

"I need hardly add, that the recipe is nonsense; and even were it a good prescription, the want of directions for its use would render it valueless to a patient. The offer of a cure, therefore, for thirteen stamps, cannot arise from a delusion on the part of the 'land-agent' as to the efficacy of his nostrum; and is simply a clever method of obtaining money—not certainly for value received.

"I am, Sir, yours, etc.

"JOHN ROSE CORMACK, M.D.

"Essex House, Putney, Dec. 23, 2851."

["We thank Dr. Cormack for his communication. Assuredly, the advertisements of Mr. Wilkinson shall not again appear; and, as regards all advertisements, vigilance as to their character shall be exerted.—ED. CRITIC."]

A two-penny monthly publication is announced by Charles Gilpin, of 5, Bishopsgate Street, entitled, "THE JOURNAL OF PHYSICAL REGENERATION." Its aim is stated to be purely philanthropic: and we are inclined to believe this avowal to be true from reading in the prospectus, that "*no advertisements of quack medicines can be admitted.*" The pecuniary sacrifice, which such a determination involves, would ruin half of the second-rate provincial newspapers, and greatly cripple some of those of better standing, by whom the indecencies of their disreputable clients are veiled, but not rejected. Matters, indeed, are so managed by all the newspapers—even by those which call themselves religious—that few moneyed advertisers are turned away.

CHOLERA AND SMALL-POX IN JAMAICA. CHOLERA still lingers in Jamaica. It has been observed to appear with damp, and to disappear temporarily with drought. In the *Falmouth Post* of 26th December, we read that a few cases of cholera have lately occurred, (one on the previous day); and that in the agricultural districts—at Water Valley and Dry Valley estates, and in the village and neighbourhood of Duncan's, the disease prevails. At Good Hope and Nightingale Grove, SMALL-POX has made its appearance, and many persons are being vaccinated daily. This dreadful scourge has also attacked upwards of 300 persons in Stewart Town and its vicinity, where twenty-one deaths are reported—eleven being adults, and ten children.

NEW JOURNALS. A valuable addition to pharmaceutical literature has recently appeared—viz., the *CHEMICAL RECORD*, published weekly in London. It is always on a level with the most recent discoveries and improvements, and is edited with great spirit and ability. It has no fault but that of being too scientific for the mass of chemists and druggists, to whom a more superficial work would, we fancy, be more acceptable. To physicians, and others, who cultivate chemistry in its higher branches and more difficult applications, this journal will be of much use. The *ANNALS OF PHARMACY AND PRACTICAL CHEMISTRY* is another work which deserves to be spoken of with approbation. It appears monthly: and the first number was published on the 1st of January, 1852. The first number of the *MEDICAL CIRCULAR*, a fortnightly journal, appeared on the 14th of January. It is the property of the proprietors of the *Medical Directory*; is under the same management; and is intended, we fear, to promote the same loose views regarding the profession which are set forth in that work, and to which we have briefly alluded at p. 174 of this number.

TO CORRESPONDENTS. The next of the series of articles by DR. C. J. B. WILLIAMS, will appear in our March number: and in an early number, one of MR. WHITE COOPER'S Clinical Essays on Diseases of the Eye—a series to be illustrated by wood-cuts.

APPOINTMENTS, ORITUARY, and BOOKS RECEIVED are unavoidably delayed till next month, on account of want of room.