

## Fetus and Placenta

**Pathophysiology of Gestation.** Vol. 2 Fetal-Placental Disorders. Nicholas S. Assali. (Pp. 357; \$25.) Academic Press. 1972.

Research in the biological sciences these past ten to fifteen years has made notable contributions to knowledge of the scientific basis of human reproduction. This second part of a three-volume treatise forms an excellent postgraduate reference book, for the editor and his collaborators have selected very well and most critically from the vast world-wide literature now available.

The first chapter covers disorders of placental transfer and deals not only with the physiological processes involved but also

with the clinical implications of placental dysfunction and "small for gestational age" babies. In addition, the various physiological and pharmacological tests used to determine placental function are critically examined. The second chapter deals with placental endocrine function and includes an assessment of the various methods used to study placental hormone production. Due attention is paid to the clinical implications of various patterns of placental production of progesterone and polypeptide hormones. The increasing importance of amniotic fluid studies is recognized in Chapter 3, with sections on fluid volume and the constitution and dynamics of the fluid constituents.

Recent work on the relationship between amniotic fluid constituents and the gestational age of the fetus is well presented and reviewed. The following chapter is concerned with genetic factors affecting fetal growth and development and with the early recognition of chromosomal abnormalities. In the final chapter there is an account of the way in which environmental factors can produce fetal abnormalities, and possible means of prevention are discussed.

Each chapter has an extensive list of references to the relevant literature and a helpful feature is the author index at the end of the book.

J. K. RUSSELL

## Skin Diseases under the Microscope

**An Introduction to the Diagnostic Histopathology of the Skin.** J. A. Milne, F.R.C.P. (Pp. 363; £9.) Edward Arnold. 1972.

This is not a textbook of skin pathology, nor is it a reference book or an atlas. It is rather a benchbook for day-to-day assistance in the diagnosis of skin lesions by histological examination. It is profusely illustrated by crisp black and white photomicrographs,

which are of course far more valuable for the purposes of diagnosis and comparison than colour pictures. In view of the non-descript nature of much skin pathology the author's task is sometimes hard, but in many places, as in his account of the Kveim reaction, the textual remarks are very helpful. In addition, the reader receives a firm impression of the handing on of hard-won personal experience. The book will not

satisfy the experienced skin pathologist, but it should prove very useful to the less specialized pathologist who has to look at biopsy specimens of skin and make up his mind about them. It should be equally valuable to the dermatologist who wishes to learn about the histology of the lesions he diagnoses and treats.

W. G. SPECTOR

## Medicine in South Africa

**South Africa: Its Medical History 1652-1898.** A Medical and Social Study. Percy Ward Laidler, D.P.H., and Michael Gelfand, C.B.E., F.R.C.P. (Pp. 536; price not given). C. Struik (Pty) Ltd., Cape Town, 1971.

By the time of his death in 1945 Dr. P. W. Laidler had published a number of important books and papers on the medical and social history of South Africa and, in addition, he left a rough draft manuscript which forms the basis of the present work. In 1964 Professor Gelfand was asked to undertake its preparation for the press, a task which involved not merely editing but considerable further research. He has performed a valuable service to historical scholarship, for clearly Laidler had accumulated a mass of most interesting detail derived to a great extent from the archives of Cape Town, early South African newspapers and pamphlets, various Government reports, and

so on—material not readily available elsewhere in the world.

The early history of South Africa is linked in an unusually intimate way with its medical history. The original purpose of European settlement at the Cape of Good Hope was to provide a place where the sick from the crews of Dutch East Indiamen might be put ashore and cared for, and the leader of the first Dutch settlers who landed at Table Bay in 1652, Johann van Riebeeck, was a barber-surgeon turned merchant. Among the original party of 126 there were two surgeons, as well as van Riebeeck himself, a "sick comforter," and several barber apprentices. But Laidler and Gelfand's book is very much more than a history of medicine in South Africa, being replete as well with much detailed information of social, economic, and political history. Indeed, the general reader may be overwhelmed by the bulk of factual material—population statistics, ration scales, hospital inventories, tables of

wages, prices etc—but it is all invaluable to the serious historian. The book contains much biographical material, and many an unknown name now has its small place in history. Major figures are dealt with in the text, but a most useful feature is the brief biographical notes inserted with the references at the ends of the chapters. The illustrations likewise include many portraits which could hardly be found elsewhere.

The period covered in this book spans about 250 years of South African history from the landing of van Riebeeck with his two surgical colleagues in 1652 to about 1897, when the South African Medical Association boasted 250 members. It is hardly possible in the space of a brief review to indicate the scope of the narrative, but it is unusually wide for a work of medical history and is all the more fascinating for that.

W. D. FOSTER

## SELECTED NEW TITLES

**The Pneumonias.** Hobart A. Reimann, M.D. (Pp. 215; £7.40.) Adam Hilger. 1972.

**Tumors of Bone and Cartilage.** Atlas of Tumor Pathology 2nd series. Fascicle 5. Harlan J. Spjut, M.D., Howard D. Dorfman, M.D., (Pp. 454; Price not given) American Registry of Pathology, Washington. 1972.

**Mechanisms Regulating the Discharge of Motoneurons.** Ragnar Granit, M.D. (Pp. 78; £2.50.) Liverpool University Press. 1972.

**Colour Atlas of Histopathology.** Revised edn. R. C. Curran, F.R.C.Path., F.R.S. (Edin.) (Pp. 94; £5.75.) Harvey Miller and Medcalf. 1972.

**Operative Anatomy of the Thorax.** Edward A. Edwards, M.D., Paul D. Malone, A.B., and John J. Collins, Jr., M.D. (Pp. 246; £7.90.) Kimpton. 1972.

**Blood Transfusion in Clinical Medicine.** 5th edn. P. L. Mollison, F.R.S. (Pp. 830; £8.) Blackwell. 1972.

**The Use of the Scanning Electron Microscope.** J. W. S. Hearle, J. T. Sparrow, and P. M. Cross. (Pp. 278; £8.80.) Pergamon. 1972.

**Functional Anatomy and Histology of the Lung.** Chuzo Nagaishi, M.D. (Pp. 295; \$49.50.) University Park Press. 1972.

**Zinsser Microbiology** 15th edn. Ed. Wolfgang K. Joklik, D.Phil., and David T. Smith, M.D. (Pp. 1120; £23.75.) Appleton-Century-Crofts, New York. 1972.

Evans, Penelope J. L. Everill, R. J. S. Fairburn, R. J. Finch, T. S. Fletcher, M. A. Flynn, D. W. Foreman, Gillian Foy, N. H. Gampier, A. H. Gayer, A. K. Ghosh, R. G. Gill, Janet L. B. Gillespie, N. W. Gillies, Tai H. Goh, Jane F. Goodwin, S. K. Graham, Katherine M. Grimshaw, Sipra Guha, Laxmi Gupta, Urmila Gupta, Fizza F. Hakim, N. L. Halpe, K. N. Hambly, Susan M. Hammond, Elizabeth F. Hampson, S. J. Harris, D. Hartley, Sylvia M. Hawkes, N. J. Healey, A. L. Heath, P. J. M. Heeley, S. M. Hempling, R. W. Henshaw, G. B. Hey, Helena M. Higgs, Stephanie C. Hill, W. J. Hindle, J. N. Hookinson, Jean P. A. Hodson, Vivien J. I. Holgate, G. J. Hollycock, K. Hoyle, R. P. Husemeyer, B. K. D. Huss, Helen C. Hutchinson, E. Inglis, Shing K. Ip, Christine M. Ivory, Raana N. Jamelle, Jillian A. Jellicoe, Jennifer R. Jenkins, D. H. Jobson, Helen E. Joebury, Denise M. Johnson, D. R. H. Jones, I. N. Jones, N. J. Jones, Adeline U. Joshua, Vijaya G. Kanegonkar, R. D. Keir, P. C. Kennerley, J. A. Kerr, R. G. Kerr, D. Kewn, Mar. Khin, Padmavathi Kirubakaran, Susan V. Kneale, Surmila Kolbandari, T. Kondratowicz, A. Kornfeld, J. S. C. Lane, P. W. F. Lane, R. A. Lawless, J. S. C. Lee, P. G. Lee, Wing K. Lee, R. J. Leete, Catherine M. Legg, D. A. R. Lewis, J. M. Lewis, A. C. K. Lockie, D. T. Lord, D. H. McFadyen, P. P. McGavigan, D. McGlashon, Alison M. MacGregor, J. D. McHardy, C. J. McHenry, B. McNroy, R. A. McKenzie, G. P. C. McLaren, Sheelagh H. McMorran, Karalyn E. McL. McNeil, P. J. McWatt, Joyce E. B. Madigane, A. A. Majewski, J. P. Malcolm, G. Mallick, K. F. Mann, Heather E. Martin, R. P. Marwood, Muneera B. Masood, N. D. Maurice, Diane M. Meeham, Parayath K. Menon, Diane M. Miller, J. D. T. Miller, R. D. Mody, J. K. Monro, P. A. R. Morley, C. D. E. Morris, P. J. Morris, R. D. Morrison, R. M. Morrison, J. M. Morsman, P. G. Murdin, Satya R. Nag-Chaudhury, Elizabeth Nainan, R. W. Neale, M. R. Newby, W. N. Nobbs, Patricia M. Norris, Elizabeth A. Nuttall, Eileen P. O'Kane, Adebola T. Okoisor, R. J. Olliver, Pamela A. Owens, R. J. Palmer, Jyotsna Parekh, R. D. Parkin, D. W. Parkinson, Divyabala G. Patel, R. H. Pawson, C. J. Pengilly, J. R. Perry, Eileen E. Pike, R. B. Plummer, Judith M. Pusey, S. Omar-uz-Zaman, Kulkarni Raghavendra, Angela H. Rawling, Christine P. V. Reid, Jennifer K. Richmond, G. G. Riddick, J. K. Roberts, I. F. Robinson, I. W. Rodrick, A. C. Ruddle, Navaretnam Sahatheva Rajan, I. M. St. George, R. A. Savage, R. H. Savage, E. T. Scrase, D. T. Selvadurai, Pamela J. Seymour, Natverial K. Shah, J. W. Shepherd, B. A. Shevlin, Heather G. Sims Williams, G. Sing, Debi P. Sinha, Mary R. Smith, Vicki J. Smith, Anne G. Stacey, Jillian K. V. Stanley-Jones, A. J. Style, S. K. Sullivan, Patricia A. Sutherland, Margaret C. Tansley, A. K. Tanswell, S. K. Thomas, G. J. Timmas, Joanna L. Towill, C. D. Travis, Gillian M. Vanhegan, Alison E. Wager, A. K. Y. Walker, G. R. Walker, N. Walker, T. A. N. Waller, A. Walsh, G. J. Walsh, Amanda G. Ward, Angela Watson, J. M. Watt, B. R. Watterson, Gillian K. Webster, C. N. Westwood, J. B. White, Frances E. Whiting, M. W. Whitley, K. W. Whittlesey, R. Willcox, D. G. Williams, Penelope S. Williams, A. W. Willis, Jennifer M. Wintle, J. R. Wittchalls, C. P. Wong, C. Y. Wong, D. W. Wood, M. J. Woodman, C. P. Woodyard, G. J. Worrall, Heather J. M. Wynburne, Woon-Chi Yip.

#### FACULTY OF RADIOLOGISTS

The following candidates, having satisfied the examiners, have been admitted Fellows:

Radiodiagnosis.—M. F. Anderson, S. Barkat, P. J. Briens, Christine Butcher, A. T. Carty, B. V. Clegg, R. F. Colbert, Ann Diamond, A. W. Duncan, J. F. Dyet, W. T. Eason, A. R. Goldin, W. J. W. Greene, J. E. Houghton, F. M. Kelvin, L. R. Levin, V. L. McAllister, D. P. McCarthy, G. M. Macfie, A. Mackintosh, M. V. Merrick, M. P. Molloy, D. J. Nolan, W. J. Norman, P. F. Packer, G. J. S. Parkin, J. B. Patel, M. D. Rosewarne, K. J. Shah, Hilary S. Skene-Smith, L. B. Skerker, Joan Watters, D. J. Wilkinson, J. G. Williams, B. R. J. Williamson, G. R. Faithfull, P. A. G. Jackson, A. J. Kermond, F. J. Palmer, P. L., Sprague, D. R. Osborne.

The Rohan Williams prize has been awarded to Dr. P. L. Sprague (Perth, Australia).

Radiography.—Ratankumari S. Bundi, Eileen R. Busby, Margaret R. Sandland, W. M. Shehata, M. L. Sutton, D. R. Wigg.

The Rohan Williams medal has been awarded to Dr. M. L. Sutton (Hammersmith Hospital).

#### ROYAL COLLEGES OF PHYSICIANS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM

At a meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of London held on 26 October, at a meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh held on 2 November, and at a meeting of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow held on 6 November the following were elected members of the Royal Colleges of Physicians of the United Kingdom:

K. A. Abbas, O. El-D. Abdel-Aal, S. M. Ahuja, A. A. Ali, M. A. Ali, M. Aman, P. Li. Amlot, A. J. O. Antao, D. B. Appleton, M. M. Ashraf, Aung Tin, D. Bell, S. R. Benatar, B. K. Bhowmick, R. J. Bibby, J. G. Bissenden, Jean J. Bowyer, R. L. Brearley, D. S. K. Brookfield, P. Brown,

I. S. C. Bruce, E. G. Buckley, A. C. Burden, M. J. Burke, G. R. Caird, P. R. Callegari, Frances M. Calman, M. D. Catterall, T. L. Chambers, H. L. Chan, T. J. Charles, G. P. Choudhary, A. K. M. K. R. Chowdhury, C. R. A. Clarke, G. S. Clayden, Julie L. Cliff, A. G. Cohen, Jennifer E. Collins, Margaret K. Cook, J. Cowie, A. W. Craft, M. D. Crane, P. S. Crawley, J. M. Crosland, C. S. Croton, P. K. Datta, Ruth E. Day, Dharam Raj, I. MacG. Donaldson, S. Dorrett, M. W. Dronfield, E. W. Edghill, W. O. Egbuna, R. MacK. Ellis, P. G. Estcourt, Rosemary E. Evans, D. W. Felce, W. Fox-Russell, C. I. V. Franklin, P. S. Freedman, J. Frempong, R. J. Galvin, K. Ghose, A. K. Ghosh, S. Ghosh, M. A. Gormley, J. A. A. Govan, J. A. Grayburn, A. C. H. Green, D. M. Grennan, I. M. Guy, B. P. Halder, A. Hale, G. P. Hall, A. A. Hamam, H. H. Hanoman, P. R. Harding, A. R. W. Hatfield, G. B. Hayle, J. Herbert-Burns, M. R. Hetzel, D. J. Hibbert, A. G. Hibbe, J. D. Hill, G. W. Hillman, R. L.-K. Ho, H. J. F. Hodgson, P. J. A. Holt, M. A. Hossain, G. J. Huston, P. J. Hynes, A. A. Jackson, A.-R. A. Jandali, P. A. C. Julian, V. Kansal, C. Kennard, M. A. R. Khan, S. M. Khan, R. Kime, J. L. Kirkpatrick, R. K. Knight, S. Krishnakumar, B. C. Kundu, A. Latham, R. J. A. Lear, P. N. Leigh, A. G. Leitch, D. E. H. Llewellyn, N. Longhurst, J. S. Lyon, J. P. McClure, J. G. McGrath, N. McNeil, G. P. McNeil, J. D. G. Malone, A. R. Maryon-Davis, T. H. J. Matthews, Jeanette V. Meadow, Prafulla P. Mehrotra, Min-Naing, A. G. Mitchell, V. E. Mitchell, J. I. H. Mitcheson, J. C. Moorshead, Beryl Morgan, D. J. Moul, A. J. Moutant, C. D. Moyes, K. Muner, D. J. Murray-Bruce, C. F. V. Murray-Leslie, Goward S. S. Murthy, Shahla Nader-Espahani, Edina M. Nakiela, G. A. Nelsrop, M. I. Nissen, Anne-Marie Panting, S. Patel, I. C. Paterson, W. D. Paterson, C. R. Pennington, J. R. Ponsford, A. F. W. M. Pooler, A. S. Pwell, M. A. Pratt, T. B. Premph, F. Qader, T. I. Radhakrishnan, H. Rahman, J. R. S. Rendall, Suzanne I. Robertson, M. L. Robinson, S. H. Roussounis, N. Rutter, K. N. Sadhu, A. M. Saeed, M. R. Sage, Isabel M. Sanderson, S. Sanmugasantharam, T. P. C. Schofield, Jacqueline M. Scurlough, I. Segal, Carol A. Seymour, B. K. Sharma, Diana M. Shelton, A. M. M. Shepherd, P. J. Shoenberg, Amira H. Shubbar, M. A. Siddiqui, J. H. Silas, C. N. Sinha, P. W. Skerritt, R. H. Smith, A. V. Soler, J. I. G. Strang, Santha T. Subrahmanyam, P. Sweeney, C. A. Sykes, L. S. Taiz, D. Taylor, Dolly Thomas, K. S. To, J. J. Turner, C. J. Tyrrell, J. S. Uff, S. J. Urbanaki, Mary F. Walker, M. H. Wansbrough-Jones, P. J. Webb, N. G. Weinstein, C. de B. White, T. J. Wilkin, L. H. P. Williams, K. J. Willis, Gillian M. Wilson, K. S. Wilson, Oi-Pin Wong, F. M. Wood, J. Woodland, D. M. Wright, Dianne Wright.

#### ROYAL COLLEGE OF PSYCHIATRISTS

The following have been elected Members:

M. I. Akhter, R. T. Allen, J. M. Annear, B. H. Anstee, J. T. Antony, F. T. Antun, M. Atkins, M. O. Aveline, A. R. Bailey, C. B. Ballinger, N. Baloch, W. P. Bant, V. T. Baraniecka, S. P. Baxter, H. L. Behr, E. M. Bell, P. Berks, F. Berry, A. B. Bevan-Jones, M. Bhakta, A. M. Bilal, E. Bindman, H. Biswas, S. Biswas, D. J. Black, D. F. M. Black, E. E. Blackstock, S. Bloch, S. M. Blunden, C. L. Brewer, G. W. K. Bridge, C. S. Britten, B. M. Bromham, D. J. Brooksbank, F. R. B. Brown, A. W. Burke, A. J. Burnfield, D. M. Burton, P. J. Callaghan, P. L. Campbell, J. Candy, I. R. Card, A. G. Carroll, C. Chakraborty, S. K. Chakravarti, R. F. Chambers, M. B. G. T. Chapman, P. A. L. Chapple, W. J. Charles, K. T. Chee, M. N. Cheng, C. M. T. R. Chinniah, Y. S. Christopher, I. Mc. Clark, N. Mc. Clark, J. Close, A. S. Cockburn, F. H. Connolly, T. A. Conroy, C. G. Conway, A. J. Cordingley, A. D. Cox, E. J. Dabbs, R. C. Dassanayake, G. Davies, T. G. Davies, N. M. Desai, M. Mc. Dewar, H. J. L. Dickinson, P. R. Dove, S. K. Dutta, P. R. Eastwood, P. G. Eames, W. R. Eaton, C. C. Enfield, M. M. Feldman, S. J. Finley, G. S. M. Fitzpatrick, K. G. Flack, P. M. Fleming, R. Fleming, K. W. Forth, R. Framrose, R. A. Franklin, R. M. Fraser, A. R. M. Freeman, U. de H. Freeston, K. J. F. Friend, A. H. Fry, A. J. Gardner, R. Gardner, D. Gaspar, J. George, F. A. M. Ghali, P. Goddard, J. D. Gomersall, A. Mc. Gordon, M. H. Greenwood, A. Guthrie, P. D. V. Gwinner, R. J. Hafner, C. V. Haldipur, H. A. Hamed, E. M. Hamill, E. J. Harbott, T. W. Harding, B. B. Harris, T. E. Harris, J. G. Hebditch, T. P. Herriott, H. I. Hershon, B. N. Herzberg, P. D. J. Hettiaratchy, H. R. Hewland, D. Hide, J. Higgins, E. P. Hilary-Jones, D. Hollander, D. H. G. Hopkins, M. E. Horsley, L. K. G. Hsu, J. I. Hudson, T. Huq, N. Husain, M. F. Hussain, F. M. Hutton, J. M. Hyland, H. U. Ihezue, J. M. Inward, A. B. Jack, E. B. A. Jacobs, E. C. W. James, N. Mc. James, V. E. James, J. C. F. Jayasuriya, J. E. Jeans, B. John, F. A. Judelson, R. S. Kalucy, R. H. Karelse, N. D. Katara, S. P. Keane, H. B. Kelly, P. F. Kennedy, M. S. Khan, D. J. King, G. K. J. King, V. R. Kirubakaran, A. M. Kitumba, H. M. Klar, D. R. Knight, T. Kolakowska, R. Kumar, A. Landa-Font, I. R. Lanman, W. R. Layland, F. J. Leigh, G. W. Libby, C. R. Lindsay, M. S. Lipsedge, D. O. Lloyd, W. P. Lopes, F. M. Lotaief, L. Low-Beer, R. N. Lucas, D. J. McAleer, P. F. McCance, A. C. Macfie,

J. N. M. McIntyre, J. A. C. MacKeith, R. S. MacKinnon, M. O. McLachlan, N. I. McPhail, A. Madan, B. D. Maguire, A. Majid, A. A. Malik, A. H. Mann, V. Maragakis, E. Mateu-Lopez, A. B. Mawson, M. J. Michalopoulos, M. Millington, P. Mills, J. F. E. Moody, V. H. Morcos, D. J. Morris, M. H. Mubbashar, J. Muhanji, B. J. Muir, J. A. Mullaney, G. E. Mullett, W. Murdoch, J. B. Murphy, J. Murray, A. L. Mutchell, B. R. S. Nakra, T. U. K. Nasir, M. H. Nelson, A. R. Nicol, R. Ngura, D. Nugent, C. M. H. Nunn, M. M. O'Connor, M. Okasha, D. P. Ollerenshaw, P. C. Olley, L. C. Ooi, E. P. Owens, R. A. Oxlade, V. R. Pandita-Gunawardena, W. L. Pang, P. Partovitabar, R. P. Patel, A. Pearce, P. E. Pencheon, E. B. Petersen, T. A. Phillips, B. Pinkey, M. R. Pokorny, A. J. Poole, J. C. Powell, A. Prabhakar, M. J. Price, S. A. Qadeer, M. Ravey, A. H. Reid, H. Richards, N. S. Richman, M. W. Riddall, Z. A. Rizvi, J. A. Robertson, J. R. Robertson, M. F. Robertson, J. N. Rogers, R. A. B. Rorie, W. M. Rostron, M. A. Rowton-Lee, J. A. O. Russell, E. S. M. Saad, B. I. Sacks, A. E. A. A. Salama, M. H. Salasa, S. A. H. Saleh, C. R. Samanta, K. Sathananthan, S. Sathananthan, N. Savia, L. G. Scarth, S. Scicluna, J. A. Shaby, N. Shanmuganathan, V. C. Shannon, V. N. Sharma, A. R. Siddiqui, P. H. Sills, G. Silverman, H. R. Simons, H. S. Sinharay, D. G. Mc. Slyfield, B. A. Snowden, S. Soni, M. P. Spellman, D. J. Spencer, K. F. Standage, D. Steinberg, R. S. Stern, M. P. Sternberg, W. A. Stewart, G. G. Stimpson, D. E. Suleman, M. H. Sunderland, I. H. Syed, R. L. Symonds, G. H. A. Tate, E. R. Taws, T. C. Taylor, G. Theano, I. R. Thorner, D. F. Torley, C. P. Treves Brown, S. Trivedi, R. C. True, S. P. Tyrer, W. Waheed, S. S. A. Waldenberg, M. Mc. Ward, M. M. Warsi, K. M. Wernaby, R. D. Watson, J. A. G. Watt, D. J. S. West, J. E. West, R. T. White, R. N. Wijesuriya, P. Williams, C. H. Wilson, S. N. Wolkind, D. R. Wod, E. P. Worrall, J. G. Wright, M. D. Young, R. E. Young, Y. O. Younis, H. A. Youssef, H. Zeitlin.

#### APPOINTMENTS

MANCHESTER REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.—Dr. D. M. Forsyth (consultant physician in geriatric medicine, South Cheshire group); Dr. Z. A. Sayed (consultant psychiatrist, Ashton, Hyde and Glossop group); Dr. D. Morrison (consultant in chemical measurement, North-east Manchester group); Dr. J. B. Burn (consultant paediatrician, Bolton and District group); Mr. R. W. K. Neill (consultant general surgeon, East Cheshire group); Dr. Patricia M. White-side-Jones (consultant in charge of emergency department, Leighton Hospital, near Crewe); Dr. T. Ashcroft (consultant pathologist, morbid anatomy, South Cheshire group).

NORTH-WEST METROPOLITAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL BOARD.—Mr. K. M. Esah (consultant traumatic and orthopaedic surgeon, Hillingdon Hospital); Dr. B. A. Snowden (consultant psychiatrist, Marlborough Day Hospital).

#### Corrections

##### Natural History of Patients with X-ray-negative Dyspepsia in General Practice

In the article by Dr. D. W. Gregory and his colleagues (2 December, p. 519) in the summary "85 of them (76%) were symptomatically improved," should read "65 of them (76%) were symptomatically improved."

#### Notice to Authors

When original articles and letters for publication are not submitted exclusively to the *British Medical Journal* this must be stated. Accepted articles may subsequently be selected for publication in the North American monthly edition.

Correspondence on editorial business should be addressed to the Editor, *British Medical Journal*, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, London WC1H 9JR. Telephone: 01-387 4499. Telegrams: *Aitiology, London, W.C.1.*

Authors wanting reprints of their articles should notify the Publishing Manager, B.M.A. House, Tavistock Square, WC1H 9JR, on receipt of proofs.

#### © British Medical Journal 1972

All Rights Reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise, without the prior permission of the *British Medical Journal*.