOHNSON, Z., Esq. 1. On a Special and Peculiar Treatment of Varus (to be illustrated on a living example, if possible). 2. On a Special Treatment of Nævus. 3. On a Splint and Foot-piece (original), to be exhibited.

MCDONNELL, Robert, M.D. The Intravenous Injection of Blood and other Fluids.

MELDON, Austen S., Esq. The Intravenous Injection of Milk.

OWEN, Edmund, Esq. Remarks on the Cause of Eversion of the Limb after Fracture of the Neck of the Femur.

PARKER, Rushton, Esq. On Amputation through the Femoral Condyles by the Methods of Lister and Stokes.

STEELE, Charles, Esq. On Chair-supports for Spinal Curvatures (chair to be exhibited).

TEEVAN, W. F., Esq. One Hundred Cases of Operation for Stone in the Bladder.

THOMSON, William, M.D. On Dupuytren's Fracture.

Sub-section of Ophthalmology and Otology.

Ophthalmology.—The following are the subjects for discussion.

1. "The Treatment of Glaucoma." The discussion will be opened by Mr. Power of London. The following papers will be read in connection with this subject.

COWELL, G., Esq. On Glaucoma.

TAYLOR, C. Bell, M.D. Sclerotomy and Iridectomy in Glaucoma.

DE WICKER, Dr. Sclerotomy for Chronic Simple Glaucoma.

2. "Examination for Colour-Blindness." The discussion will be opened by Mr. R. Swanzy of Dublin. A paper on the subject is promised by Professor Cohn of Breslau.

3. "The Use of Eserine, Pilocarpine, Gelsemine, Duboisin, etc." The discussion will be opened by Professor Macnaughton Jones. The following paper is promised.

DE WICKER, Dr. The Use of Mandragorin.

4. "Treatment of Detached Retina." The discussion will be opened by Mr. T. Shadford Walker of Liverpool.

5. "Tobacco and Alcoholic Amblyopia." The discussion will be opened by Dr. Hirschberg of Berlin.

6. "Diphtheritic Ophthalmia." The discussion will be opened by Mr. Nettleship.

Dr. Loring (New York) and others have expressed their willingness to take part in the discussions on the above subjects.

The following gentlemen have intimated their intention of reading communications.

BROWNE, Edgar A., Esq. Some Clinical Aspects of Optic Neuritis.

FITZGERALD, C. E., M.D. On Knapp's Peripheral Division of the Capsule in Cataract-Extraction.

GLASCOTT, C. E., M.D. Report on the Results of the last Two Hundred Cases of Cataract Extraction by the modified Linear Operation.

JONES, H. Macnaughton, M.D. Eye-Dressings after Operations.

TAYLOR, C. Bell, M.D. 1. Synopsis of several hundred Cases of Cataract Extraction. 2. Therapeutic Use of Electricity in certain cases of (so-called) Amaurosis.

Otology.—The following subjects will be discussed in this department:

1. "The Therapeutic Value of Intratympanic Injections of Medicated Fluids in the Catarrhal Affections of the Middle-Ear." Dr. Cassells will open the discussion on this question, and the following gentlemen have promised to take part in it: Dr. Weber-Liel of Berlin; Dr. Schuster of Aix-la-Chapelle; Dr. Bonnafont of Paris; Professor Macnaughton Jones of Cork; Mr. Lennox Browne of London; Dr. Kirk Duncanson of Edinburgh; Mr. W. Douglas Hemming. Dr. Weber-Liel will also give a practical demonstration of the use of his "Koniontron" for intratympanic fluid injections.

2. "On Tinnitus Aurium." Dr. Laurence Turnbull of Philadelphia, U.S.A., has promised to open the discussion on this question, and the following gentlemen will take part in it: Professor Macnaughton Jones of Cork; Mr. Lennox Browne of London; Dr. Kirk Duncanson of Edinburgh; Dr. Alexander Ogston of Aberdeen; Mr. W. Douglas Hemming of Bournemouth; Dr. Weber-Liel of Berlin; Dr. Bonnafont of Paris; Dr. Schuster of Aix-la-Chapelle; and Dr. Woakes of London. Dr. Weber-Liel will demonstrate practically his method of operating in tenotomy of the tensor tympani muscle. He will also demonstrate the use of his ear-microscope on the cases of patients. The following papers on the subject are promised.

HEMMING, W. D., Esq. On the Forms, Causes, and Treatment of Tinnitus Aurium.
SEXTON, Samuel, M.D. (New York). On Tinnitus Aurium.
TURNBULL, Laurence, M.D. (Philadelphia). A Table of 164 cases of Tinnitus Aurium, and Remarks thereon.

The following papers are also promised for this department.

CASSELLS, James Patterson, M.D. 1. On the production of Artificial Deafness, and its bearing on a theory of the Etiology and Evolution of Ear-Diseases (illustrated).

2. Ear-Disease and Life Assurance. 3. On Aural Exostoses; and on a new Operation for their Removal (illustrated).

McKEOWN, William A., M.D. 1. On the Treatment of Relaxed Membranz Tympani. 2. On Aural Gymnastics.

TURNBULL, Charles S., M.D. (Philadelphia). 1. Inflation of the Middle Ear in cases of Cleft Palate, both before and after Staphyloraphy. 2. Chloroform-Vapour in Inflation of the Middle Ear.

WOAKES, Edward, M.D. Throat-Deafness associated with Paresis of the Palato-Tubal Muscles.

SECTION C.—OBSTETRIC MEDICINE.

The subjects for discussion in this section are:

1. "Hæmorrhage from the Genital Organs during Pregnancy and Parturition." The discussion will be opened by Dr. Macan, and the following gentlemen have signified their intention of taking part therein: Professor Macnaughton Jones, Dr. Robert Barnes, Mr. Lawson Tait, Dr. Lombe Athill, Dr. Malins, and Dr. Edis.

2. "Intra-uterine Medication." The discussion will be opened by Dr. W. S. Playfair. Dr. Tilt, Dr. Cordes, Professor Dill, and Dr. Byford will join in the discussion. The following papers will be read in connection with this subject.

BATTEV, Robert F., M.D. Intra-uterine Medication by Iodised Phenol.

DILL, R. T., M.D. Intra-uterine Medication.

PLAYFAIR, W. S., M.D. Intra-uterine Medication.

TILT, Edward J., M.D. Remarks on Intra-uterine Surgery.

The following papers are also promised for the Section of Obstetric Medicine.

ATHILL, Lombe, M.D. Inversion of the Uterus.

BARNES, Fancourt, M.D. A case in which Phlegmasia Dolens simultaneously attacked both legs and the left arm.

BARNES, Robert, M.D., F.R.C.P. A Case of Inversion of the Uterus.

BATTEV, Robert F., M.D. A résumé of the Results of a series of Operations for the artificial production of the Change of Life in Women.

BYFORD, W. H., M.D. The Treatment of Fibroid Tumours of the Uterus by Ergot.

COPEMAN, E., M.D. The Treatment of Severe Sickness during Pregnancy.

EDIS, Arthur W., M.D., F.R.C.P. Acquired Sterility: its Cause and Treatment.

HAYES, J. R., M.D. A Case of Extra-Fœtation.

KERR, Norman, M.D. Warm Water Injections in Post Partum Hæmorrhage.

LYSTER, C. E., M.D. The Treatment of Subinvolution of the Uterus.

MADDEN, Thomas More, M.D. On the Judicious Use and Selection of Embryoplastic Operations.

MALINS, Edward, M.D. Treatment of Conical Cervix of the Uterus.

WILTSHIRE, Alfred, M.D., F.R.C.P. A Case of Tetanus during Pregnancy: Recovery.

SECTION D.—PUBLIC MEDICINE.

The special subjects selected for discussion are:

1. "The Influence of Drinking-Water in originating or propagating Enteric Fever, Diarrhoea, Diphtheria, and Scarletina; to be illustrated, as far as possible, by instances which have come under the personal observation of the speaker." The discussion will be opened by Andrew Fergus, M.D., and the following members have promised to read papers and take part in the discussion: Edward Ballard, M.D.; Alfred Carpenter, M.D.; and C. Meymott Tidy, M.B., F.C.S.

Papers in connection with this subject will also be read by:

HUBSON, Robert S., M.D. Facts illustrative of the Spread of Enteric Fever and Diarrhoea by the Agency of Polluted Drinking-Water.

KERR, Norman S., M.D. Typical Cases of Enteric Fever, Diarrhoea, Scarlatina, and Diphtheria, from Drinking-Water.

NOTTER, J. Lane, B.A., M.D. On the Value of Chemical and Microscopic Analysis in its relation to this question.

2. "How are we to deal, by isolation or otherwise, with Convalescents from Acute Infective Diseases, so as to limit the spread of Disease?" The discussion on this question will be opened by John W. Moore, M.A., M.D. The following members have promised to read papers and take part in the discussion: Francis Vacher, L.R.C.P., and Arthur Ransome, M.A., M.D.

Notice of papers to be read are given by the following members.

BERNARD, A., M.B. Reasons why the Contagious Diseases Acts ought to be extended to all Seaports.

BONNAFONT, Dr. (Paris). Hygiene.

CHAPMAN, John H., L.K. & Q.C.P.I. On the Sanitary Arrangements of Dwellings.

DRYSDALE, Charles R., M.D. The Mortality of the Rich and Poor.

HART, Ernest, Esq. Sanitary Districts and Sanitary Administration under the Public Health Acts, with Maps and Tabular Statements.

NOTTER, J. Lane, M.D. The Experimental Study of Disinfectants.

ROGERS, Joseph, M.D. The Grievances of the Poor-law Medical Officers in the United Kingdom, with Suggestions for their Removal.

SECTION E.—PSYCHOLOGY.

The following papers are promised.

ATKINS, Ringrose, M.D. 1. The Treatment of Hysterical Hemianæsthesia by Metals. 2. Softening of the Bones amongst the Insane.

SEGUIN, E., M.D. The Psycho-Physiological Training of an Idiot Hand.

TUKE, D. Hack, M.D. Intemperance in Study.

SECTION F.—PHYSIOLOGY.

The following papers are promised.

CHARLES, J. J., M.A., M.D. 1. The propagation of Nervous Impulses. 2. The Circulation of Blood through the Lungs.

EXCURSIONS.

His Grace the Duke of Devonshire has generously intimated his intention to entertain the members of the Association who visit Lismore and the Blackwater, and to open the Castle grounds for the visitors.

On Saturday, August 9th, there will be excursions to the Lakes of Killarney, the Blackwater Valley, and the River and Harbour.

Sir George Colthurst, Bart., has generously intimated his intention to entertain the members of the Association at Blarney during the intended visit.

There will be an excursion in the North of Ireland arranged for the Wednesday following the meeting, under the direction of Dr. Walter Bernard, of Londonderry, including Lough Swilly, Muckish, and Errigat Mountains, Donegal, Derry, Giants' Causeway, and Belfast.

Special arrangements are being completed for the excursions of the Association and the carriage of specimens, etc.

All the steam-packet companies will convey goods to the Museum and for the Sanitary Exhibition free of charge.

Any persons requiring description of tours in South of Ireland can have same on application to the Honorary Local Secretary.

Special arrangements are being made for Cook's tourist tickets, and special trains to meet steamers, etc.

Intending visitors are requested to communicate with Professor Macnaughton Jones as soon as possible, stating whether they will bring ladies with them.

Information regarding the journey to Cork, lodgings, etc., will be given in a future number of the JOURNAL.

FRANCIS FOWKE,

General Secretary of the British Medical Association.

161a, Strand, London, May 22nd, 1879.

COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL: NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Committee of Council will be held at the offices of the Association, 161A, Strand, on Wednesday, the 9th day of July next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

FRANCIS FOWKE,

161A, Strand, London, June 12th, 1879.

General Secretary.

NORTHERN COUNTIES OF SCOTLAND BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held at Elgin, on Thursday, the 10th July next, at Twelve noon; Dr. NORRIS MACKAY, Elgin, President.

Discussion on Croup and Diphtheria.

Gentlemen who are desirous to read papers, or to bring any subject before the meeting, are requested to give notice to the Secretary not later than July 7th.

WILLIAM BRUCE, *Honorary Secretary.*

Dingwall, June 24th, 1879.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.

AN adjourned general meeting of this Branch will be held at the rooms of the Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, on Wednesday, July 16th, at 8 P.M. precisely; when the discussion on Medical Education will be resumed.

ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D.

W. CHAPMAN GRIGG, M.D.

Hon. Secs.

57, Doughty Street, W.C., June 26th, 1879.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE twenty-seventh annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Ship Hotel, Greenwich, on Friday, July 25th, 1879, at 4 P.M.

At 6 P.M., the members will dine together; JOHN WOOD, Esq., F.R.S., in the Chair. Tickets, 14s. each (inclusive of attendance, and exclusive of wine). Members intending to be present at the dinner are specially requested to give notice to the Secretaries on or before July 22nd.

ALEXANDER HENRY, M.D.,

WM. CHAPMAN GRIGG, M.D.,

Honorary Secretaries.

57, Doughty Street, W.C., July 1st, 1879.

ABERDEEN, BANFF, AND KINCARDINE BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held in Aberdeen, on Saturday, July 19th, at half-past One o'clock.

Further particulars will be given by circular.

A. OGSTON,

J. URQUHART,

Honorary Secretaries.

Union Street, Aberdeen, June 26th, 1879.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the County Hotel, Carlisle, on Friday, July 25th, at One o'clock.

Gentlemen intending to read papers are requested to give early notice thereof to one or other of the Secretaries.

RODERICK MACLAREN,

JOHN SMITH,

Honorary Secretaries.

Carlisle, June 24th, 1879.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.

THE annual meeting of this Branch will be held at the Luttrell Arms Hotel, Dunster, on Thursday, July 24th, at 5 o'clock.

Dinner at 6 o'clock: THOMAS CLARK, Esq., President.

The President invites the members of the Branch to lunch at One o'clock, and afterwards to visit with him Dunster Castle, the Church, and Minehead.

W. M. KELLY, M.D., *Honorary Secretary.*

Taunton, July 1st, 1879.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.

GENTLEMEN intending to read papers at the next annual meeting of the above Branch, are requested to forward the titles to the Honorary Secretary by the 8th instant, that they may be included in the usual circular.

Unpaid subscriptions will be acknowledged by the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Wm. Williams, the Asylum, Denbigh.

J. LLOYD ROBERTS, *Honorary Secretary.*

Denbigh, July 1st, 1879.

SOUTH OF IRELAND BRANCH: QUARTERLY MEETING.

THE quarterly meeting of the above Branch was held in the Royal Cork Institution, on June 4th, and then merged into a meeting of the Local Reception Committee of the approaching annual meeting of the Association.

In the evening, twenty members and friends dined at Lloyd's Hotel.

REPLANTATION OF TEETH.—We are informed that Dr. Thompson (of San Francisco), who is staying for a time in London, will perform the operation of replantation of a tooth at the National Dental Hospital, Great Portland Street, at 9.30 A.M., on Thursday next, July 10th. Dr. Thompson has introduced one or two novel features into the operation that we believe will make the demonstration specially interesting. It is, of course, open to any member of the profession to attend.

MEDICO-PARLIAMENTARY.

HOUSE OF LORDS.—Monday, June 30th.

A New University.—Lord WINMARLEIGH asked the Lord President of the Council whether the Government had decided on the advice which should be given to Her Majesty with regard to the institution of a new University in accordance with a petition which had recently been presented to Her Majesty.—The Duke of RICHMOND and GORDON replied that a petition had been presented to the Queen in Council praying Her Majesty graciously to grant a charter to a northern University to be called the Victoria University, and that the Government had thought it right to advise Her Majesty to grant the prayer of the petitioners.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Monday, June 30th.

Infant Mortality.—Mr. A. MILLS asked the Secretary of State for the Home Department whether he had received a memorial from the guardians of the poor in the city of Exeter, calling his attention to the increase of infant mortality there; and whether it would be possible to amend the Infant Life Protection Act, 1872, and the Registration Act, 1874, so as to bring foster-mothers who had charge of one infant only, and all persons who may procure the burial of stillborn children without obtaining a medical certificate, within the provisions of these statutes.—Mr. CROSS said that the memorial had been received, and he had consulted the Local Government Board on the subject. He was told that, in their opinion, neither of the suggestions of the guardians was practicable. Each of those suggestions had been considered and rejected at the time when the Bills relating to them respectively were passing through Parliament. He might, however, add that he had issued a circular to the different local authorities and members of the police force requesting that the provisions of the Act for the Protection of Infant Life should be properly put in force.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND POOR-LAW MEDICAL SERVICES.

THE POOR-LAW MEDICAL SERVICE.

SIR,—Would you kindly allow me to inform Poor-law medical officers that I propose to read a paper, in the Public Medicine Section of the British Medical Association meeting, at Cork, in August next, on the Grievances of the Poor-law Medical Service in the United Kingdom, with suggestions for their removal? Would you further permit me to state that I shall be obliged if gentlemen aggrieved will write and inform me of their troubles?—I am, sir, your obedient servant,

33, Dean Street, W.

JOSEPH ROGERS.

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

As a necessary complement to their order of the 12th February last (see p. 374), the Local Government Board have now imposed upon every medical officer appointed by the Board of Management of a District School after the 24th instant, the duty of giving notice to the Clerk or to the Medical Officer of Health of the Sanitary District within which the building is situated, of the occurrence of contagious, infectious, or epidemic disease of a dangerous character amongst the pauper patients under his care, and of furnishing to the Medical Officer of Health, from time to time, information with respect to sickness and deaths amongst such patients. He will also be required to observe any regulations which the Local Government Board may make under the exceptional powers conferred upon them by Section 134 of the Public Health Act. It is significant as well as hopeful that the Local Government Board are using every opportunity in their power to secure this notification to sanitary authorities of the occurrence of cases of preventable sickness.

THE SANITARY STATE OF LYMINGTON.

A REPORT recently presented to the Local Government Board by Dr. Hubert Airy on the sanitary state of Lympington, possesses more than a local interest, since it is a valuable contribution to the question whether the germ theory of disease is correct or not. Dr. Airy shows that not only is the general sanitary administration lax, but the system of excrement disposal (garden privies) is both offensive and dangerous, the sewerage is defective and leaky, and the water-supply (derived from wells in porous gravel) is obviously exposed to pollution. Yet

zymotic diseases have been for the last eight years conspicuous by their absence, and the average general death-rate is only 17.5 per 1,000. It will be a nut to crack for the supporters of the pythogenic hypothesis, how, notwithstanding these manifold noxious influences, Lympington has managed during all this time to escape a visitation of infectious disease.

MEDICAL NEWS.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, June 26th, 1879.

Scale, Thomas William, Aberdare
Sutcliffe, Joseph, 154, Larkhall Lane, S.W.

The following gentlemen also on the same day passed their primary professional examination.

Morris, William, King's College
Wheeler, Frederick John, King's College

UNIVERSITY OF DURHAM.—In the final examination for degrees in Medicine and Surgery, held at the College of Medicine on June 16th, 17th, 18th, and 19th, 1879, the following satisfied the examiners.—For the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine.

Bowman, Hugh Torrington, College of Medicine and St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Crick, Samuel Arthur, College of Medicine and St. Thomas's Hospital
Dodd, John R., College of Medicine and St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Green, —, College of Medicine
Ryan, Joseph, College of Medicine and Dublin Medical School
Trewman, George Turner, College of Medicine and Westminster Hospital
Tyson, William Joseph, College of Medicine and Guy's Hospital
Willis, Charles Fancourt, College of Medicine and St. Thomas's Hospital
Woodman, William Edwin, College of Medicine and St. Thomas's Hospital

For the Degree of Master in Surgery.

Bowman, Hugh Torrington, College of Medicine and St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Crick, Samuel Arthur, College of Medicine and St. Thomas's Hospital

UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN: SCHOOL OF PHYSIC IN IRELAND.—At the Trinity Term Examination for the Degree of Bachelor of Medicine, held on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, June 9th, 10th, and 11th, the following candidates were successful.

Darling, John S.	Battersby, John
Edwards, Henry Grey	Exham, Arthur
MacMunn, John	Hogan, John C.
Blood, Fitzgerald	Williams, John A. De C.
Lecky, William S.	Murray, Andrew
Richardson, Gilbert	

The foregoing names are arranged in the order of merit.

The following candidates also satisfied the examiners.

Moutray, Charles, L.R.C.S.I., L.K.Q.C.P.
Warren, Frederick W., F.R.C.S.I., L.K.Q.C.P.

At the examination for the Degree of Bachelor in Surgery (B.Ch.), held on Monday and Tuesday, June 16th and 17th, the following candidates were successful. The names are arranged in the order of merit.

Edwards, Henry Grey	Moore, Thomas T.
Blood, Fitzgerald N.	Exham, Arthur R. F.
Battersby, John	Malley, Abraham
McCreery, Benjamin T.	Smith, Thomas Orde
Berry, Frederick C.	Hogan, John C.
MacMunn, John A.	Murray, Andrew
Lecky, William Stuart	

The following candidate also satisfied the examiners,

Wheeler, William Ireland, M.D. and M.B. Univ. Dubl., F.R.C.S.I., Surgeon to the City of Dublin Hospital

After a special examination, held on Thursday and Friday, June 12th and 13th, the Medical Travelling Prize of £100 sterling, open to all candidates who have passed the M.B. Examination since the Summer Commencements in 1877, was unanimously awarded to

Darling, John S.

KING AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS IN IRELAND.—At the ordinary monthly examinations for the Licences of the College, held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, June 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th, the following candidates were successful.—For the Licence to practise Medicine.

Cooper, William Reginald
Folkes, Charles William
Jenkins, Stuart
Ker, Alice Jane Shannan

O'Donnell, William
Poirotte, Benjamin
Ryan, Thomas Emile

For the Licence to Practise Midwifery.

Cooper, William Reginald
Cowen, Edward James
Folkes, Charles William
Jenkins, Stuart

Ker, Alice Jane Shannan
O'Donnell, William
Poirotte, Benjamin
Ryan, Thomas Emile

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

Particulars of those marked with an asterisk will be found in the advertisement columns.

THE following vacancies are announced:—

- BALLYCASTLE UNION**—Medical Officer for Croagh Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum; £20 a year as Sanitary Officer; with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on the 11th instant.
- ***BRECON INFIRMARY**—Resident House-Surgeon. Salary, £120 per annum; with furnished apartments, etc. Applications on or before July 10th.
- ***BRIGHTON AND HOVE DISPENSARY**—Resident House-Surgeon at the Western Branch. Salary, £140 per annum, with furnished apartments, coals, gas, and attendance. Diplomas and testimonials to be sent to the Chairman on or before Monday, August 4th.
- ***CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL**, Manchester—Assistant Non-resident Surgeon and Registrar. Salary, £60 per annum.
- DORCHESTER COUNTY ASYLUM**—Second Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, etc. Applications to the Medical Superintendent.
- DUNDALK UNION**—Medical Officer for Carlingford Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum, £25 as Sanitary Officer, with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on the 10th instant.
- DUNFANAGHY UNION**—Medical Officer for Gweedore portion of the Cross Roads Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum, and £10 as Sanitary Officer, with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on the 16th instant.
- ***INFIRMARY FOR CONSUMPTION AND DISEASES OF THE CHEST AND THROAT**, Margaret Street, W.—Visiting Physician. Applications to the Secretary.
- HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN**, Soho Square—House-Physician. Applications to be made on or before July 8th.
- ***HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN**, Soho Square—Assistant-Physician. Applications to the Secretary on or before July 8th.
- ***KING'S COLLEGE**—Professor of Comparative Anatomy.—Demonstrator in Physiology. For particulars, apply to the Secretary.
- ***MIDDLESEX HOSPITAL**—Physician and Surgeon; Assistant-Physician and Assistant-Surgeon.
- ***PLYMOUTH PUBLIC DISPENSARY**—Second Honorary Physician. Applications and testimonials to be sent to the Secretary on or before July 12th.
- ***SALOP FORESTERS' MEDICAL AID ASSOCIATION**—Surgeon. Salary, £160 per annum.
- SHILLELAGH UNION**—Medical Officer for Coolatin and Clonegal Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum, and £15 as Sanitary Officer, with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on the 11th instant.
- SHILLELAGH UNION**—Medical Officer for the Workhouse and Fever Hospital, at a salary of £90 per annum, together with £10 as Consulting Sanitary Officer. Election on the 11th instant.
- ***TRURO UNION**—Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for St. Agnes District. Salary, £35 per annum, exclusive of the fees as allowed by the Local Government Board.
- ***WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL**—Medical Registrar. Salary, £40 per annum.
- ***WILTS COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM**—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £110 per annum, increasing £10 a year up to £150 with board (save beer), residence, attendance, and washing. Applications to Dr. Cooke, at the Asylum, on or before July 23rd.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

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

- BRANFOT**, H. Stephen, M.B., appointed Demonstrator of Anatomy in Owens College, Manchester.
- ***EMRYS-JONES**, A., M.D., appointed Assistant-Surgeon to the Royal Eye Hospital, Manchester.
- EWBANK**, Francis, M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant Dental Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.
- FRASER**, Alexander, M.B., appointed Demonstrator of Anatomy in Owens College, Manchester.
- GRIFFITH**, A. H., M.B., appointed House-Surgeon and Secretary to the Royal Eye Hospital, Manchester, *vice* A. Emrys-Jones, M.D.
- HOPE**, E. W., M.B., C.M., appointed Physician's Assistant to the Bristol General Hospital, *vice* A. C. Brock, L.R.C.P., resigned.
- LUMSDEN**, James P., M.B., appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Kilburn, Maida Vale, and St. John's Wood Dispensary, *vice* G. P. Best, M.D., resigned.
- ***LYONS**, Isidor I., M.R.C.S., L.D.S., appointed Assistant Dental Surgeon to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, is 3s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps with the announcements.

BIRTHS.

HAYNES.—On June 17th, at Leamington, the wife of F. H. Haynes, M.D. Lond., of a daughter.

THE will of Mr. John Simm, late of Ovington Square, Surgeon, formerly of the Honourable East India Company's Service, Madras Establishment, who died on March 5th last, was proved on June 13th by Henry Snowdon and John Calvert Crosley, the surviving executors, the personal estate being sworn under £40,000. The testator bequeaths to the London Aged Christians' Society, with which he had been connected for many years, £500; to the Society for the Relief of Asiatics at Limehouse, £100 and the proceeds of the sale of the vase and stand given him by the natives of Nellore. There are numerous other legacies.

PUBLIC HEALTH.—During last week, the annual death-rate in London and twenty-two other large towns of the United Kingdom was 19 in every 1,000 persons living. It was 18 in London, 18 in Edinburgh, 19 in Glasgow, and 43 in Dublin. Small-pox caused 11 more deaths in Dublin. The highest rates of mortality in the twenty English towns were as follows: Leeds, 20; Salford, 21; Liverpool, 22; Wolverhampton, 24; Sunderland, 25; and Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 25. The highest zymotic death-rates were 33 both in Manchester and Bradford. Small-pox caused 10 more deaths in London, but not one in any of the nineteen large provincial towns. In London, 1,272 deaths were registered, being 103 below the average of the week, and giving an annual death-rate of 18.3, the lowest since the middle of September last. The 1,272 deaths included 8 from small-pox, 76 from measles, 45 from scarlet fever, 16 from diphtheria, 40 from whooping-cough, 19 from different forms of fever, and 21 from diarrhoea—or 225 deaths in all from these diseases, being 42 below the average, and equal to an annual rate of 3.2 per 1,000. The 21 deaths from diarrhoea were 52 below the average of the week; this unprecedentedly low rate for the last week in June was due to the recent low temperature and abundant rain. The deaths referred to diseases of the respiratory organs were 175, or 3 below the average. Seven cases of suicide were registered. At Greenwich, the mean temperature of the air was 56.5°, or 5.2° below the average. The air was of its average dryness; the direction of the wind was south-west; rain fell on three days of the week to the aggregate amount of 1.42 inches; and the duration of registered bright sunshine in the week was equal to 24 per cent. of its possible duration.

THE TEMPERANCE MOVEMENT.—The annual meeting of the Coffee Public-house Association was held at Grosvenor House on Saturday, the Duke of Westminster presiding. Mr. Gore, the Secretary, read the report, stating that the progress of the movement in the past year in every direction had been very great. They might hope that, at no distant day, the coffee public-house would also be firmly established in Switzerland, Holland, the United States, and the Australian colonies. The great moral results achieved by the movement had not been less real or satisfactory than the financial results. The Hon. W. Cowper-Temple, in moving the adoption of the report, said experience had proved that, if these houses were placed in positions which were naturally the resort of a sufficiently large number of the working classes, they were found crowded. Mr. Tritton seconded the motion, and spoke of the great good done by the Association in the past year. The spread of the movement had been something marvellous. Mr. Arthur Mills, M.P., Mr. Ernest Hart, Mr. Ernest Noel, M.P., Sir C. Trevelyan, and Sir U. K. Shuttleworth, subsequently addressed the meeting, stating that the movement had met an important want; and a resolution, moved by Mr. Hart and seconded by Mr. Ernest Noel, M.P., was passed, requesting the committee to summon a conference of the existing tavern companies.

BRADFORD MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.—The seventeenth annual meeting of this Society was held on June 10th, in the Infirmary. The report recorded a large increase in the communications to the Society, in the number and attendance of members, and in the use of the now important medical library. During the session, a museum and pathological room had been added to the Infirmary, available to members. Dr. E. T. Tibbits was elected President for the ensuing year, *vice* Dr. Burnie, who retires. The Treasurer, Dr. Whalley, was re-elected, with Mr. T. C. Denby to assist. Dr. Goyder was re-elected Secretary. For Committee, Drs. Craig, Dunlop, Burnie, and Rabagliati were elected; for Pathologists, Mr. T. C. Denby and Mr. J. Appleby, M.B.; and for Auditors, Mr. Hirst and Dr. Dunlop. A vote of condolence with the relatives of the late Mr. W. H. G. Buckley, who had been ten years Treasurer of the Society and one of its first members, was unanimously passed.

THE MEDICAL DEFENCE ASSOCIATION.—At the annual meeting of the members of the Medical Defence Association, held at the rooms of the Medical Society of London on Monday last, the following officers were elected for the ensuing twelve months:—*President*: Benjamin W. Richardson, M.D., F.R.S. *Honorary Treasurer*: W. Spencer Watson, F.R.C.S. *Honorary Secretary*: Mr. George Brown, M.R.C.S. *Solicitors*: Messrs. Green and Pridham. *Members of Council*: H. Adcock, L.R.C.P.; F. Alderson, M.R.C.S.; John Borland, M.B.; H. Cuolahan, M.D.; Thomas Cooke, F.R.C.S.; D. H. Dyte, L.R.C.P.; J. Dixon, M.D.; R. T. Daniell, M.B.; W. B. Hemming, M.R.C.S.; Douglas Hemming, M.R.C.S.; B. Kelly, M.D.; W. Beech Johnston, M.D.; C. R. Langford, M.R.C.S.; T. Wood Hill, M.R.C.S.; J. Wallis Mason, M.R.C.S.; Charles Royston, M.D.; Walter Smith, L.R.C.P.; James Stevenson, M.D.; G. Danford Thomas, M.D.; and H. W. Williams, M.D.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.

TUESDAY.....Guy's, 1.30 P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—West London, 3 P.M.—National Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's, 2 P.M.—Cancer Hospital, Brompton, 3 P.M.

WEDNESDAY...St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Mary's, 1.30 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children, 2.30 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Peter's, 2 P.M.

THURSDAY....Charing Cross, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 P.M.—Hospital for Diseases of the Throat, 2 P.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Hospital for Women, 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.

FRIDAY.....Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.—Royal South London Ophthalmic, 2 P.M.—Guy's, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department), 2 P.M.—East London Hospital for Children, 2 P.M.

SATURDAY...St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—Royal Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—St. Thomas's, 1.30 P.M.—Royal Free, 9 A.M. and 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.

HOURS OF ATTENDANCE AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

CHARING CROSS.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th.; Dental, M. W. F., 9.30.

GUY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, exc. Tu., 1.30; Obstetric, M. W. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 1.30; Tu. F., 12.30; Ear, Tu. F., 12.30; Skin, Tu., 12.30; Dental, Tu. Th. F., 12.

KING'S COLLEGE.—Medical, daily, 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p., M. W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th. S., 1; Ear, Th., 2; Skin, Th.; Throat, Th., 3; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

LONDON.—Medical, daily exc. S., 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30 and 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 1.30; o.p., W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 9; Ear, S., 9.30; Skin, W. 9; Dental, Tu. 9.

MIDDLESEX.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; o.p., W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 8.30; Ear and Throat, Tu., 9; Skin, F., 4; Dental, daily, 9.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, M. Th. S., 2; o.p., W. S., 9; Eye, Tu. W. Th. S., 2; Ear, M., 2.30; Skin, F., 1.30; Larynx, W., 11.30; Orthopaedic, F., 12.30; Dental, F., 9.

ST. GEORGE'S.—Medical and Surgical, M. Tu. F. S., 1; Obstetric, Tu. S., 1; o.p., Th., 2; Eye, W. S., 2; Ear, Tu., 2; Skin, Th., 1; Throat, M., 2; Orthopaedic, W., 2; Dental, Tu. S., 9; Th., 1.

ST. MARY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.15; Obstetric, Tu. F., 9.30; o.p., Tu. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 1.30; Ear, W. S., 2; Skin, Th., 1.30; Throat, W. S., 12.30; Dental, W. S., 9.30.

ST. THOMAS'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 2; o.p., W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; o.p., daily except Sat., 1.30; Ear, Tu., 12.30; Skin, Th., 12.30; Throat, Tu., 12.30; Children, S., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 10.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1 to 2; Obstetric, M. Tu. Th. F., 1.30; Eye, M. W. F., 2; Ear, S., 1.30; Skin, Tu., 1.30; S., 9; Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.3.

WESTMINSTER.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. F., 3; Eye, M. Th., 2.30; Ear, Tu. F., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

COMMUNICATIONS respecting editorial matters should be addressed to the Editor, 161, Strand, W.C., London; those concerning business matters, non-delivery of the JOURNAL, etc., should be addressed to the General Manager, at the Office, 161, Strand, W.C., London.

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

AUTHORS desiring reprints of their articles published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, are requested to communicate beforehand with the General Secretary and Manager, 161, Strand, W.C.

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

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.—We shall be much obliged to Medical Officers of Health if they will, on forwarding their Annual and other Reports, favour us with *Duplicate Copies*.

WE CANNOT UNDERTAKE TO RETURN MANUSCRIPTS NOT USED.

PAPERS AT THE CORK MEETING.

DR. J. M. HOWIE'S letter has been referred to the Honorary Local Secretary of the Cork meeting, to whom (or to the Honorary Secretaries of the respective Sections) all communications relating to proposals to read papers at the meeting should be addressed.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

SIR,—I should be glad if you would inform me if it be usual for a surgeon, when removing, to insert a notice to that effect in the papers. I enclose my card, and remain, yours truly,

M.B., M.A.

. To his patients and friends, but not to others.

CORRESPONDENTS are particularly requested by the Editor to observe that communications relating to advertisements, changes of address, and other business matters, should be addressed to Mr. FRANCIS FOWKE, General Secretary and Manager, at the Journal Office, 161, Strand, London, and not to the Editor.

AMONG MSS. in hand, and for which early insertion has been promised, are the following: Lectures by Professor Macleod on Colles's Fracture of the Radius; by Dr. F. T. Roberts on Materia Medica; by Dr. Brakenridge on Locomotor Ataxia; by Mr. Berkeley Hill on Stricture of the Urethra; by the late Dr. Tilbury Fox on Hydroa; also papers by Dr. W. Roberts on the Digestive Ferments and their Therapeutic Appliances; by Dr. Marcet on the Weather and Health at Cannes during 1878-79; by Dr. Brandt on the Thermal Springs of Royat, La Bourboule, and Châtel Guyon; and by Dr. Macewen on Respiration through Tubes introduced by the Mouth into the Trachea. We intend also to publish in early numbers several papers on Intestinal Obstruction, Ovariectomy, and Medical Education.

As the annual meeting of the Association, with its attendant demands on space, is now barely a month distant, it will be seen that we have special reason for requesting our correspondents who desire early insertions for their communications at this season, to observe the most rigorous limits of brevity.

MR. EDISON AND THE STETHOSCOPE.

SIR,—In a letter just received by me from Mr. Edison of Menlo Park, New Jersey, U.S., he says: "I am at present experimenting on a stethoscope with every prospect of success; but the instrument will be very expensive, and for this reason cannot come into general use. The microphone, so called, cannot be used for this purpose, as it translates extraneous sounds, and is no way reliable."—Yours obediently,

J. J. WEDGWOOD, M.D.

15, George Street, Hanover Square, June 24th, 1879.

THE REPORT ON MEMBRANOUS CROUP AND DIPHTHERIA.

SIR,—The letters written by Dr. Semple on croup and diphtheria since the inquiry throw no additional light upon the subject. It is difficult to understand for what purpose they were penned. Although it cannot be with the object of discrediting the labours of the committee, of which he was a member, they seriously tend to that end. In his last letter, one can only infer that this committee came to certain conclusions solely from a natural wish, as he expresses it, to show respect to those who had contributed cases in support of that view, as he admits that it is well known that many of the attributed cases were incorrectly reported.

The following plan has occurred to me, which I think would, if it could be carried out, solve the vexed question whether croup and diphtheria are the same or different diseases—namely, to form a small committee out of the one above mentioned, who should issue a circular to medical men in London and its neighbourhood, requesting them to kindly give immediate notice of cases of croup and diphtheria, so that one or two of this committee might meet the practitioner in charge and discuss with him the nature of the case. By sending in reports of such cases to their president, a most valuable collection would at the end of a year (for which time the committee might be appointed) be made, and then the original committee might meet and very probably be enabled to draw up a report which would satisfactorily terminate the whole question. The operations of the committee might fairly be enlarged, by drawing up a number of questions, based on the late inquiries, and issuing copies of them to members of the profession who reside at a distance. I would have this visiting committee paid for its labours. Perhaps government would assist with a grant towards an object whose importance has been shown by the earnest and searching consideration given to it by leading members of the profession.—Yours faithfully,

W. PUGIN THORNTON.

Devonshire Street, Portland Place, June 17th, 1879.

M.B., Ch. M. Edin.—Smith's *Dental Surgery* (J. and A. Churchill); Oakley Coles's *Dental Notes* (Baillière, Tindall, and Cox); Sewill's *Dental Anatomy and Surgery*, (J. and A. Churchill).

DOCTORS AND PHYSICIANS.

SIR,—If, as you have stated in answer to "Inquisitor", an M.D. has a right to style himself a physician because he is "a person certified by an university to be learned in the science and art of physic", can you tell me any reason why a Licentiate of the Society of Apothecaries should not also claim to be a physician, as the standard of knowledge required at the Hall is at least equal to that of some universities at one time, if not now.

I should be glad of your opinion as to what a Licentiate of the Society of Apothecaries holding no other diploma could put upon his door-plate that would not look singular. Some put Surgeon-accoucheur, which appears to me absurd, as it ignores his qualification to practise medicine; he certainly cannot call himself surgeon, as surgery is not even in his curriculum. I think it would be a very good thing if M.D. were the only qualification to practise; it would not be confounding superior men with inferior more than at present, because there is quite as much difference between the best M.D. examination and the worst, as between the best M.D. and the Licentiate of the Society of Apothecaries examinations.—Yours faithfully,

MARTIN LUTHER.

. A Licentiate of a Society of Apothecaries is just as clearly an Apothecary, and not a Physician, in virtue of his diploma, as a Licentiate of a College of Physicians is a Physician and not an Apothecary.

DR. J. T. PEARSE (Bramshot).—The county of Hants is beyond the limits of the Metropolitan Counties Branch. Our correspondent should apply to the Southern Branch (Secretary, Dr. J. Ward Cousins, Kent Road, Southsea), or the Reading Branch (Secretary, Dr. Shettle, Reading).

THE PROVISIONS OF THE CONTAGIOUS DISEASES ACTS.

SIR,—Can you or any of your readers inform me whether, in towns not under the provisions of the Contagious Diseases Acts, any legal steps can be taken for the detention and cure of prostitutes who are known to infect soldiers? and also what steps can be taken against houses known to harbour women for prostitution?—Yours, etc.,

MILES.

. In towns not protected by the Contagious Diseases Acts, no such steps can be taken. Any person keeping a brothel can be proceeded against at common law, and if the charge be clearly proved, may be convicted and severely punished. This, however, is quite irrespective of the question of disease, and practically is seldom or never done unless the case presents some exceptionally flagrant features, such as the presence of very young girls, illegal sale of liquors, suspected robberies, etc.

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

ADMISSION TO THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

SIR,—Each year since I have been in practice, I have been presented through the post with a number of your JOURNAL, accompanied with a prospectus showing forth the advantages of the Association, and giving the conditions upon which members are received. I have long felt that such an association, with a thoroughly representative journal, is most desirable, and many years ago should have joined it, but for the conditions. I have to get the names of three members, and no list is supplied of those members. I have many friends in the profession, but none yet ever gave me any sign by which I might have recognised him as a member of the British Medical Association; and even if some did, I would hesitate before I asked such a favour as a testimonial from three friends. I am, therefore, outside the British Medical Association *cum multis aliis*.—Yours faithfully, M.D.

*** We cannot hold out to M.D. any prospect that the conditions of admission to which he objects will be relaxed. The JOURNAL has now for the last ten years been sent out in this way; and each such issue brings in applications from numerous members of the profession, who, after receiving the JOURNAL, desire to join the Association. Our correspondent can obtain a list of members on application at the office, and among the 7,500 members of the Association can hardly fail to find three friends to countersign his application.

THE CASE OF THOMAS MILLERCHIP.

SIR,—The under-mentioned amounts have been received up to date; the donors have requested an acknowledgment in the medical journals.

	£	s.	d.
A Friend	5	0	0
Mrs. Garrett Anderson, M.D. ..	1	1	0
Dr. Grenfell Baker, Birkenhead ..	0	10	6
E. N. T.	1	1	0

Other subscriptions have been promised.

Would you also state that I have forwarded a first instalment of £30 to the Rev. F. N. Beaumont, Holy Trinity Vicarage, Coventry, who has kindly assented to my request that he should use the same, and all subsequent amounts sent by me for Millerchip's benefit.—Yours obediently, JOSEPH ROGERS.
33, Dean Street, Soho, July 2nd, 1879.

IN MEMORIAM.

THE following lines, with the note accompanying them, were written upon the death of Mr. Brietzcke in March last, by a convict in Portsea prison. We are pleased to give them the wider publicity which a permanent place in these pages will ensure.

"Gone so early! and a shadow seems to rest on every brow,
And the gloom that haunts the prison has a denser darkness now;
And we sad ones, looking sadder, to each other whispering say—
'He was kind and thoughtful ever: what a friend has passed away.'
Passed away! but as the sunset leaves behind an after-glow,
And as the roses breathe a perfume when the winds have laid them low;
So his goodness here reflected shall a radiant glory give;
And his memory, green and fragrant, in our bosoms long shall live.
From his loved ones torn so early! yet he is not dead to love,
For he knoweth now, as knoweth all the angel host above,
That the outcasts he has tended with a constant tender care
In their hearts have human feelings, and can shrine affection there.
If his spirit now should hover near the bed where long has lain
Some sufferer, health-forsaken, whom his skill has soothed in pain,
And his sympathy has strengthened, not in vain it there would seek
For the sigh within the bosom, for the tear upon the cheek.
In the world beyond the prison there are many glad and free
Who once here were held in bondage, sick and sad as men could be;
And they owe their health and freedom to his kindness and his care,
And their eyes shall now be weeping and their lips shall breathe a prayer.
From the earth are some departed whom his science could not save,
But whose miseries he lightened in their passage to the grave;
These have read the angel-record of his worth in realms above,
And their songs shall hail his coming to the land of perfect love.
To his grave we cannot follow, but beside the sacred sod
There shall stand a host of mourners who have seen the path he trod;
Who have known themselves his kindness, and their eyes with tears shall dim,
And their voices blend together in the last sad solemn hymn.
Though we cannot raise the marble which his resting-place shall tell,
Nor inscribe his virtues on it, which we sad ones know so well;
Still the name of Dr. Brietzcke in our hearts is graven deep,
And the memory of his goodness as a hallowed thing we'll keep.
He is gone and he is happy—for the good must happy be—
But I hear a widow's wailing, and two weeping babes I see.
He needs no supplications; he is now the Saviour's care,
But the dear ones left behind him, these shall have an outcast's prayer—
'Oh, my God, sustain the mother; make her strong to bear the blow;
Give her heavenly consolations: find her friends to soothe her woe:
Be a father to the children, and protect them with thy love,
Till the lost one meets his darlings in a tearless home above.'"

March 14th, 1879.

"During an imprisonment of eleven years, the writer of the above lines has known no event which has caused in the sad world in which he moves so profound a sensation of sorrow as the death of Dr. Brietzcke. He is deeply lamented by all here—free and bond—and each seems to feel he has lost a friend; and every voice speaks of his goodness and breathes sympathy for his bereaved family, and invokes for them God's protecting care. If the prison authorities would only permit it, how gladly would every prisoner here give something out of his prison gratuity to raise a monument to his memory."

SEVERE PAIN FOLLOWING HERPES.

MR. A. DE WATTEVILLE writes:—The correspondent who requires suggestions for the treatment of post-herpetic neuralgia will probably find electricity most useful. The faradic (or induced) current should be tried first: if speedy relief be not obtained, recourse must be had to the continuous current, special attention being paid to the central origin of the diseased nerve. As a rule, the pain of herpes in the acute stage is readily amenable to electrical treatment.

URINARY SPECTRE.

SIR,—I examined some urine from patients, and my own, a few days ago, and found them all loaded with albumen; that is, they gave a dense white precipitate with nitric acid, insoluble on boiling. The urines were acid, of good specific gravity, and gave no precipitate on boiling alone. My nitric acid being all gone, I sent to a chemist for some more, and this fresh acid gave no precipitate whatever, showing that there must have been some impurity in the first acid, thus relieving me of a load of anxiety. I do not find any caution about this in any book, and therefore ask your readers if any of them can tell me what the impurity is, and what the precipitate was. Had not my supply of nitric acid fallen short, I should have gone on dreading Bright's disease for myself and patients; and I dare say many a poor fellow has been needlessly alarmed before this in the same way.—I enclose my card, and am, yours, T. D.

ENGLISH PRACTITIONERS IN FRANCE.

SIR,—Will you kindly say whether an English M.D., etc., wishing to practise amongst the English in France, or a French colony, must first take out a French degree in Paris, or whether he has only to show his English qualifications to the Prêfet to gain the required permission.—Your obedient servant, "EMIGRANT."

*** He must now pass the final clinical examinations of the French University.

In some cases, limited permission to practise with the grade of *officier de santé* is, we believe, accorded.

MR. G. GASKOIN.—The communication has been duly received.

GALACTORRHOEA.

SIR,—In last week's JOURNAL, a request is made by M.D. for information regarding treatment in galactorrhœa. To attempt to reproduce the various suggestions that have appeared in the JOURNAL from time to time would fill too large a space, but the value of belladonna, internally and externally, combined with iodide of potassium, quinine, iron, and other tonics, with strapping and support to the breast, is well established. If these means have failed, many useful hints may be gathered from sections 1,599: 1 and 1,606: 3 of the *Medical Digest*, published by the New Sydenham Society in 1877.—1 am, etc., M.D.

WE are indebted to correspondents for the following periodicals, containing news, reports, and other matters of medical interest:—The Western Morning News; The Glasgow Herald; The Manchester Guardian; The Yorkshire Post; The Leeds Mercury; The Cork Constitution; The Coventry Herald; The British Guiana Royal Gazette; The Ceylon Observer; The Wigan Observer; The Peterborough and Huntingdonshire Standard; etc.

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