

ing this new theory, may say it was impossible so to *act*. Sir, I have shown you that mere *children* acted in such a manner that the great Sir Matthew Hale was deceived by them, and laboring under that deception sentenced two poor old women to an ignominious death. I sum up by declaring it to be my firm conviction that the whole of Mr. Hall's performance was a juggle and a trick, and that he has obtained money from the people of York, and other places, by exhibiting so-called manifestations of the truth of phrenology and Mesmerism, which manifestations were feigned, acted, and false.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

A BARRISTER ON THE NORTHERN CIRCUIT.

February 2, 1843.

PARLIAMENTARY INTELLIGENCE.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

Feb. 2, 1843.

Mr. F. French gave notice that on Tuesday, the 7th of February, he would move for leave to bring in a bill for the better regulation of medical charities in Ireland.

Mr. Mackinnon gave notice of moving for leave to bring in a bill for the improvement of great towns by preventing human interments therein.

Dr. Bowring gave notice of a motion for Feb. 3, respecting the quarantine laws. This motion had already been brought forward during two sessions, but had been abandoned until further necessary information could be obtained. The motion was subsequently postponed.

Feb. 7.

In answer to a question from Mr. Grattan relative to Mr. Phelan, Sir James Graham said that Mr. Phelan had not been *dismissed*, but that there would be no occasion for his services after the 25th of March next.

[This resembles the species of consolation that Polyphemus tendered to Ulysses.]

MUNIFICENT LEGACY TO ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL.

This hospital has been recently enriched by the munificent legacy of £5,000 per annum and £60,000.

PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.

War-office, February 3.

4th Dragoon Guards—Assistant-surgeon Edwin Adolphus, M.D., from the 98th Foot, to be assistant-surgeon, vice O'Callaghan, promoted.

12th Light Dragoons—Surgeon James Lowry Tighe, from the 51st, to be surgeon, vice Moffitt, promoted.

19th Foot—Thomas Longmore, gent., to be assistant-surgeon, vice Coghlan, deceased.

51st—Staff-surgeon of second class, John Hartley Sinclair, M.D., to be surgeon, vice Tighe, appointed to 12th Dragoons.

98th—Assistant-surgeon Thomas Horner Wheeler, from the 67th, to be assistant-surgeon, vice Adolphus.

Hospital Staff—Assistant-surgeon Patrick O'Callaghan, M.D., from the 4th Dragoons, to be staff-surgeon of second class.

NAVAL.

Assistant-surgeons—D. Ritchie, to the Cockatrice; W. P. Banks, M.D., to the Fearless; John Thomson, M.D., to the Shearwater.

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BOOKS RECEIVED.

Interment and Distinterment, or a Further Exposition of the Practices pursued in the Metropolitan Places of Sepulture, &c. &c. By G. A. Walker, Surgeon. London: Longman and Co., 1843. pp. 28.

A Report of the Cases of Fractures of the Larger Bones of the Extremities, &c., admitted into the Liverpool Northern Hospital, from March, 1834, to 1841. By John M. Banner, Senior Surgeon—[From the Ed. Med. and Surg. Journal.]

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