

BRISTOL MEDICAL SCHOOL.

The first public distribution of prizes to the pupils of this establishment, took place on Monday, May 5th, at the Philosophic Institution.

The meeting was attended by a considerable number of visitors. Amongst the faculty, besides those connected with the school, were, Drs. Sabine, O'Bryen, Budd, Prichard; Messrs. Morgan, Estlin, Lowe, Greig, Surridge, Cross, Bartley, W. Smith, Rogers, Robertson, Prowse, Day, Parker, Godfrey, Wheeler, Goodeve, H. Swayne, Davis, Leonard, &c., &c. Of the gentlemen associated with the institution, there were present—Drs. Symonds, Fairbrother, Kay, and Green; Messrs. Hetling, Staples, Fripp, and Herapath.

The Chair was taken by the Mayor, who briefly introduced the subject of the meeting.

Dr. Kay then read an appropriate address, setting forth the value of good education, the high claims of the science, the advantages of such a school of medicine, the high reputation it had obtained, &c. &c. and concluded with some excellent advice to the pupils to show themselves worthy of their *alma mater*, and thus become ornaments to their profession and good members of society.

The successful candidates were then introduced by Dr. Symonds, and the prizes handed to them by the Mayor. The first prize in the first class, or those who have been three years pupils, was awarded to Mr. Collens; it consisted of a handsomely bound copy of the Library of Medicine. The same gentlemen gained the first prize in the second class last year. The certificate of honour in this class was given to Mr. Peck. In the second class, Mr. Prowse, son of Mr. Prowse, of Bristol, himself a member of the profession, gained the first prize; he also last year obtained the first prize in his then class. The certificate of honour, in the second class was awarded to Mr. Rogers.

VACCINATION UNDER THE VACCINATION ACT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL JOURNAL.

SIR,

I am desirous to make inquiry, through the medium of your Journal, of my midland brethren, in attendance upon vaccinating districts for the poor, whether they vaccinate all who apply to them from any parish in the union, and make their charge in every case, or whether the charge is strictly confined to the parishes named in their appointment.

The wording of the appointment would lead any one to suppose that the medical man was at liberty to vaccinate any person applying to him within the union. From inquiries I have made amongst my midland neighbours, this point appears quite a doubt, and every man seems at liberty to do what is right in his own eyes.

In the hope that some of your numerous readers will throw some light on this disputed point,

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

AN INQUIRER.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

Gentlemen admitted members on Friday, May 9, 1845:—J. H. Wilkinson; T. J. Kent; W. B. Hay; R. Butler; S. B. Shaw; J. Nihill; F. Farr; T. M'Cheane; J. Rogers.

Admitted Thursday, May 13, 1845:—J. Pointon; J. A. Cooksey; H. Pelaw; P. H. Harper; H. Mathias; G. Hazel; T. D. W. Wheaton.

JACKSONIAN PRIZE.

The Jacksonian prize, given by the Royal College of Surgeons, has been adjudged to Edwards Crisp, Esq., of Walworth, for his essay on "The Anatomical Structure and Diseases of the larger Blood Vessels."

PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSOCIATION.

ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

The Anniversary Meeting of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association for the present year, appointed to be held at Sheffield, is fixed for Wednesday and Thursday, the 30th and 31st of July.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Observations on the Nature and Treatment of the More Important Diseases of the Nervous System. By a Physician. Bath. 1845. pp. 89.

The Physiological Anatomy and Physiology of Man. Part the Second. By Robert Bentley Todd, M.D., F.R.S., Fellow of the College of Physicians, Physician to King's College Hospital, and Professor of Physiology in King's College, London; and William Bowman, F.R.S., Fellow of the College of Surgeons, Assistant Surgeon to King's College Hospital, and Demonstrator of Anatomy in King's College, London. London: J. W. Parker. 1845. 8vo., pp. 248, with numerous illustrations.

A Few Words on the Fellowship, with a Suggestion Concerning the Present Crisis, addressed to the President and Council of the Royal College of Surgeons of England. By an Old Member of the College. London: Churchill. 1845. 8vo., pp. 43.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from Mr. Newnham; Dr. Ramsbotham; A Lancashire Practitioner; Mr. G. Chater; the Birmingham Pathological Society.

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.