

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

THE following communications have been promised in addition to those mentioned in last week's JOURNAL.

SECTION B. SURGERY.—*Subsection of Ophthalmology and Otology.*
BLAKE, Clarence J., M.D. (Boston, U.S.A.). The Occurrence of Exostoses within the External Auditory Canal in Prehistoric Man.
HERMANN, Professor (Breslau). New Investigations on the furthest limits of Perception of Colours by Direct Sun-light and by Electric Light.
LÖWENBERG, Dr., Paris. Fungus Ear-Disease.

Mr. LENNOX BROWNE will exhibit and demonstrate Professor HUGHES' Audiometer for testing Hearing.

SECTION C. OBSTETRIC MEDICINE.

ROPER, George, M.D. The Condition of the Cervix Uteri in cases of Placenta Prævia.

SECTION D. PUBLIC MEDICINE.

THOMPSON, James, M.D. The Responsibility of Notification of Infectious Diseases.

SECTION E. PSYCHOLOGY.

WADE, W. F., F.R.C.P. On the Prevention of Suicide.

SECTION F. PHYSIOLOGY.

SIGERSON, G., M.D. The Function of certain Nerves supplying the Tongue and Soft Palate, considered in connection with the Sense of Taste.

FRANCIS FOWKE,

General Secretary of the British Medical Association.

161a, Strand, London, July 29th, 1879.

GLASGOW AND WEST OF SCOTLAND BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THIS Branch met on Thursday, June 26th, in the Rooms of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, kindly lent to them. Dr. FERGUS, the President, took the chair, which he afterwards resigned to the President-elect, Dr. W. T. GAIRDNER.

President's Address.—Dr. GAIRDNER, in taking the chair, said that the first duty of his position was to express to the Branch his sense of the great honour that had been done to him, most unexpectedly on his own part, last year in electing him their President. After some remarks on the objects of the Association, he briefly thanked the members present, and said that it would be his special desire to preserve the harmonious feeling and united co-operation that had made the Glasgow and West of Scotland Branch so decidedly successful.

Two deaths had taken place during the past year among the members of the Branch, viz., Dr. Martin of Cambuslang and Dr. Robert Moffat of Glasgow. With the former gentleman, he did not happen to have been personally acquainted; but the latter was well known to him, and he could not avoid on that occasion a few words on a loss still so recent as to carry to the full the impression of sadness which always must attend the sudden close of a career that seemed just to be opening; the premature end of a life which, so far as it had gone, was pure and true and noble in its aspirations, but had only just begun to be marked by a visible success. Another death, though not of a member of the Branch, must be in the minds of most of them—for who that knew him well could forget John Coats, a man who had been for forty years or more one of the most valued and trusted of all their professional brethren, the soul of honour and of high-minded courtesy, whose truthfulness of character was so transparent that no one ever suspected him of anything unfair or unbecoming, and who had the remarkable experience of having practised his profession during all these years almost without a break until the time of his fatal illness, and with the uniform goodwill of all his brethren as well as his patients? Yet another great loss by death had come to the whole profession quite recently, on which he might be permitted to say a few words as of the ending of an almost life-long friendship. The sudden arrest of the great and noble career of Charles Murchison, when at the height of his fame and seemingly in the full tide of his activity, was one of those events that necessarily engaged the attention of all the journals, and to them he would leave the record of that life and its work. But it was often possible for one who had favourable opportunities to bring cross-lights to bear even upon the characters that were best known to the public; and a character like Murchison's was in every respect a lesson to each one of us. His thoroughness and conscientiousness (said Dr. Gairdner) in all that he did were, indeed, conspicuous throughout; and his professional industry was not less than marvellous, considering the fatal disease which must

have to some extent impaired his bodily energy and weighed upon his spirits during at least the last seven or eight years; during which, nevertheless, some of the best of his work was done, and by far the busiest and most responsible part of his work as a consulting physician. To think that a nature like Murchison's could continue thus active up to the very moment of the sudden loosening of the silver cord, without a single week of his time (except on his annual holiday) being withdrawn from the public service, was in itself a remarkable proof of the supremacy of mind over matter. But that this was in accordance with the deliberate purpose of his later life, was shown by what occurred in 1872, when in one of those hard-earned holidays he came down to Arrochar expressly to consult two old friends then residing there about his own condition, which had only lately been revealed to his own mind as one of danger from aortic valve disease. It was impossible, of course, to deny the fact; and equally impossible to conceal from him the significance of it. No doubt, too, the shock to his nerves from the first intelligence obtained in London of the flaw in the action of that cardiac valve, the "little rift within the lute" that was to change the whole prospects of his future life, was very great; but what was particularly to be remarked was that there was never a moment of flinching, nor of cowardly abandonment of the fixed purposes and duties he had set before himself as the real objects of his life on earth. His most urgent question to Dr. Gairdner then and afterwards was, "How long can I live?" in other words, how long did medical experience lead one to believe it reasonable for one to look forward to a life of activity and usefulness? The question was a difficult one to answer, but the answer was made easier by the spirit in which the question was put; for it was evidently the expression of a desire to shape his means to his ends and to use aright the span of life remaining to him, which alone dictated the inquiry. In the same spirit, he observed and noted the most minute details of his own case, and of the observations of others upon it, as Dr. Gairdner had since his death had an opportunity of knowing through MS. notes sent by his widow. These notes, at times carried on almost from day to day, at other times with comparatively long intervals, were in all respects like those he would probably have made, with his extremely accurate habits, in any indifferent case having more than usual scientific interest to him; but they did not throw any new light upon the sudden ending. "I know that you will join me in regarding these brief revelations as interesting, bearing as they do on a character that was nothing short of heroic in its high resolve, its patient, continuous, and effective performance, and in the thorough self-forgetfulness that carried him through so much labour on behalf of science and humanity, in the face of personally disabling circumstances that would have converted many men into hopeless invalids, or even, perhaps, hypochondriacs bent only on studying their own inner sensations. In this respect, I think, the lesson for each of us from Murchison's life is worthy of this short pause in our duty here, and it is pleasing to me to pay even this inadequate homage to his memory." After some further remarks, Dr. Gairdner proceeded to the main subject of his presidential address, viz., "Alcoholic Insanity".

On the motion of Dr. FRASER (Paisley) and Mr. A. D. STEWART (Greenock), a vote of thanks was awarded to Dr. Gairdner.

Report of Council.—The Council submitted their annual report and financial statement. The report stated that the membership of the Branch was the same as at last annual meeting. It also made reference to the passing of the Habitual Drunkards' Bill, expressing a certain degree of satisfaction, but recognising that this Bill only conferred a small portion of what was really desirable, inasmuch as it gave no power for the treatment by control except in the case of persons who voluntarily submitted themselves to such control. It also suggested to the members of the Branch that they should do their best under the limited powers conferred by the Bill to demonstrate the advantages to be derived from such treatment. The report also referred to the question whether more frequent meetings of the Branch might not be held. In a subsequent discussion, it seemed to be the general feeling that at least one other meeting in the year would be desirable; but it was left to the Council to decide whether it should be held, and when. The financial statement showed that the Branch was in a very prosperous state as to funds.

Office-bearers.—The election of office-bearers was held with the following results:—*President:* W. T. Gairdner, M.D. *President-elect:* Bruce Goff, M.D. (Bothwell). *Vice-Presidents:* G. H. B. Macleod, M.D., and A. Fergus, M.D. *Honorary Secretaries:* Joseph Coats, M.D., and J. G. Lyon, M.D. *Council:* A. M. Buchanan, M.D.; G. Buchanan, M.D.; J. Grieve, Esq. (Port Glasgow); T. Lapraik, M.D.; D. Macleod, M.D. (Kilmarnock); W. J. Marshall, M.D. (Greenock); R. Renfrew, M.D.; Hugh Thomson, M.D.; D. Yellowlees, M.D.

Dinner.—The Branch afterwards dined in the Grand Hotel, where a pleasant evening was spent.

CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND HUNTINGDONSHIRE AND EAST ANGLIAN BRANCHES.

A CONJOINT meeting of these Branches was held at the Guildhall, Bury St. Edmund's, on Friday, June 27th, under the presidency of JOHN KILNER, Esq.

Preliminary meetings of each Branch specifically for the transaction of Branch business were held before the general meeting at the Suffolk General Hospital.

EAST ANGLIAN BRANCH.

Report of Council.—The following report was read.

"The Council of the East Anglian Branch, in presenting their annual report, have satisfaction in stating that the Branch continues to increase in numbers. There are now 137 members against 124 last year, and there are seven candidates for election as members, whose names will be submitted to you to-day. There are still upwards of thirty members of the Association in East Anglia who as yet are unconnected with our Branch, and there are also many members of the profession whom they would gladly welcome as members of the Association.

"The Council congratulate the Branch upon the success of the first autumnal meeting at Aldborough; and, encouraged by its success both as regards the members present and the large and valuable contribution of papers, they have made arrangements for an additional meeting in September next at Cromer, Norfolk. The Council desire to record their warm thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Newsom Garrett for the very hospitable reception given to the Association at Alde House.

"The Council recommend to the Branch that their general and individual support should be given to the Medical Act Amendment Bill (No. 2), introduced by Mr. Mills, M.P., whose object is direct representation of the profession as well as of the medical corporations upon the General Medical Council. The Council are watching with anxious care the many recommendations for improving the system of administering the system of out-patient relief in our hospitals and dispensaries which is so much needed, not only in the interest of the profession, but to maintain the self dependence of the working classes. They notice with satisfaction the success that has attended the self-supporting provident dispensaries which have been established in some few towns; they believe that, if carefully organised, they may be an efficient means of relieving the great abuse of gratuitous medical advice. In some districts of East Anglia, the Suffolk County Medical Club has attained much success. The Council feel, however, that great watchfulness must be exercised in its development, in its management, and particularly in the admission of members."

The Autumnal Meeting of the Branch was fixed for Friday, September 12th, at Cromer, Norfolk.

Representatives of the Branch in the General Council.—The following were elected: T. E. Amyot, Esq.; W. Cadge, Esq.; B. Chevallier, M.D.; G. C. Edwards, Esq.; J. Kilner, Esq.; J. B. Pitt, M.D.; R. V. Gorham, Esq.; F. Bateman, M.D.; and W. A. Elliston, M.D. (Honorary Secretary).

New Members.—The following were elected: T. A. C. McArthur, Esq. (Southwold); — Owen, Esq. (Walton); Surgeon-Major J. Sparrow, A.M.D.; C. E. Wing, Esq. (Bury St. Edmund's); H. S. Burton, Esq. (Norwich); A. A. Henley, Esq. (Woodbridge); Walter Hutchinson, Esq. (Newmarket). The following members of the Association were elected members of the East Anglian Branch: R. H. Lucas, Esq. (Bury St. Edmund's); A. C. Mayo, Esq. (Great Yarmouth); A. R. Manby, Esq. (East Rudham).

After the meetings of the Branches, the members, to the number of seventy, were entertained at luncheon in one of the large wards of the hospital by the President. After luncheon, Mr. Sutton, F.C.S., of Stourmarket, gave a demonstration of Professor Tuson's new antiseptic "sporokton", a combination of sulphurous acid and chloride of zinc.

COMBINED MEETING OF THE TWO BRANCHES.

President's Address.—The President-elect, JOHN KILNER, Esq., having been introduced by Mr. Amyot of Diss, delivered his address.

A Vote of Thanks to the President was proposed by Dr. DURRANT (Ipswich), seconded by Dr. BRADBURY (Cambridge), and carried.

The Case of Mr. Millerchip.—Dr. ANNINGSOON (Cambridge) alluded to the case of Mr. Millerchip, and solicited subscriptions for the fund being raised on his behalf.

Papers.—The following papers were read:

1. Peter Eade, M.D. (Norwich): Some After-effects of Railway Injury.
2. George Kirkwood, M.D. (Peterborough): On Cases (with casts) illustrating Dental Malformations dependent on Congenital Syphilis.
3. Professor Humphry, M.D., F.R.S. (Cambridge): Tumours of the Bladder and their Treatment.

4. W. A. Elliston, M.D. (Ipswich): On Some Causes of the Morbidity of Childbirth.

5. J. B. Bradbury, M.D. (Cambridge): Cases of Spasmodic Spinal Paralysis, with Remarks.

6. Charles Firth, M.B. (Norwich): Notes of Ten Cases of Completed Ovariectomy at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. (These cases were published in the JOURNAL of July 12th.)

Animated discussions upon the various papers were sustained by Dr. Humphry, Dr. Durrant, Dr. Eade, Mr. White (Norwich), Dr. Elliston, and Dr. Bateman.

At five o'clock, the members adjourned to the President's house, where they were entertained with afternoon tea, and subsequently visited objects of interest and the Botanical Gardens, where the band of the West Suffolk Militia played from five to six.

Dinner.—Later in the evening, many members and guests dined together at the Angel Hotel. Through the kindness of the President, the excellent band of his regiment played during dinner. The usual loyal toasts, the health of the President, and Success to the British Medical Association were eloquently given by Dr. Humphry and by Dr. Mackenzie Bacon; and thus one of the most pleasant and enjoyable meetings ever held in the district was brought to a close.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE fifteenth annual meeting of this Branch was held in the Library of the Infirmary, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on Tuesday, July 1st. There were present twenty-five members and six visitors.

Dr. BARRON, Honorary Secretary, read a letter from the retiring President, Dr. GEORGE MOORE, of Hartlepool, expressing his regret that he was unable to be present. He then introduced the new President, Dr. G. H. PHILIPSON, of Newcastle, who took the chair.

President's Address.—The PRESIDENT, after expressing his thanks for the very unusual distinction that had been bestowed upon him, in being raised from the position of Honorary Secretary to that of President of the Branch in one year, delivered a very interesting address, retrospective as to the advance of the science of medicine during the present century. Bright's recognition of albuminuria; Laennec's application of the ear to discover the normal and abnormal actions of the heart and lungs; embolism; tubercle and its relationship to phthisis pulmonalis; and sanitary science—were among the chief subjects touched upon.

Vote of Thanks to the President.—It was moved by Mr. MORGAN, seconded by Dr. FRAIN, and carried by acclamation: "That the grateful thanks of the meeting be accorded to the President for his able address, and that the address be printed and circulated amongst the members."

Vote of Thanks to the Retiring President and Officers.—It was moved by Mr. BROADBENT, seconded by Dr. DENHAM: "That the warmest thanks of the meeting be given to the retiring President, Dr. George Moore, the Council of Management, and the other officers, for their valuable services during the past year."

Election of New Members.—The following gentlemen were unanimously elected members of the Association and Branch: C. M. Douglas, M.D., Army Medical Department, Newcastle; W. O. Lambert, M.D., Sunderland; A. B. Low, M.B., Sunderland.

Report of Council.—The Council reported favourably of the position and usefulness of the Branch. During the year, seventeen new members had been elected. At the present time, the Branch consists of two hundred and forty-seven members. The Council offered its grateful thanks to the members who during the year had read papers and the records of cases.

Treasurer's Account.—The Treasurer's account showed that the receipts, including a balance of £17 16s. 1d., amounted to £62 4s. 1d. The balance, after all payments, amounted to £17 15s. 9d.

Officers for 1879-80.—Dr. STAINTHORPE proposed, Mr. HORAN seconded, and it was unanimously carried: "That the next annual meeting be held at Sunderland, the autumnal meeting at Durham, and the spring meeting at Gilsland, in conjunction with the Border Counties Branch; that G. B. Morgan, Esq., be President-elect; Dr. T. W. Barron, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer; and Drs. Gibson, Drummond, Frain, and Dixon, the Council of Management."

Representatives in the General Council of the Association.—It was moved by Mr. HAWTHORN, seconded by Mr. GAMMAGE, and carried unanimously: "That the following gentlemen be the representatives of the Branch in the General Council of the Association: H. E. Armstrong, Esq.; W. C. Arnison, M.D.; S. W. Broadbent, Esq.; W. H. Dixon, M.D.; J. W. Eastwood, M.D.; C. J. Gibb, M.D.; Charles Gibson, M.D.; G. H. Hume, M.D.; Andrew Legat, M.D.; George Moore, M.D.; G. B. Morgan, Esq.; G. H. Philipson, M.D.; and T. W. Barron, M.B., *ex officio*."

Representative in the Parliamentary Bills Committee.—Dr. EASTWOOD proposed, Mr. H. E. ARMSTRONG seconded, and it was unanimously carried: "That Dr. PHILIPSON be the representative of the Branch in the Parliamentary Bills Committee of the Association."

Vote of Thanks to the House Committee and Medical Board of the Newcastle Infirmary.—On the motion of the PRESIDENT, it was resolved: "That the grateful thanks of the meeting be accorded to the House Committee and to the Medical Board of the Newcastle-on-Tyne Infirmary, for their kindness in granting the use of the library for the purposes of the meeting."

Dinner.—The dinner took place at the Douglas Hotel. The President occupied the chair, and Dr. Barron the vice-chair. Among the guests present were the Mayor of Newcastle (Mr. Alderman Robinson), the Sheriff of Newcastle (Mr. J. G. Youll), and the Vicar of Newcastle (the Rev. Canon Martin).

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Bristol Museum and Library, on Thursday, June 26th; Dr. HENSLEY, President, in the Chair. There were present sixty-six members and one visitor.

New Members.—The following gentlemen were elected members of the General Association and of this Branch: F. B. Logan, M.R.C.S., Bristol; E. Field, L.R.C.P., Bath; J. M. Kirkman, M.R.C.S., Wotton Bassett. Thomas Webster, L.R.C.P., was elected a member of this Branch.

The Days of Meeting.—Mr. BOARD read letters from members and other medical men at Weston-super-Mare, asking that the date of the ordinary meetings of the Branch should be again altered from Thursday to Wednesday. This question was referred to the Council, on the proposition of Mr. ROSSITER, seconded by Mr. DOBSON.

President's Address.—Dr. HENSLEY resigned the Chair to Dr. BEDDOE, President-elect, who read an address on the Progress of Public Health.

It was proposed by Dr. SPENDER, and seconded by Dr. DAVEY—"That the thanks of the meeting be offered to Dr. Beddoe for his very able and interesting address." This was carried unanimously.

Report of Council.—Mr. BOARD, Honorary Secretary for Bristol, read the following report.

"Your Council reports with much satisfaction that the Branch continues in a flourishing condition; and, notwithstanding the losses that it has unavoidably sustained during the past year, the list of its members continues to increase. At our last annual meeting, our numbers were 217; they are now 218. Fourteen new members have been added to the Branch during the past session, including those elected to-day.

"Death has deprived us of seven of our members: Mr. Green, Mr. Burroughs, Mr. J. James, Mr. T. H. W. Davies, Mr. A. Smith, Mr. W. Y. Sheppard, and Mr. Tibbits. These are grievous and heavy losses, quite unprecedented in the annals of the Branch; and there are few among us who do not claim one of those gone as a friend or colleague. Mr. Green was a very old member of our Council, and one who formerly gave us many interesting papers and joined much in the discussions. For many years a member of the Infirmary staff, he was beloved by all for his kind and genial manners, and was a staunch conservative in surgery. Mr. Burroughs was one of the oldest medical men in Clifton, and practised here till within a few weeks of his death. Few except those intimately connected with him know how grievous his loss was to the poor around him, to whom he was ever ready and willing to give professional help. Both he and Mr. Green sat for many years on the Bristol Town Council, forming a valuable link between the medical profession and the municipal authority. By the death of Mr. Tibbits, the staff of the infirmary and the faculty of the medical school lost a most earnest and valuable officer. Enthusiastic in his love for his profession, he was most thorough and painstaking in the practice of it, and gave every promise of a brilliant career as an operating surgeon. Mr. James was senior surgeon at the Children's Hospital, to which he devoted a large amount of his time and attention. In addition, four gentlemen have resigned membership and two have left the neighbourhood, making altogether a loss of thirteen.

"Eight papers have been read and fully discussed during the session; viz.: *Alcoholic Drinks in Health and Disease*, by Dr. Beddoe; *Observations on Dysentery*, by Dr. Fyffe; *Notes on a Case of Ascites, with Recovery*, by Dr. Siddall; *Are First Labours more dangerous than others?* by Dr. Swayne; *A Year's Experience in Gall-Stones*, by Dr. Cole; *Common Errors in Gynaecology*, by Dr. Aust Lawrence; *The best Mode of Tapping for Ascites*, by Mr. Michell Clarke; and *Notes on Cases of Ovariectomy*, by Mr. Dobson. Two meetings have been devoted to the discussion of special subjects: that of December 12th, on *Alcoholic Drinks in Health and Disease*, introduced by Dr. Beddoe;

and that of May 29th, on the Treatment of the Various Forms of Pleuritic Effusion, by Dr. E. Markham Skerritt. The large attendance on these occasions, and the amount of interesting and valuable discussion provoked, encourage your Council to recommend that the practice of setting apart for this purpose two evenings in each session be continued.

"The financial condition of the Branch is so far satisfactory that there is a balance in hand of £9 17s. 7d. Your Council recommend that a donation of three guineas be given to the Medical Benevolent Fund.

"The scrutineers report that the following gentlemen have been elected members of the several Councils:—For *Bath*: J. S. Bartrum, Esq.; R. W. Falconer, M.D.; C. Harper, Esq.; F. Mason, Esq. For *Bristol*: H. Marshall, M.D.; A. Prichard, Esq.; J. G. Swayne, M.D.; C. Steele, Esq. Dr. Burder and Dr. Spencer were found to have an equal number of votes; it is, therefore, necessary that a ballot be taken at this meeting."

A ballot was now taken, and Dr. Burder was declared elected.

It was proposed by Mr. CHADWICK, seconded by Dr. ANDREWS—"That this report be received."

President-elect.—It was proposed by Mr. MASON and seconded by Dr. BRITTAN—"That A. Waugh, Esq., be President-elect." This was carried by acclamation.

Vote of Thanks to Ex-President.—It was proposed by Dr. FYFFE, seconded by Mr. STEELE, and carried unanimously—"That the best thanks are due and are hereby tendered to Dr. Hensley for his able conduct in the Chair during the past year."

Secretaries.—Mr. W. M. CLARKE proposed, Mr. BARTRUM seconded, and it was resolved—"That the thanks of the Branch are due to the Secretaries for their services during the past year, and that they be requested to continue in office."

Invitation from the Gloucestershire Branch.—Mr. FOWLER read an invitation from the Gloucestershire Branch to meet the members of this Branch at a place and time to be arranged. It was referred to a Committee consisting of the President and Secretaries.

Representatives in the General Council.—The following gentlemen were elected to serve as representatives in the General Council of the Association: J. S. Bartrum, Esq.; F. Brittan, M.D.; E. L. Fox, M.D.; A. J. Harrison, M.B.; H. Hensley, M.D.; H. Marshall, M.D.; F. Mason, Esq.; A. Prichard, Esq.; C. Steele, Esq.; and A. Waugh, Esq.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE twenty-seventh annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Ship Hotel, Greenwich, on Friday, July 25th, at 4 P.M. In the absence of the President, Dr. ANDREW CLARK, the Chair was taken by the President-elect, JOHN WOOD, Esq., F.R.S.

Report of Council.—Dr. HENRY, Honorary Secretary, read the following report.

"The Council of the Metropolitan Counties Branch, in presenting the twenty-seventh annual report, have very great pleasure in being able to state that the condition of the Branch, as regards both numerical strength and usefulness, has during the past year been highly satisfactory. At the last annual meeting, the number of members on the list was 617. Since that time, ten have died; nine have been removed in consequence of resignation, and two on account of not paying their subscriptions. On the other hand, there has been an addition—unequalled in any previous year—of 223 members, making the total number at present 819.

"The list of those who have died includes the names of Mr. E. H. Ambler, of Hemel Hempstead, a worthy representative of the class of country practitioners; Dr. Tilbury Fox; Mr. John Hilton; Mr. Henry Johnson, of Lambeth; Mr. William Martin; Dr. Charles Murchison; Mr. R. R. Mathewson, of Belvedere, Kent; Mr. G. W. Nichol, of Rotherhithe; and Dr. C. R. Nicoll.

"Your Council sympathise deeply with the profession in their expressions of regret at the premature loss of Dr. Tilbury Fox and Dr. Charles Murchison. Dr. Fox will be remembered not only as an able and scientific practitioner and an honourable man, but as one who did much to raise the professional position of that special department of practice which he followed. Dr. Murchison will survive in the memory of all who knew him as an excellent clinical teacher, a sagacious and successful practitioner, an author of works of the highest value in medicine, and in every respect a bright ornament of his profession.

"Mr. John Hilton, the late eminent surgeon of Guy's Hospital, had done much good work in his time; and his memory is held in veneration.

tion by all who had the privilege of being his pupils or otherwise knowing him. He presided over the Section of Surgery at the annual meeting of the Association in London in 1873.

"In the death of Dr. C. R. Nicoll, your Council have had to lament the loss of a much esteemed member of their body. From the time of his election in 1877, Dr. Nicoll was one of the most regular attendants at the meetings of the Council, and his absence on recent occasions has been a cause of much regret.

"Your Council cannot leave the subject of the losses sustained by the Branch without paying a tribute of respect to the memory of an old and faithful officer of the Branch, Dr. Thomas Ogier Ward, who has died during the present year. Dr. Ward was one of the founders of the Branch; and, on its establishment at the end of 1852, he was appointed Honorary Secretary. He performed the duties of this office with exemplary honesty of purpose and unwearied industry until 1859, when he retired in consequence of leaving London.

"During the present year, the experiment of forming Districts of the Branch has been tried and has been highly successful. Three districts have as yet been organised: the East London and South Essex; the North London; and the South London. In each of these districts, several monthly meetings have been held, which have been well attended, and at which a number of valuable papers have been read and discussed. The meetings for the formation of these district societies were, in the unavoidable absence of the President, ably presided over by the President-elect, Mr. Wood. Your President took the chair at several of the earlier district meetings; and the Council desire to record their sincere thanks to him and to the President-elect for the active interest manifested by them in these undertakings, which has without doubt had much influence in their success. Thanks are also eminently due to those gentlemen who have kindly acted as honorary local secretaries—Dr. Alexander Grant, Dr. Dowse, and Mr. Nelson Hardy—for the zeal and ability with which they have conducted the business of the district meetings. Your Council trust that districts may soon be organised in other parts of the area of this large Branch.

"The only subject that has been brought before the Branch in general meeting has been that of Medical Education, with special reference to the General Practitioner of Medicine. A discussion on this subject was opened by your President at a meeting held on June 25th, and the debate was resumed at an adjourned meeting on July 16th. At the former of these meetings, a Committee was appointed to collect information on certain points from teachers in the medical schools of England, as well as from members of the Branch. A large number of replies to the questions issued have been received; and the Committee hope to be able to lay a report, founded on them, before a meeting of the Branch early in the ensuing session. The large attendance of members at the meetings, the valuable remarks made in the course of the discussion by eminent teachers and by general practitioners, and the large number of replies to the questions put by the Committee, all indicate that the subject of medical education is regarded as one of paramount interest, and, your Council think, fully justify them in the course which they took of causing it to be discussed. The thanks of the Branch are due to several gentlemen who, not being members, accepted the invitation to attend the meetings, and offered some valuable remarks; and especially to Professor Huxley, who, at the invitation of your President, kindly attended on the last occasion, and favoured the members present with a clear exposition of his views on medical education, to which subject he has devoted much earnest attention.

"The opinion of your Council has been asked on the part of the Committee of Council with respect to certain proposals for improving the relations between that body and the Branches of the Association. After due consideration, your Council approved of the proposals submitted to them, which were as follows.

"1. 'That it is advisable that power be given to each Branch, if it see fit, to send to the Committee of Council, instead of the Honorary Secretary, a representative of the Branch to be elected annually in general meeting.

"2. 'That it is advisable that a meeting of the General Council of the Association be held every year in May or June.'

"To these the Council added the following recommendation.

"'That it be a recommendation to the Committee of Council that the payment of the travelling expenses of the representatives of Branches who attend the meeting of the Committee of Council held next before the annual meeting of the Association shall be arranged for by the Committee of Council.'

"It has, however, been decided by the Committee of Council to take no further steps in the matter at present.

"The attention of your Council has been called to certain practices on the part of some members of the profession, which have been represented to them as deserving of blame. They accordingly took the

matter into serious consideration, and agreed on the following resolutions.

"1. That, in the opinion of this Council, the so-called 'Provident Dispensaries' kept by private members of the profession as an apparent means of gaining practice are degrading to the profession and injurious to the public; and that persons keeping such dispensaries are not worthy of the membership of this Branch.

"2. That this Council disapproves of the practice, on the part of medical men, of keeping open shops for the sale of articles other than the medicines required in the treatment of their patients.'

"Regarding these resolutions, a few words of explanation may be necessary.

"The first resolution does not aim at the condemnation of those most useful institutions ordinarily known as provident dispensaries, which are managed by properly constituted committees, and in which the members pay periodical contributions during health for the purpose of ensuring medical attendance to themselves and their families during sickness. Its object is to express disapprobation of the conduct of certain medical men who—the Council are credibly informed—call their individual private establishments 'provident dispensaries' as an apparent means of attracting the public. In such institutions, there is not only an absence of the essential features of the true provident dispensary, but they tend to encourage those habits of improvidence and neglect which it is the object of the genuine provident dispensary to remedy.

"With regard to the second resolution, on the keeping of open shops, your Council wish it to be distinctly understood that they do not include open surgeries in their condemnation. In many—especially poor—localities, the open surgery is a necessity and a convenience alike to the practitioner and to his patients. But your Council most emphatically disapprove of medical men keeping shops in which are sold such things as patent medicines, tooth-brushes, and other articles which find a legitimate place in the druggist's shop. Those who keep such establishments compromise the dignity of their profession; and their conduct is unjust towards the tradesman, whose encroachment on the functions of the practitioner of medicine is regarded as improper.

"A memorial of the medical practitioners of Liverpool, protesting against the obligation of hospital medical officers to give evidence at coroners' inquests without fee, and praying that the necessary amendment be made in the Coroners' Bill before Parliament, was laid before your Council; who unanimously decided to support the prayer thereof.

"Your Council rejoice in being able to announce that the Bill for the Care and Treatment of Habitual Drunkards has received the Royal assent, and become the law of the land. Although the scope of this measure is more limited than was the original design of its promoters, your Council believe that it will be the means of effecting much good; and they heartily congratulate Dr. Cameron, M.P. for Glasgow, Mr. Stephen Alford, the Subcommittee of this Branch, and all who have laboured for the desirable object of rescuing the unhappy victims of habitual drunkenness, on the success which has so far attended their endeavours.

"In examining the claims of the large number of members of the Association who have sought admission into the Branch—and of whom the great majority have been enrolled in our list—your Council have had forced on their attention the necessity of a careful investigation of the professional character of each applicant. They have therefore decided to submit for your approval an amendment of the second law of the Branch.

"Your Council have issued voting-papers for the election of officers and members of Council of the Branch, and representatives of the Branch in the General Council of the Association. The result is shown in the subjoined list. *President*, John Wood, Esq., F.R.S.; *President-elect*, S. O. Habershon, M.D.; *Vice-Presidents*, Septimus W. Sibley, Esq., Charles Drage, M.D., Andrew Clark, M.D., A. P. Stewart, M.D.; *Treasurer*, Walter Dickson, M.D.; *Secretaries*, Alexander Henry, M.D., William Chapman Grigg, M.D.; *Ordinary Members of Council* (the names to which an asterisk is prefixed are those of members nominated in place of nine who retire, and of Dr. Nicoll, deceased), *William Allingham, Esq., F. A. Best, Esq., *W. H. Brace, M.D., G. D. Brown, Esq., *Charles Davidson, Esq., George Eastes, M.B., C. Hilton Fagge, M.D., *Robert Farquharson, M.D., *Henry I. Fotherby, M.D., *Cornelius B. Fox, M.D., Ernest Hart, Esq., *Jonathan Hutchinson, Esq., *Thomas Morton, M.D., William M. Ord, M.D., Frederick T. Roberts, M.D., Edwin Saunders, Esq., *E. Hart Vinen, M.D., Alfred Walker, M.D.; *Representatives of the Branch in the General Council*, Robert Barnes, M.D., W. C. Begley, M.D., John S. Bristowe, M.D., W. H. Broadbent, M.D., John C. Bucknill, M.D., F.R.S., G. W. Callender, Esq., F.R.S., Andrew Clark, M.D., T. B. Curling, Esq., F.R.S., C. Davidson, Esq., Walter Dickson, M.D., T. S. Dowse, M.D., C. Drage, M.D., Arthur E. Durham, Esq., R. Farquharson, M.D.,

Stamford Felce, M.R.C.P.Ed., John Goodchild, Esq., W. R. Gowers, M.D., Alexander Grant, M.D., H. Nelson Hardy, Esq., Ernest Hart, Esq., Christopher Heath, Esq., Alexander Henry, M.D., Berkeley Hill, Esq., T. Holmes, Esq., Jonathan Hutchinson, Esq., Sir W. Jenner, K.C.B., M.D., Norman Kerr, M.D., W. Mac Cormac, Esq., Henry Power, Esq., R. Quain, M.D., F.R.S., W. Rivington, Esq., F. T. Roberts, M.D., Joseph Rogers, M.D., S. W. Sibley, Esq., E. H. Sieveking, M.D., A. P. Stewart, M.D., Allen Thomson, M.D., F.R.S., C. M. Tidy, M.B., E. H. Vinen, M.D., A. Wiltshire, M.D.

"Your Council congratulate the Branch on the fact that the retiring President, Dr. Andrew Clark, has been chosen for the important and honourable duty of presiding over the Section of Medicine at the forthcoming annual meeting of the British Medical Association.

"In conclusion, your Council congratulate the Branch on the unprecedented stage of prosperity which it has attained, and on the amount of useful energy which it has displayed during the past year. In returning into your hands the trust committed to them, they feel assured that a still brighter future of prosperity and usefulness lies before the Branch, and that the eminence of its members and its increasing strength of numbers will both seek and find full employment in aiding the advancement of medical science, in maintaining the honour of the profession, and in promoting all measures calculated to alleviate human suffering and increase the welfare of mankind."

On the proposal of Dr. BEGLEY, it was resolved :

"That the report of Council now read be received, adopted, and entered on the minutes."

Treasurer's Account.—Dr. WALTER DICKSON, Treasurer, presented the financial statement. The income—including a balance in hand of £22 18s. 3d. at the annual meeting in 1878—amounted to £108 8s. 3d.; and the expenditure to £76 16s. 7d.; leaving a balance of £31 11s. 8d.

Mr. GANT proposed, and it was resolved :

"That the Treasurer's report now read be received, adopted, and entered on the minutes."

Vote of Thanks to the ex-President.—Dr. STEWART proposed :

"That the cordial thanks of the Branch be given to Dr. Andrew Clark for the able and courteous manner in which he has performed the duties of President during the past year; for the deep interest in the prosperity of the Branch which he has at all times shown; and for the most valuable aid which he has given in all endeavours to increase the usefulness of the Branch both to the profession and to the public."

He said that every member of the Branch would readily endorse every word of the resolution. All who had attended the meetings on medical education could testify to the admirable manner in which Dr. Clark had filled the chair. The Branch had derived honour from his presidency, quite as much as he had been honoured by being called on to fill the office of president. The Branch had had many very good presidents; but none had thrown their heart into the work more thoroughly than Dr. Clark had done. Referring to the concluding words of the resolution, Dr. Stewart said that there was no antagonism of interest between the medical profession and the public. That which promoted the welfare of the one promoted that of the other; and he wished that the fact was more generally recognised.

Dr. F. T. ROBERTS seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Alteration of By-law.—Dr. HENRY proposed, Dr. BEGLEY seconded, and it was resolved, that the second By-law of the Branch be altered as follows :

"Any member of the British Medical Association residing within the area of the Branch, who is not disqualified by any by-law or resolution of the Association or of the Branch, may be admitted a member either (a) by the Council of the Branch, (b) by the votes of the members present at a general meeting of the Branch, or (c) at a meeting of a District Society; the admission in the last case being subject to confirmation by the Council of the Branch. Every member of the Association desiring to become a member of the Branch must signify his wish in writing to one of the Secretaries of the Branch or to a District Secretary, and must be recommended as eligible by at least two members of the Branch to whom he is personally known."

President's Address.—Mr. JOHN WOOD then delivered, as President, an address on Medical Education. It is published at page 162.

Mr. MACNAMARA moved, Dr. SEATON seconded, and it was unanimously resolved :

"That the best thanks of the Branch be given to Mr. Wood for his able address."

The Murchison Memorial.—A letter from the Secretaries to the Murchison Memorial Fund was read. The President recommended the matter to the favourable consideration of the members of the Branch.

Dinner.—The members afterwards dined together; John Wood, Esq., in the chair.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND POOR-LAW MEDICAL SERVICES.

POOR-LAW MEDICAL APPOINTMENT.

HILL, Frederick A., M.D., appointed Medical Officer to the Out-door Poor in the Kilburn District, St. John's Parish, Hampstead, *vice* Thomas Morton, M.D., resigned.

PUBLIC HEALTH MEDICAL APPOINTMENT.

THOMSON, W., M.D., re-elected Medical Officer of Health for the Peterborough Rural Sanitary District.

MEDICO-PARLIAMENTARY.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.—Monday, July 28th.

Vaccination Prosecutions.—In reply to Mr. Serjeant Simon, Mr. SCLATER-BOOTH said : I am aware that proceedings have been taken lately against a large number of persons in the Dewsbury Union for neglecting to cause their children to be vaccinated, and I fear they may have been encouraged in that course by those who are entrusted with the administration of the law. Proceedings are taken under three heads—first, for a penalty for neglect to have the child vaccinated; second, there may be a summons to show cause why an order should not be made for the vaccination; and, third, there may be a summons for a penalty for non-compliance with the order. The vaccination officer has written to me, stating that in no single instance has he taken proceedings under the third head against a defaulter previously convicted under the first. That being so, his conduct has not been contrary to the instructions of the Local Government Board, nor to the spirit of the letter to the Evesham Guardians. No doubt, it is contrary to the resolution of the Dewsbury Guardians; but that resolution, as they have been informed, is illegal, and, in fact, a nullity. There seems to me no ground for putting an end to the system of payment of the vaccination officer by fees, which has been generally adopted and works well; nor is it found to encourage prosecutions. The fees are not regulated by the number of prosecutions, but by the number of cases of successful vaccination.

OBITUARY.

JOHN TREHARNE, M.B., B.Sc., F.C.S.

JOHN TREHARNE, who was born in 1847, died at Bournemouth on June 20th, at the age of thirty-two. He first studied at Glasgow University, where he took a medal in forensic medicine and several certificates of honour. He acted as assistant to the Pathologist at the Glasgow Royal Infirmary in 1871-72. He then proceeded to Edinburgh, where he graduated in 1873 as M.B. and C.M. Soon afterwards, he entered upon practice at Shipley, in Yorkshire, and was appointed medical officer of health for two districts. But, his health becoming impaired, he gave up general practice, and decided on devoting his attention to sanitary science. In 1877, he proceeded once more to Edinburgh, where he studied the various subjects required for the degree of Bachelor of Science in Public Health, which he received in April 1878. He worked assiduously in the chemical laboratory during the following summer; but his state of health obliged him to relinquish work, and he went on the continent for a time. In the autumn, he came to London, where he suffered for some time from severe pneumonia, which left one lung much injured. He was advised to reside at Bournemouth; but the change did not act beneficially as was expected, and he died of phthisis.

ANONYMOUS MUNIFICENCE.—At the recent meeting of the governors of the Chelsea Hospital for Women, the Earl of St. Germans (the President) received, at the hands of the Rev. Canon Fleming (one of the board of management), an anonymous donation of £1,000 towards providing furniture for the new hospital. In the spirit of true charity, it is given on the express condition "that no name is mentioned", it being simply acknowledged as "from a friend, per Rev. Canon Fleming". We know not which to admire the more: the munificence of the gift, or the manner of bestowment.

MEDICAL NEWS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen passed their primary examinations in anatomy and physiology, at a meeting of the Board of Examiners, on July 17th; and, when eligible, will be admitted to the pass examination.

Messrs. Maurice Gepp, J. S. S. Summer, W. S. Battiss, J. A. Hooker, and Joseph Bott (Students of the London Hospital); E. T. Power, A. T. G. Heath, J. A. P. Smith, Robert Beswick, and L. K. Smith (of St. Bartholomew's Hospital); Howard Harris, A. H. Leech, and H. R. Mosse (of the Charing Cross Hospital); G. R. Butler (of St. Thomas's Hospital); A. D. Wilcocks (of King's College); and F. J. Lilly (of St. George's Hospital).

Seventy-two candidates out of the two hundred and one examined, having failed to acquit themselves to the satisfaction of the Board of Examiners, were referred to their anatomical and physiological studies for three months, including twenty-two who had an additional three months. With this meeting, the primary examinations for the present session were brought to a close.—The name of Mr. St. Clair Thomson, of King's College, was accidentally omitted in the list of July 12th, as having passed his primary examination on that day.

The following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examinations for the diploma, were admitted members of the College at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on July 21st.

Bowman, H. T., M.B. Durham, Newcastle-upon-Tyne (St. Bartholomew's Hospital and Newcastle-upon-Tyne School)
Davidson, John, L.S.A., Kilburn (King's College)
Dodd, J. R., M.B. Durham, Newcastle-upon-Tyne (St. Bartholomew's Hospital and the Newcastle-upon-Tyne School)
Havens, E. J., L.S.A., Colchester (London Hospital)
Manners, Arthur, Hull (Manchester School)
Marsden, J. C., L.S.A., Madras (University College)
Martin, E. F., M.D. Edinb., Weston-super-Mare (Edinburgh School)
Pegler, Louis W. H., M.B. Edinb., Colchester (Edinburgh School)
Smith, E. B., M.B. Aberd., John Street, W. (St. George's Hospital)
Sprott, W. J., M.D. Queen's Univ., Irel., Dromore, co. Down (Belfast School)
Webb, C. A., L.S.A., Drighlington, Yorkshire (St. George's Hospital)

Thirteen candidates were rejected.

The following gentlemen passed on July 22nd.

Cowen, W. A. D., L.R.C.P. Ed., Gosport, Hants (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Dale, B. H., Scarborough (Bristol School)
Dales, William, Sheffield (Sheffield School)
Foster, William, B.A. Cantab. (Leeds School)
Frakes, H. S., Manchester (Manchester School)
Grace, W. G., L.R.C.P. Ed., Acton (Bristol School)
Hamilton, S. G., Queen Anne's Mansions, W. (St. George's Hospital)
Harbord, E. A., Wainfleet, Lincolnshire (Birmingham School)
Hodgson, John, Oldham (Manchester School)
Lewis, J. G. S., L.S.A., Ealing (Guy's Hospital)
Maile, C. E. D., L.R.C.P. Ed., Faversham (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Mellor, Thomas, L.S.A., Bury (Manchester School)
Milne, J. K., Manchester (Manchester School)
Payne, Henry, Bolton (Manchester School)
Peck, F. S., Clifton (Bristol School)
Porter, T. M., Liverpool (Liverpool School)
Smith, H. S., Axbridge (Bristol School)
Teskey, Luke, M.B. Toronto, Toronto (London Hospital)
Whitehouse, John, Smethwick (Birmingham School)

Ten candidates were rejected.

The following gentlemen passed on July 23rd.

Ballance, C. A., Lower Clapton (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Bennett, F. J., George Street, W. (St. George's Hospital)
Booth, T. C., Stalybridge (Manchester School)
Challinor, S. McM., Bolton (Manchester School)
Dimmock, H. P., Chelsea (St. George's Hospital)
Fisher, F. C., Cadogan Place (St. George's Hospital)
Flanagan, H. E. B., L.S.A., Woolwich (Guy's Hospital)
Goodridge, E. W. G., Child Oakford, Dorset (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Ho Kai, M.B. Aberd., Hong Kong (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Holland, E. W., Bath (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Huxley, F. E., Birmingham (Westminster Hospital)
Maitland, C. B., Haymarket (St. George's Hospital)
Pritchard, S. E., L.S.A., Beaumaris (London Hospital)
Warburton, Arthur, Crewe, Cheshire (University College)

Nine candidates were rejected.

The following gentlemen passed on July 24th.

Crew, W. T., Macclesfield (Guy's Hospital)
Davies, R. T. E., Aberavon, Glamorganshire (University College)
Deane, A. D., Henley-on-Thames (Guy's Hospital)
Dickinson, T. E., Sloane Street (St. George's Hospital)
Falla, Walter, Jersey (University College)
Hassan, Syed, L.R.C.P. Lond., Bedford Place (Bengal School)
Hine, J. E., Draycott, Derbyshire (University College)
Ingledew, George, Girdlers Road, W. (University College)
Kirsopp, Thomas, L.S.A., Hexham, Northumberland (St. Bartholomew's Hospital)
McDonnell, Denis, Pentonville (King's College)
Shaw, John, L.S.A., York Road, S.E. (St. Thomas's Hospital)
Shears, C. H. B., Norwood (St. Bartholomew's Hospital)
Shield, A. M., Gilfach, near Narberth (St. George's Hospital)
Skinner, B. M., Gloucester Crescent, W. (St. George's Hospital)

Steele, W. C., Dorchester (St. Bartholomew's Hospital)
Webb, J. G., St. George's Road (St. George's Hospital)
Seven candidates were rejected.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, July 24th, 1879.

Butterworth, John Tingle, Mosely, Birmingham
Henderson, Cecil, Pembridge Road, Clifton
Parsons, Herbert Flower, Frome, Somersetshire

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

Barnes, Walter Stanley, University College
Currah, George Ingersoll, Guy's Hospital
East, Frederick William, London Hospital
Taylor, Thomas Percy, St. Bartholomew's Hospital
Tucker, Joseph, St. Mary's Hospital
Wilson, Henry Clark, London Hospital

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

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

The following vacancies are announced:—

***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.

CARRICK-ON-SUIR UNION—Medical Officer for Piltown Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum, and £20 per annum as Sanitary Officer, together with Registration and Vaccination Fees. Election on the 14th instant.

***CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, Birmingham**—Assistant Resident Surgeon. Salary, £40 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications to the Honorary Secretary.

CITY AND COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM, near Bristol. Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum, with furnished apartments, board, and washing. Applications on or before the 20th instant.

GRANARD UNION—Medical Officer for Finnea Dispensary District, at a salary of £100 per annum; £14 as Sanitary Officer; Registration and Vaccination Fees. Age of candidates not to exceed 40 years. Election on 5th instant.

***HOSPITAL FOR WOMEN, Soho Square**—Surgeon-Dentist. Applications to the Secretary, on or before August 6th.

***HULL GENERAL INFIRMARY**—House-Surgeon. Salary, £105 per annum, with board and furnished apartments. Applications on or before August 6th.

***LEEDS AMALGAMATED FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' MEDICAL AID ASSOCIATION**—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £120 per annum. Applications on or before August 2nd.

***LINCOLN COUNTY HOSPITAL**—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum, with board and lodging. Applications to be made on or before August 11th.

***NORTHAMPTON GENERAL INFIRMARY**—Physician. Applications not later than the 26th instant.

PARISH OF ST. JOHN'S, Hampstead—Medical Officer of Health. Salary, £125 per annum. Applications on or before September 1st.

***ST. MARYLEBONE GENERAL DISPENSARY**—Obstetric Physician; also, Third Honorary Physician. Applications on or before the 5th instant.

***SHEFFIELD GENERAL INFIRMARY**—House-Surgeon. Salary, £120 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing.—Assistant House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications on or before August 16th.

***SUSSEX COUNTY HOSPITAL**—House-Surgeon. Salary, £80 and £10 a year from each Resident Pupil. Applications on or before August 13th.

***TOWNSHIP OF MANCHESTER**—Resident Assistant Medical Officer for the Workhouse. Salary, £140, with furnished apartments, fire, washing, etc. Applications not later than August 2nd.

WESTERN OPHTHALMIC HOSPITAL—Clinical Assistant. Applications to the Secretary on or before August 2nd.

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.

PHILLIPS.—On July 29th, at Broadwater House, Southend, Essex, the wife of Edward E. Phillips, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., of a daughter.

WHITLING.—On July 25th, at Croydon, the wife of H. Townsend Whitting, M.R.C.S. Eng., of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

GREEN—FOX.—On July 24th, at the Friends' Meeting House, Holloway, T. Henry Green, M.D., of 74, Wimpole Street, London, to Charlotte Maria, daughter of the late Samuel Lindoe Fox, and step-daughter of Philip Debell Tuckett, of Southwood Lawn, Highgate.

DEATH.

*CARR, Charles, M.R.C.S. Eng., at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, on July 18th.

BEQUESTS.—Mr. George H. Fletcher, formerly of Liverpool, and lately of Carshalton, has bequeathed £500 each to the Birkenhead Borough Hospital, the Liverpool Royal Infirmary, the Liverpool Northern Hospital, and the Liverpool Southern Hospital.—Mrs. Amelia Idle, late of Shopwyke, Oving, Sussex, has left £1,000 to the West Surrey, East Hampshire, and Chichester Infirmary and Dispensary.

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 ...	St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—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.

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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.

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

LARGE GALL-STONE PASSED PER ANUM.

SIR,—I anticipated seeing the diagnosis of Mr. C. H. Roberts in the JOURNAL of July 19th, page 116, challenged in this week's impression. Was it not an enterolith that was extracted *per anum*, similar to M. Foca's case, only smaller, referred to, in company with several others, in Section 882-3 of the *Medical Digest*?
July 26th, 1879. M.D.

SIR,—Can any of your readers tell me anything about the medical school established at Oxford by the Jews during the reign of William the Conqueror?—Yours faithfully,
Sheffield, July 1879. ARTHUR JACKSON.

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.

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DR. ELLIOT (Carlisle) is thanked for his contribution to the literature of hydrophobia.

DR. LAIDLAW.—The enclosure shall have attention.

PROFESSIONAL ETIQUETTE.

SIR,—Not the least advantage of the British Medical Association seems to me to consist in the growing practice of making the editor a kind of referee for doubtful cases of professional ethics. I should like an opinion on the following.

A. is suddenly called to a case of labour, with the intimation that B. has been engaged and sent for; but that matters are progressing so fast that no time is to be lost, B. living some way off. A. goes at once; and after about an hour, concludes a case of twins. Being again sent for late, on account of after-pains, he then finds that B. arrived after he left; and subsequently he receives a note from B., who is a complete stranger to him, thanking him for his promptitude in attending his old patient, and expressing his intention of taking the case on.

The view I am inclined to take of the matter is this: either it is a matter entirely between A. and the patient, B. being a stranger to him, save in name, and not having sent the patient to him to stop a gap, in which case A. should send in his charge to the patient; or B. should have called on A. and offered him the fee. But I ask for an opinion, and am open to conviction. Of course, in the case of friends mutually obliging each other, the case is different. I may say that it is my practice invariably to offer the fee to any one who takes a case for me.—I am, etc.,
July 1879. M.B., M.A.

* * Whether "friend" or "stranger", it is the proper and usual practice for A., under such circumstances, to regard himself purely as *locum tenens* for the practitioner originally engaged, and at once to withdraw when that practitioner arrives. This is a professional and not a personal courtesy, and is independent of private relations. A. has no claims upon either the patient or upon B. under such circumstances. B. may think it right to divide the fee, and usually does, unless opportunities of reciprocating the fee are likely to occur; but no claim can arise.

VACUUS.—Under such circumstances, we see no reason whatever why an adequate charge should not be made against the estate.

THE TREATMENT OF METRORRHAGIA.

SIR,—If Dr. Henry Bennet will take the trouble to re-read my report with reference to the discussion on the treatment of metrorrhagia, he will find that there is nothing in it that could lead to the inference that the plan therein referred to was "presented" by me "as a novelty". All I said was, that among the various plans recommended, M. Panas had "adopted" that of "plugging the cavity of the neck of the womb", which, in my humble opinion, I considered the best. Thus it will be seen that M. Panas did not even claim priority; and if I referred to the plan in my letter, it was simply as reporter of the discussion on the subject—not to "present it as a novelty", but "to draw the attention of the profession to its thoroughly practical character". It was not my purpose to seek the priority of the plan in question; but as Dr. Bennet has claimed it, you have done him ample justice.—I am, sir, your obedient servant,
Paris, July 26th, 1879. YOUR PARIS CORRESPONDENT.

L. M. (Rotunda).—We believe that the examination test of the Obstetrical Society of London will answer the requirement of our correspondent. He can obtain the regulations by writing to the secretary.

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IDENTIFICATION OF THE PRINCE IMPERIAL.

IN our issue of the 12th instant, we alluded to the importance of the teeth as a means of identification of deceased persons, and incidentally mentioned the fact that the Prince Imperial had had four small cavities filled with gold in the first molar teeth by Dr. Rottenstein of Paris, and had met with a slight accident in April 1876 from a blow on the front teeth, which made it necessary to file the tooth a little in order to smooth the enamel. Since then, we have received a communication from Dr. Evans of Paris, denying the facts above stated, and saying that "no one but myself ever operated upon the teeth of the Prince, and that the statement in your *JOURNAL* is altogether wrong", and calling on us to make "immediate rectification". It is a matter of no importance to the public who filled the teeth of the Prince Imperial; but on receiving Dr. Evans's communication, we took some pains to verify the information on which our statement was based, and we have it from the best authority that in later years the Prince had had dental operations performed, not only by Dr. Rottenstein of Paris, but at his suggestion by Mr. Oakley Coles of Upper Wimpole Street, and by Mr. Bull, now of Brussels, and that the statements of Dr. Evans on this subject are founded on imperfect knowledge.

M.D. (Winford).—Mr. Field has recently published the second edition of a very handy and practical little manual of diseases of the ear.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.

THE following questions in Surgery were submitted to the candidates at the written examination for the diploma of membership on the 18th July. They were required to answer at least four (including one of the first two) of the six questions. 1. Describe the general arrangement of the cervical fascia, and point out how it determines the course of purulent collections in the neck. 2. After ligation of the common femoral artery, by what arteries would the collateral circulation be carried on? 3. Describe the anatomical conditions which characterise talipes varus and valgus. 4. Give the causes, effects, and treatment of acute periostitis. 5. Describe how you would investigate a case of retention of urine in the male, in order to discover its cause. 6. In what part of the lacrimal passages, and by what causes, may obstruction be produced? Describe the symptoms and treatment of such cases.

The following were the questions submitted in the Principles and Practice of Medicine on the 19th. 1. What are the causes, symptoms, and pathological consequences of abscess of the kidney? By what routes may such abscesses discharge themselves? 2. What are the causes of regurgitant mitral valve disease? How would you detect its presence? and what are its pathological and clinical consequences? 3. Describe the physiological and therapeutical effects of opium; and enumerate the pharmacopoeial preparations in which opium or morphia is present, stating their strength in opium or morphia, and their usual doses. Write a prescription for a child suffering from summer diarrhoea.

INSURANCE SOCIETIES AND DEATH-CERTIFICATES.

SIR,—Can an insurance society demand a certificate of cause of death without payment of fee? I have been referred to the family for my fee, the company considering themselves not liable, because not benefiting. An answer in the *JOURNAL* will oblige yours, etc., Y.

* * The only certificate which the medical attendant is bound to give is that for the use of the registrar for the purposes of burial.

TREATMENT OF NOCTURNAL CRAMP AND OF INTOLERABLE ITCHING.

R. D. begs to thank those gentlemen who kindly gave him suggestions as to the best means of relieving the above cases. No doubt Mr. Sarkis is right in stating that "the cause of the cramps is merely a mechanical one, due to pressure of the gravid uterus on the lumbar plexus; nevertheless, trying to sleep on either side or in the prone position did not prevent the occurrence of cramp. No means which R. D. tried were entirely successful; but one which did to a great extent lessen the frequency of the cramps he would recommend to L.R.C.S.I. in preference to resting content with the *happy thought* that time will cure: it is, that after the patient has retired to her bed, each limb (if the cramp occur in both) shall be raised for a few minutes and smoothed upwards, with the palm of the hand, from the toes to the groin. Whether the relief thus obtained is due to lessening of the engorgement of the veins of the lower extremities, R. D. does not pretend to say; but he is certain that in this instance and in others he has afforded relief to nocturnal cramp occurring during pregnancy by this means, and by raising the foot of the bed.

Intolerable itching in a case of jaundice from malignant disease was not at all relieved by the use of jaborandi, suggested by Dr. Douglas MacLagan. The itching was as great by day as at night; and morphia (suggested by Mr. Sarkis) only benefited for an hour or two. This patient has since died, and the jaundice was found to be due to obstruction of the common bile-duct by malignant disease of the head of the pancreas and the glands surrounding it, and with secondary growths in the liver.

THE ROLL OF HONOUR.

SIR,—It has occurred to me that a complete and well authenticated "list of those who lose their lives prematurely in the exercise of our profession as well as in preparing for it" would at times be of the greatest use in influencing public opinion in our favour.

The list should include only those who have succumbed to risks to which the general public are not, or only slightly, exposed; and should be made as far as possible a measure of the dangers voluntarily incurred by those who devote themselves to the art of healing.

Perhaps neither private corporations nor the Medical Council can be expected to keep such a record. It would be, I venture to suggest, an object worthy of the attention of the British Medical Association to preserve the names of those who have thus fallen in the cause of humanity. Verification of published statements would only be required to the extent of preventing the general accuracy of this list from being impugned.

I leave it for your consideration whether such a record ought to be kept by the Association of which I am A UNIT.

* * We should be glad to see a Committee appointed to consider and report on this subject.

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33, Dean Street, Soho, W., July 31st, 1879.		JOSÉPH ROGERS.

M.R.C.S. (Derby).—We do not understand how a medical practitioner can be said to consult with a pharmaceutical chemist because he is seen riding in a coach with him; but we would suggest that if our correspondent think there is any serious ground for his complaint, he should bring the matter under the notice of the Council of the Branch. It is obviously too complicated a matter to be investigated elsewhere than on the spot.

A CENTENARIAN.

SIR,—If Dr. Woodward saw my letter which you kindly printed last week, he will perhaps endeavour to obtain the particulars which alone make the case of Mrs. Hartshorne interesting. Dr. Woodward says her age was "undoubtedly one hundred years and eleven months, and it was generally understood that it was a year more than this". It is these general understandings which throw a doubt upon cases of exceptional longevity. The baptismal certificate is the only conclusive evidence.—Your obedient servant, J. 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*; *The Sussex Daily News*; *The Liverpool Mercury*; *The Banffshire Journal*; *The Newport and Market Drayton Advertiser*; *The North Wales Guardian*; etc.

* * We shall be greatly obliged if correspondents forwarding newspapers will kindly mark the passages to which it is desired to direct attention.

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