

OBITUARIES.

We perceive, in the French journals, a notice of the death of M. Chervin, on the 14th ultimo, at Bourbonne-les-Bains. M. Chervin deserves commemoration for the zeal with which he devoted his life and fortune to the investigation of the yellow fever.

The last will of this conscientious enthusiast is so remarkable a document, that we are tempted to make one or two extracts from it, which will doubtless draw from many of our readers a smile not unmingled with pain:—

"I have nothing to bequeath," he observes; "all that I received from my parents, and all that I gained by means of a tolerably lucrative medical practice at Guadaloupe, having been swallowed up in the course of the investigations which I have pursued for twenty-seven years into the origin and mode of propagation of the yellow fever, for the purpose of bringing about some modification of the sanitary system pursued on the European continent.

"Not only have I spent all my own possessions in this great and toilsome enterprise, but I have been largely indebted to my generous friends for means wherewith to prosecute my labors. Since my country has profited by my exertions, I express the wish, in this solemn moment, that France may reimburse both principal and interest to the generous citizens who have provided me with means."

He then enumerates various debts, for money advanced, for lodgings, and lastly, for the printing and paper of his last petition to the Chambers; and expresses the hope that the Minister of Commerce will not begrudge some few hundreds of francs to finish the publication of various documents on sanitary regulations.—*Gaz. Méd.*, August 26, 1843.

On the 28th ultimo, at his residence, 11, William-street, Lowndes-square, Sir Thomas Charles Morgan, M.D.

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Members admitted Monday, August 21, 1843.

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Friday, August 25, 1843.

W. F. T. Ivey, J. Burgess, E. Cottingham, E. L. Ogle, E. Kittson, W. Poole, C. A. Wakefield, F. Field, B. H. Jagac, W. Pollock, T. Spain, G. Padley, T. B. Kestley, W. Watson.

Monday, August 28, 1843.

E. T. Rendall, B. Barrett, F. Wildbore, T. Orton, C. R. Morgan, T. H. Baker, T. Engall, C. Cooper, T. C. Lewis.

*** There will not be another court until October.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Dr. Murphy's paper on polypus uteri shall appear next week; and the future contributions which he promises will be thankfully acknowledged.

Mr. Waterhouse's paper on grinders' diseases of the lungs next week.

E. C. P.—We are obliged to our correspondent for his voluminous document, which is left for him at the publisher's; but we regret that it is not exactly applicable to the pages of our Journal. The interest of the subject—not a very practical one—has somewhat subsided; but even if there were no objections on this score, our correspondent's method of translating is most lamentable. He falls into the prevalent error of translating word for word; and the result is a degenerate dialect, neither English nor French. The proper way is, to convey the ideas in pure English; and not to render word for word with the original.

A correspondent has forwarded to us a prescription containing iodide of potassium, tincture of iodine, bicarbonate of potass, tartar emetic, hydrocyanic acid, syrup of orange peel, and water, in one mixture; and this farrago is to be taken with lemon-juice to make it effervesce. At the same time, a pill is prescribed at bedtime, containing calomel, oxide of iron, compound rhubarb pill, and extract of conium. Our correspondent suggests that this multifarious formula should be preserved till the next examination for honors at the University of London; and that an extra gold medal and exhibition should be awarded to the competitor who best describes the disease for which such a prescription would be applicable, and the decomposition its ingredients would suffer, both before and after their reception into the stomach.

A much-esteemed correspondent complains of the numerous errata which have appeared in our last few Numbers. If this gentleman could but see the handwriting with which the eyes of both editors and printers are wearied, he would not wonder at their letting some few typographical inaccuracies escape them. More care, however, shall be taken for the future.

Dr. S.—The paper looks too much like a *puff*, or apology rather, for Dr. *****. We fear that the profession generally would not be unanimous in favour of his claim to scientific eminence. If this, however, were altered, the paper would be very acceptable; but we cannot undertake to receive any communication on such terms as our correspondent proposes.

Mr. Pope.—We regret that we cannot procure the list this week.

Medicus.—We will explain next week.

ERRATA.

In Mr. Estlin's paper, contained in the last Number, at page 442, col. 1, line 19 from top, for "operation," read *operators*; col. 2, line 7 from bottom, for "skin," read *rim*.

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