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The organisation on account of the cholera, by the appointment of medical inspectors for the different metropolitan parishes and unions, is as follows:—

For the Parishes South of the Thames—Dr. Hassall; Dr. B. M. Glover; Dr. Greenhow; C. R. Walsh, Esq.

For the Parishes North of the Thames—Dr. Donald Fraser; George Glover, Esq.; Dr. R. King; Dr. Mac-loughlin; J. Patterson, Esq.

For the Inspection of the Shipping in the River—Dr. G. King, R.N., Inspector of Hospitals and Fleets.

During the prevalence of cholera, the President has appointed the following Medical Council, to assist him by their advice: Dr. Paris, Sir James Clark, Dr. Alderson, Dr. Babington, Dr. Tweedie, Dr. Baly, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Simon, Professor Owen, Mr. N. B. Ward, Mr. John Bacot, and Dr. Farr.

In addition to the above, a scientific committee has been appointed, consisting of members of the Council, and Dr. Sutherland, Dr. R. D. Thomson, Dr. Hassall, and J. Glaisher, Esq. The subjects which engage the attention of this committee are, meteorology, the question of water supply, the chemical analysis of the atmosphere and of the water from the different companies, the investigation of the pathology of the disease, etc.

The present Board has been appointed for a term of twelve months; but the whole subject is to be brought before Parliament, with the view of placing the Board of Health on a permanent footing. It is to be hoped that through no political or other changes the country will lose the benefit it expects to derive from the appointment of Sir Benjamin Hall as Minister of Health. He has proved himself to possess a thorough knowledge of business, together with the energy and judgment which is required in one holding so difficult and trying a position. The President of the Board of Health will, we hope, receive from the members of the medical profession that cordial support to which he is justly entitled. The appointments which he has made give evidence of the value which he attaches to professional services, and of his desire to become acquainted with the opinions of the profession respecting the great sanitary questions now engrossing the attention of the country. The homœopathic and Julie-mesmeric vagaries imputed to Sir Benjamin Hall are, we trust, either stupid calumnies, or transgressions against common sense which have been repented of, and may now be forgiven.

MR. HATTON OF MANCHESTER AND THE LATE ANNIVERSARY MEETING.

EVERY member who attended the Manchester meeting will peruse with extreme satisfaction the following extract from a private letter which we have received from Dr. NOBLE; and we are sure that Dr. Noble will not be displeased by our giving publicity to it. To the exertions of Mr. HATTON the Association is deeply indebted; for, without his well laid plans and untiring exertions, the kindness and the

splendid hospitality of our Manchester colleagues could not have been made so fully available to the comfort and success of the recent meeting as was the case.

“Manchester, October 3rd, 1854.

“This day, at 1 p.m., a deputation from our Executive Committee, consisting of Mr. Wilson (President of the Association), Dr. Lyon, Dr. Whitehead, Dr. Browne, Mr. Southam, and myself, waited upon Mr. Hatton, our Honorary Secretary, to present him with a handsome candelabrum, of the value of twenty guineas, appropriately inscribed, as an inadequate testimonial of the sense which is entertained of his great and untiring exertions to give effect and éclat to our recent gathering. Mr. Wilson appropriately addressed Mr. Hatton in presenting the testimonial, and that gentleman replied in neat and feeling terms. The deputation was afterwards very hospitably entertained by provision of an excellent luncheon.”

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF THE PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSOCIATION.

Circulars are now being issued to every member whose name appears in the Secretary's Ledger as in debt to the Association. Immediate attention is requested to these applications, so that a complete analysis of subscriptions, paid and unpaid, may be prepared.

Gentlemen not in arrears, receiving applications for payment, are requested to state the time at which they paid, and the name of the Collector from whom they obtained receipts. After the 1st of January, 1855, an uniform system will be adopted in the collection of subscriptions. This is rendered necessary by the complication, confusion, and useless labour, which are engendered by the present loose system. Many who have during last week been applied to for one and two years' subscription, have forwarded receipts of old date, as an evidence that they were not defaulters; and the JOURNAL had in five cases been stopped, where the annual subscriptions had been paid.

JOHN ROSE CORNACK,

General Secretary to the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association.

October 6, 1854.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

ATTENDANCE AT THE MANCHESTER MEETING. Several members of the Association have complained that their names were not given in the list of those who attended the Anniversary Meeting at Manchester. Upon referring to the list, p. 850, it will be found that we did not pretend to give a complete list of those who were present; and that we did all that was possible in the circumstances—viz., to publish the names inscribed by members in the book at the door. As it is interesting to many to know exactly who attend meetings of the Association, we propose, the week after next, to supply the names omitted in our previous list, to such an extent as we may be furnished with them.

AUTHORS are informed that there is at present a great mass of matter in type waiting for space.

DR. COWAN's letter on the £1000 Journal Fund in our next.

APPOINTMENTS.

[*An asterisk is prefixed to the names of Members of the Association.]

- *GOODE, Henry, M.B. and L.M., elected Physician to the Derbyshire General Infirmary.
- *HUSBAND, W. D., Esq., elected Surgeon to the York County Hospital, in the room of the late Henry Russell, Esq.
- LINDSAY, W. Lauder, M.D., elected Resident Physician Superintendent of the Perth Royal Lunatic Asylum.
- *SHANK, George, M.D., elected Physician to the York County Hospital, in the room of Dr. Belcombe, resigned.

OBITUARY.

[*An asterisk is prefixed to the names of those who at the time of their decease were Members of the Association.]

- ARMSTRONG, C. E., Esq., at Twyford, Berkshire, aged 74, on September 14.
- ROUFELL, George L., M.D., F.R.S., Physician to St. Bartholomew's Hospital, at Welbeck Street, of Cholera, on September 29.