

Medical Intelligence.

ISOPATHY.

Another species of quackery has made its appearance in Germany, and is now becoming known under the name of Isopathy. We allude to it as one of the passing medical follies of the day. A Dr. Hermann is the Hahnemann or Priessnitz of the new system, which derives its name from the doctrine that the disease of any organ is to be cured medicinally by the use of the analogous organ of some healthy animal. Thus, in diseases of the liver, liver is prescribed; and of the brain, brains; (*calves' brains* we presume;) and the same plan is pursued with the kidneys, spleen, and other viscera.

As it might not be convenient for every individual to eat the substance of the organ, Dr. Hermann professes to make tinctures thereof, and thus to exhibit concentrated essences. Like all new doctrines where imposition on the public is likely to be remunerative, it has made a certain number of converts, who call themselves Isopathists. It is also reported that many radical cures have been effected by this system!—*Medical Gazette*, April 7th.

APPOINTMENT.

James Dixon, Esq., F.R.C.S., has been appointed Assistant-Surgeon at St. Thomas's Hospital, in the room of Mr. B. Travers, junior, resigned.

UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

Mr. Samuel Cooper has resigned as Professor of Surgery, at University College, London.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Friday, March 31st:—J. Westwood; J. Hebden; J. Baker; C. Walker; E. D. Silver; R. S. Ryan; C. C. Bramwell; W. P. Roberts; F. Pearson; W. R. Raby; N. Bethune.

The following Members of the College having undergone the necessary examinations, were admitted Fellows at the meeting of the Council, on the 12th instant:—Isaac Baker Brown, Oxford Square; Charles Timins, Hon. East India Company's Service, Madras Establishment; William Guest Carpenter, West Street, Finsbury Circus.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES.

Gentlemen admitted Licentiates, Thursday, March 23rd, 1848:—Charles Sharp Smith, Fulbreck, Grantham; Thomas Knox Kelly, Liverpool; Christopher Irving, West Burton, Yorkshire.

Thursday, March 31st:—John Mussendine Camplin, Islington; John Farmery Ollard, Wisbeach; William Mutrie Fairbrother, East Dereham, Norfolk.

Thursday, April 6th:—Samuel Tayleur Gwynn, Wem; Thomas Beavan Rake, Shaftesbury; John William Harper, Hitcham, Suffolk; Joseph Lawrence, Bath; Joseph Hinton, Bristol; William Rowland Raby, Birkenhead; Samuel William Aldred, Great Yarmouth; Hartley, Samuel Laycock, Liverpool; Thomas Armstrong, Brecon; Wm. Benham, London.

OBITUARY.

Died, March 7th, in Plymouth Grove, aged 74, James Davenport Hulme, M.D., of Ball Haye, in the county of Stafford.

March 12th, at Chester, aged 65, Edward Hogg, M.D., formerly of Henden, Middlesex.

March 29th, in the Edgeware Road, James Briggs, Esq., Member of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, and Senior Surgeon of the Lock Hospital.

March 31st, of fever, George Mahon, M.D., Medical Officer of the Eyrecourt Dispensary.

April 6th, at Salisbury, aged 69, Henry Coates, Esq., F.R.C.S., Consulting Surgeon to the Salisbury Infirmary, and a Member of the Council of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association.

April 8th, aged 84, John Welbank, Esq., M.R.C.S.

Lately, aged 82, M. Pierre Joseph Romain Cazenave, Surgeon-Major of the National Guard, Paris, &c.

Lately, of fever, Edward McGrath, M.D., Assistant-Physician to the Workhouse, Scariff.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Principles of Medicine, &c. By Charles J. B. Williams, M.D., F.R.S., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Professor of the Principles and Practice of Medicine, and of Clinical Medicine, and First Physician to the Hospital, University College, London, &c. &c. Second edition, considerably enlarged. London: Churchill. 1848. 8vo. pp. 538.

A Discourse on the Asiatic Cholera, and its Relations to some other Epidemics, &c. By Thomas Henry Starr, M.D., Senior Physician to the Warwick Dispensary. London: Churchill. 1848. 8vo. pp. 95.

Portraits of Diseases of the Skin. By Erasmus Wilson, F.R.S. Fasc. I. and II. London: Churchill. 1848. Folio. Coloured plates.

Anæsthesia in Surgery: Does it increase or decrease the Mortality attendant upon Surgical Operations? By J. Y. Simpson, M.D., F.R.C.S., Professor of Midwifery in the University of Edinburgh, &c. (From the *Monthly Journal of Medical Science*.) Edinburgh: Sutherland and Knox. 1848. 8vo., pp. 16.

Notes on the Anæsthetic Effects of Chloride of Hydrocarbon, Nitrate of Ethyle, Benzin, Aldehyde, and Bi-Sulphuret of Carbon. By J. Y. Simpson, M.D., &c. &c. pp. 8.

Medicine an Art, and its Truths to be attained. By Thomas Shapter, M.D., Physician to the Devon and Exeter Hospital, &c. &c. London: Churchill. 1848.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from B. B. H.; An Old Member of the Association; Mr. Newnham; J. Fairplay, M.D.; Dr. J. Duncan; Dr. Paxton; Mr. Worthington; Mr. C. W. Steel.

Extra L.M. Lond.—The case is under the consideration of the Council of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association, and will be represented in the proper quarter.