

searching investigation into *all* the causes and attendant circumstances of a state of things which all deplore, and from which we should rejoice to be delivered. Our interests loudly call for inquiry, and the *honour* of our profession demands it.

It was with no inconsiderable degree of pleasure that a month or two ago we observed a letter signed "Scrutator" bearing upon this question, and an able, but not conclusive leading article, about the same time. Since then, however, the subject has been suffered to die away until your last number appeared, containing a "Report of a Meeting of Poor-Law Union Officers." It is to be hoped that this will prove a fresh occasion for you to buckle on your armour afresh, and to stand forth in all the strength of a righteous cause, as the champion of the oppressed.

Before I conclude, allow me respectfully to suggest the following query:—"How far is the profession itself to blame for the low and degraded position in which its members too often find themselves placed?"

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,
PRÆMIUM.

Manchester, November 8, 1847.

Medical Intelligence.

PROGRESS OF THE CHOLERA.

The cholera is stated to have reached St. Petersburg and Cronstadt, and has also appeared, but in a very mild form, at Dunaburg, about forty miles from the frontier of Prussia.

APPOINTMENTS.

Thomas Shapter, Esq., M.D., has been elected Physician to the Devon and Exeter Hospital, in the room of Dr. Blackall, resigned.

George Johnson, Esq., M.D., Medical Tutor of King's College, London, has been appointed Assistant Physician to King's College Hospital.

Edward Cock, Esq., has been appointed one of the Surgeons of Guy's Hospital, in the room of Mr. John Morgan, deceased.

Sir Henry Marsh, Bart., late President of the College of Physicians in Ireland, has been appointed to the Irish Board of Health, to succeed Sir Robert Kane, who has resigned.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Friday, November 19th:—J. P. Teebay; W. Pearce; G. R. Pemberton; W. Fineham; J. W. Elliott; W. J. Edwards; G. Raper; J. Urquhart; J. F. Uniacke; G. H. King; N. D. S. Wallich; T. Green.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Friday, November 26th:—R. Dowell; H. W. H. Richardson; M. T. Mason; T. H. Mitchell; J. Marshall; E. Stride; G. T. Banks; J. Robinson; T. Smith.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES.

Gentlemen admitted Licentiates, Thursday, November 11th, 1847:—Walter Thompson, London; William Braithwaite, Plymouth; William Pearce, Bingley, Yorkshire; Thomas Watson, Bristol; Charles Pratt; John Braxtor Hicks, Lymington; Stewart Blacker Roberts; John Glendarnie Winstone, London; Benjamin French, Neath; James Lardner Green, Holywell.

Thursday, November 18th:—Robert Walmisley Baxter, Bromley, Kent; Benjamin Kealley, Westminster; John Beecroft, Ely; Robert Alexander Wm. Westley, Bombay.

OBITUARY.

Died, November 10th, at Ardee, Felix M'Donnell, Esq., M.D.

November 11th, aged 52, at Berlin, of apoplexy, John Frederick Dieffenbach. This celebrated surgeon was born at Konigsburg, in the year 1795, and was originally a student of theology. He entered the medical profession after having served as a volunteer during the war in 1814 and 1815, and became a pupil of Dupuytren, at the Hotel Dieu, Paris, in the year 1822.

November 14th, at Dundalk, of fever, Lawrence Martin, Esq., M.D.

November 15th, aged 75, Joseph Toulmin, Esq., M.R.C.S., of Hackney.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

On Indigestion: its Pathology and Treatment, by the Local Application of Uniform and Continuous Heat and Moisture. By James Arnott, M.D., Physician to the Brighton Dispensary. London: Churchill 1847. 8vo. pp. 107.

An Essay on the Diseases of the Jaws, and their Treatment. By Leonard Koecker, Surgeon-Dentist, &c. &c. New Edition. By J. B. Mitchell, M.D., Surgeon-Dentist. London: Churchill. 1847. 8vo. pp. 94.

Inaugural Address of the Pharmaceutical Institution. By Samuel Wright, M.D., F.R.S.S.A., Professor of Clinical Medicine in Queen's College; Physician to the Queen's Hospital, &c. Birmingham: 1847. pp. 14.

The Calendar of the Queen's College, Birmingham. 1848. Edited by the Dean of the Faculty. Birmingham. Tonks. 1848. pp. 110.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from Dr. J. Y. Simpson; Mr. C. R. Bree; Mr. C. J. Thicke; Mr. Bottomley; Dr. Oke; E. L.; the Sheffield Medical Society; Mr. Crompton.

The important paper on "Hernia," by "a Retired Surgeon of the Irish College," has been unavoidably delayed, but will appear in the next number.

Mr. Crompton's communication was received too late for insertion in the present number.