

their original, with the very symptoms you mention, and many more. But these are so far from being procured by the use of the Cortex febrifugus, that had it been timely and rationally exhibited, it might have secured against all the forementioned symptomatical diseases. Now in some, or most of these last mentioned cases, I doubt not but repeated vomiting and purging might be indicated, as well as in that you have acquainted us with.

(To be continued.)

MEDICAL BENEVOLENT FUNDS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL JOURNAL.

SIR,

A day or two ago I met with the enclosed passage in Percival's *Medical Ethics* (chap. 3, s. 9), which, as bearing upon the subject noticed in the last number of your Journal, viz., the best mode of affording relief to the distressed members of the medical profession and their families, you may perhaps think worth inserting.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

W. A. G.

Oct. 24, 1845.

"In the county of Norfolk, and in the city of London, benevolent institutions have been lately* formed for providing funds to relieve the widows and children of Apothecaries, and occasionally, also, Members of the Profession who become indigent. Such schemes merit the sanction and encouragement of every liberal Physician and Surgeon; and were they thus extended, their usefulness would be greatly increased, and their permanency almost with certainty secured. Medical subscribers, from every part of Great Britain, should be admitted, if they offer satisfactory testimonials of their qualifications. One comprehensive establishment seems to be more eligible than many on a smaller scale, for it would be conducted with superior dignity, regularity, and efficiency; with fewer obstacles from interest, prejudice, or rivalry; with considerable saving in the aggregate of time, trouble, and expence; with more accuracy in the calculations relative to its funds, and consequently with the utmost practicable extension of its dividends."

* The reader will remember that this was written rather more than forty years ago.

PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSOCIATION.

THE BENEVOLENT FUND.

A meeting of the subscribers to the Benevolent Fund of the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association will be held in the Council Room of the Museum, Foregate Street, Worcester, on Thursday, November 20th, at one o'clock.

The meeting is called at the request of the Central Committee, to take into consideration the circumstances under which the Benevolent Fund is now placed, and to devise means for promoting its efficiency, and to obtain for it further support.

MEDICAL INTELLIGENCE.

The Right Hon. Lord Lyttelton has been installed Principal of Queen's College, Birmingham, in the room of Dr. Edward Johnstone, who has retired, in consequence of his advanced age.

Mr. Richards and Mr. Horton have been elected Surgeons to the Birmingham and Deritend Self-supporting Dispensary, in the room of Mr. S. Berry and Mr. W. Kimberley, resigned.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.

Gentlemen admitted Members on Friday, Oct. 31, 1845:—T. Gaisford; R. A. Byers; M. C. Russell; E. H. Malton; W. H. Greenwood; J. Hollingsworth; J. Edmondson; J. B. Collins; R. Lloyd; J. J. Brown.

SOCIETY OF APOTHECARIES.

Gentlemen admitted Licentiates, Thursday, October 23rd:—R. F. Freeborn, Oxford; M. Hinchcliffe, Dewsbury; B. P. Matthews, Oxfordshire; A. C. Copeman, Cotteshall; W. G. Dalgaurns, Guernsey; T. Francis, Welshpool.

Thursday, October 30th:—T. Cochrane, Dudley; C. P. Mingay, Wilby; J. W. Oliver, Stilton; R. Jouis Stone.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

On Diseases of the Liver. By George Budd, M.D., F.R.S., Professor of Medicine in King's College, London; and Fellow of Caius College, Cambridge. London: Churchill. 1845. 8vo. pp. 401. Plates.

On the Analysis of the Blood and Urine, in Health and Disease; and on the Treatment of Urinary Diseases. By G. Owen Rees, M.D., F.R.S., F.G.S., &c., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, &c., &c. Second Edition. London: Longman and Co. 1845. 8vo. pp. 218. A plate.

A Clinical Introduction to the Practice of Auscultation and other Modes of Physical Diagnosis, &c. By H. M. Hughes, M.D., Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, Assistant Physician to Guy's Hospital, &c. London: Longman & Co. 1845. small 8vo. pp. 246. A plate.

Some Remarks on the Treatment of Unavoidable Hæmorrhage by Extraction of the Placenta before the Child, &c. By J. Y. Simpson, M.D., F.R.S.E., Professor of Midwifery in the University of Edinburgh. (From the *London Medical Gazette*.) 8vo: pp. 16.

The Modern Treatment of Syphilitic Diseases, both Primary and Secondary, &c., &c. By Langston Parker, Surgeon to the Queen's Hospital, Birmingham, &c. Second Edition. London: Churchill. 1845. 12mo. pp. 228.

Guy's Hospital Reports. Second Series. No. VI. October 1845. London: Highley. 8vo.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Communications have been received from Dr. Cardew; Mr. Terry; Mr. W. H. Colborne; Mr. J. C. Parker; Dr. Chambers.