

VACCINE MATTER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL JOURNAL.

SIR,

In common with many of my professional neighbours, I have met with no little difficulty of late, in procuring active vaccine virus. I was induced at length to apply to Mr. Adams, of Lymington, who had kindly supplied me once before with some active virus, which had originally come, I think, from Mr. Estlin, of Bristol, who I believe had obtained it from the cow.

From this virus I have now, and hope to have for some time to come, a plentiful supply, and I shall be very happy to supply any of the readers of your Journal with some of it. I will charge any number of points which may be forwarded to me.

The virus I have of late years procured from the Royal Vaccine Establishment, Russel Place, Fitzroy Square, has been very inefficient—nay, almost useless.

Were you, or some one of your numerous correspondents to bring this subject before the public in the way which its importance requires, the evil might possibly be remedied.

I am, Sir,

Yours very truly,

THOS. P. FERNIE.

Kimbolton, Oct. 24, 1844.

INTERNAL USE OF CHLORIDE OF LIME.

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SIR,

In a paper published in the last number of the *Provincial Journal*, on the use of the chloride of lime in fever, the author, Mr. C. T. Edwards, makes the following assertion:—"Except in one solitary instance, recorded, I believe, in the pages of this periodical, its use as a remedial agent, does not appear to have extended beyond sponging the surface of the body with a weakened solution, sprinkling it in the apartments, and mingling it with the secretions."

If Mr. Edwards will consult Dr. Copland's Dictionary, Vol. I., p. 1032, he will find that the *internal* employment both of this remedy and of the chloride of soda, has been known to the profession since 1825, and its value in certain cases fully recognized.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. H. MADDEN, M.D.

Torquay, Oct 24, 1844.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.

Gentlemen admitted members on Friday, October 25, 1844:—T. Dobson; C. Jervison; H. Brook; J. Brown; W. Bayes; F. A. Crisp; W. Bowden; C. Ede; J. W. Harrison; B. Cawthorne.

INFIRMARY AT SEAHAM HARBOUR, NEAR SUNDERLAND.

The following appointments have been made at this Institution:—Visiting Physicians: Dr. Clanny and Dr. Fife.—Visiting Surgeons: Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Maling, and Mr. Torboc.—Resident Surgeon: Mr. Yellowly.

PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSOCIATION.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING.

In compliance with a resolution of the Council of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association, a Special General Meeting of the Association will be held at the Town Hall, Derby, on Thursday, the 14th of November next, to take into consideration Sir James Graham's Bill for the better regulation of Medical Practice throughout the United Kingdom.

The Council will meet at twelve o'clock: the General Meeting will take place at one.

ROBERT J. N. STREETEN,

SECRETARY.

A report from the Committee, appointed at the Northampton Meeting, to consider the best means of establishing a School for the Education of the Sons of Medical Men, will be presented by Mr. Martin, of Reigate.

OBITUARY.

Died, at Vienna, Oct. 10th, Dr. Ritter von Scherer, Professor of Anatomy and Physiology: from his extensive learning and professional acquirements, he was considered one of the most eminent among the German physicians.

BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

Facts and Observations in Medicine and Surgery, &c. &c. By John Grantham, Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, &c. London: Churchill. 1844. 8vo., pp. 216.

An Exposition of the Laws which relate to the Medical Profession in England, &c. &c., with an Appendix, containing an ample Analysis of Sir James Graham's Bill for the better Regulation of Medical Practice throughout the United Kingdom. By John Davies, M.D., Physician to the General Infirmary at Hertford, &c. &c. London: Churchill. 1844. pp. 84.

The Principles of Surgery. By James Miller, F.R.S.E., F.R.C.S.E., Professor of Surgery in the University of Edinburgh, Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, &c. Edinburgh: Adam and Charles Black. London: Longmans. 1844. 12mo., pp. 742.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from Dr. Black; Mr. J. M. Madden; Dr. John Davies; Mr. Carter; Mr. G. E. Stanger; Messrs. Dorrington and Franklin; Mr. Husband; Mr. Faircloth; Dr. England; Dr. Robertson; Dr. Cullen; and Mr. Boulbee.

It is requested that all letters and communications be sent to Dr. Streeten, Foregate Street, Worcester. Parcels, and books for review, may be addressed to the Editor of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Journal, care of Mr. Churchill, Princes Street, Soho.