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It is also proposed to present Dr. Conolly with a piece of plate, should the funds permit after defraying the expenses of the painting and engraving.

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JOHN FORBES,  
RICHARD FRANKUM, } Secretaries.

London, Aug. 3rd, 1850.

[The list of subscribers will be found in our advertising columns.—ED. JOURN.]

## Medical Intelligence.

### PHYSICIAN'S CHARGES.

CHELMSFORD COUNTY COURT, OCTOBER 3.—BEFORE  
WM. GURDON, ESQ., M.A., JUDGE.

*Octavius Pritchard v. Maria Warmington.*—This action (which was tried by a jury) was for £25. 4s. for medical attendance and prescriptions for the defendant, at Hylands, the seat of J. Attwood, Esq., with whom she lives as housekeeper. The case was watched with much interest by the profession, a large number of whom from the town and neighbourhood were present.

Mr. Duffield represented the plaintiff; and Mr. Durrant, the defendant, who had paid £12 of the sum claimed into the Court.

It appeared from the evidence of Dr. Pritchard, who practices in Chelmsford as a consulting surgeon, under a Scotch diploma, that he had attended the defendant occasionally at her own request from March, 1847, to the month of May in the present year; but in April, 1847, a settlement took place, and the plaintiff's charge (five guineas for about the same number of visits) was paid by the defendant without objection; by this payment, it was urged on the part of the plaintiff, that the defendant had admitted the reasonableness of the charge, and bound herself in a contract to pay after the same rate the present bill, which was for attendance extending over a period of three years: the total number of visits had been thirty-two, but certain deductions were made by the plaintiff, on account of his having on some occasions been sent for without expense of hire. The bill thus reduced was presented in May last, since which time the plaintiff, annoyed at the objections which had been made to it, had ceased to attend the defendant.

For the defence it was stated that the first account for £5 was for ten visits, and that therefore the plaintiff was only entitled to 10s. a journey on the present amount. His qualification as consulting surgeon was also disputed; and no less than six members of the profession, resident in Chelmsford, were called to prove their usual charges under similar circumstances. Some

of them considered that 7s. for each visit (without the preparation of medicine) was an adequate remuneration: while another thought 10s. would not be too much; and the last gentleman called (Dr. Bird) who has been since attending Miss Warmington, was of opinion, for a person of long standing and experience in the profession, a guinea for each journey would be only a fair remuneration.

His Honour carefully and at great length summed up the evidence, leaving it for the Jury to give a verdict for the amount claimed, if they were of opinion that a guinea per journey had been paid on the first occasion: or of £16, if they relied on the evidence that only 10s. had been paid.—The Jury consulted for about a quarter of an hour, and then gave a verdict for £22.

The case, which occupied more than six hours, did not conclude till nearly seven o'clock. In the award of costs, two guineas were allowed to the plaintiff's solicitor.—*Essex Herald.*

### CONVICTION OF A FEMALE PRACTITIONER.

At the Stirling Court of Justiciary, a female medical practitioner was sentenced to ten years' transportation, for inflicting injuries upon a pregnant woman, which terminated in her death.

### THE ADMINISTRATION OF NARCOTICS TO INFANTS.

The disclosures recently made at Manchester, in reference to the practice of administering narcotics to infants whose mothers are engaged in factory labour, have led to a movement for the establishment of public nurseries at which the children may be deposited during the day-time. A meeting for the promotion of this object, held last week, was attended by the Bishop of Manchester and several of the clergy of that town.

### QUEEN'S COLLEGE, BIRMINGHAM.

On Tuesday the annual meeting for the distribution of prizes in the above College took place in the Lecture Room of the Institution in the presence of a numerous and highly-respectable company. Lord Lyttelton in the chair.—The Rev. Vaughan Thomas presented Messrs. Roland and Blake with the Warneford gold medals for essays.—An extra prize was then presented by Vice-Principal Chancellor Law to Mr. Lowe.—The following prizes were then given in succession by J. Piercy, Esq., the Noble President, and the Rev. Prebendary Gray:—*Gold Medal*: For regularity of attendance at lectures and examinations, and good conduct during three years, Higgs.—*The Warneford Scholarships*: Franks, Wilkinson.—*Professors' Medals*:—*Anatomy*: First medal and certificate, Lowe; second certificate æq. Darwen, Freer.—*Surgery*: First medal and certificate, Darwen; second certificate, Freer.—*Medicine*: First certificate, Russell.—*Materia Medica*: First medal and certificate, Banks; second certificate, Wilkinson.—*Botany*: First medal and certificate, Franks; second certificate, J. Fox.—*Forensic Medi-*

*cine*: First medal and certificate, Russell; second certificate, Wigglesworth.—*Midwifery*: First medal and certificate, Wigglesworth; second certificate, Russell.—*Demonstrator's Prize*: Darwen, Freer; æquales.—*The Warden's Theological Prize, Senior Class*: Banks.—*Junior Class*: Alban Davies.—*The Piercy German Prize*: Lambert.—*Mathematical Tutor's Prize*: Alban Davies.—*London University Certificates, Matr. Exam.* First class, Arden, Dawes, De Mierre, Webb; second Eland, Ffolliott.

### ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S HOSPITAL.

We have great pleasure in recording a noble act of liberality on the part of one of the physicians attached to this excellent institution. We allude to Dr. G. L. Roupell, who has secured the valuable aid of Mr. Pickersgill, R.A., to perpetuate, by a series of portraits, the memory of those members of the profession who have distinguished themselves in its service, and who were formerly, or are still, connected with this, the oldest hospital in London. The portraits already completed are those of Drs. Latham and Watson, by Mr. Pickersgill, sen., who is now engaged on the portrait of Professor Owen. This distinguished artist is ably assisted in his labours by his son, Mr. H. H. Pickersgill, who has produced the most faithful copy of Reynolds's picture of John Hunter we have yet seen; so correct in drawing, colouring, and detail, is it, that we hope the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, in whose possession the original is, will follow the example afforded by the liberality of Dr. Roupell, and engage to have another copy taken, ere the original is quite faded from the canvass. To the above list (at St. Bartholomew's) is to be added that of the immortal discoverer of the circulation of the blood, from the original picture by Jansen, also by Mr. Pickersgill, jun. The portrait of Harvey likewise shows the talent of the artist. We understand that both gentlemen are still at work for the worthy doctor, who has expressed a wish that the collection may find a place in the Student's Hall of St. Bartholomew's Hospital and College, for the emulation of the rising members of the profession.—*Lancet*.

### ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS.

At the Quarterly Meeting of the *comitia majora*, held on Monday, Sep. 30, Dr. Peacock, of Finsbury Circus, was admitted a Fellow.

The following gentlemen, having undergone the necessary examinations for diploma, were also admitted Members of the College:—Dr. Steavenson, Heighington Darlington; Dr. Ogle, Hertford Street, May Fair; Dr. Tanner, Charlotte Street, Bedford Square; Dr. Kirkes, St. Bartholomew's Hospital; Dr. Fressanges, The Mauritius.

The following also were admitted extra licentiates:—Dr. Bullock, Congleton, Cheshire, and Dr. Hoggan, R.N.

### ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Friday, October 4th, 1850:—Joseph Hutchinson Hammond, Bridlington Quay, Yorkshire; Jabez Hogg, London; Henry Gregory King, Kingston, Surrey; Edward Simpson, York; George Simpson, Bedford Street, Bedford Square; Henry Thompson, Croydon, Surrey; Reuben

Whitchurch, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire; James Wilson, Rossendale, Lancashire; Thomas Buchan Hepburn Wood, Broughty Ferry, Forfarshire.

### SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Thursday, September 26th, 1850:—Dex Bean, Heckmondwike; Wm. Henchman Clubbe, Diss, Norfolk.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Thursday, October 3rd, 1850:—Frederick Foster Andrews, Lynn Regis; John Darwin, Birmingham; Wm. Gillibrand, Chorley, Lancashire; Jonathan Hutchinson, jun., Selby, Yorkshire; Peter Pemell, Canterbury; Robert Settle, Lancashire; Edgar Sheppard, Enfield.

### OBITUARY.

September 28th, Alfred Athelstone Wilkins Gale, Esq., surgeon, Shepton Mallet. An inquest was held on the body of the deceased, who fell down in a fit on the day previous, and immediately expired. It appeared he had for some time previously been unwell, but no particular notice was taken. The jury returned a verdict of "Visitation of God." Mr. Gale was a member of this Association.

October 5th, at Worcester, James Swift, Esq., surgeon, R.N., aged 76, last surviving son of the Rev. James Swift, M.A., of Worcester.

### PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSOCIATION.

#### NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

Gentlemen who have not yet paid their subscriptions for the current year, or who are in arrears, are requested to forward the amount due either to the Secretary of the district in which they reside, or to the Treasurer or Secretary of the Association at Worcester.

The attention of Members is particularly requested to the following resolution, unanimously agreed to at the late Anniversary Meeting, held at Hull on the 7th and 8th of August, 1850:—

"But if any Member's subscription remain unpaid twelve months after it shall become due, the *Medical Journal*, and other publications of the Society, shall be withheld from such Member till his arrears be paid; and when any Member has been in arrears of subscription for the space of three years application shall be made for the same by the General Secretary, and if the arrears be not paid in three months the name of that Member shall be omitted from the list of Subscribers; but the omission shall not be deemed, either in honour or equity, as releasing any gentleman from the subscription owing during his Membership."

JAMES P. SHEPPARD.

Secretary.

Worcester, Sept. 17th, 1850.

### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from Mr. Ashford, Dr. Duncan, Mr. Humphry, Mr. Dorrington, Mr. Berry, Mr. Cox, Mr. Bedingfield, Dr. Tilt.

We cannot ascertain where "Vectis" may obtain covers for the last volume of the "Transactions." Mr. Churchill, of Princes Street, Soho, may probably be able to accommodate him.

L. G.—We do not know whether our correspondent is a medical man or not. If the former, we shall be happy to give him what information we can by letter; if the latter, we recommend him by all means to place himself under the care of some medical friend, as he is playing with dangerous remedies, though efficacious when properly watched.