

of the qualifications in question, and by what authority they are conferred.

8. The claim of Mr. William Hay, of Eskdalemuir, by Langholm, supported by additional testimonials, having been reconsidered and admitted, a special order was made to register Mr. Hay as "surgeon in the public service".

9. The claim of Francis Dawson, parochial surgeon in Rothes, Morayshire, with additional testimonials, was in like manner reconsidered and admitted.

10. A special order was made to register James Lindsay, parochial surgeon of Kilchrenan, as "surgeon in the public service".

11. The claim of John Macfarlane, parochial surgeon at Arrochar, with accompanying testimonials, having been considered, the Registrar was directed to intimate to Mr. Macfarlane, that the Council decline to make a special order for Registration in his case.

12. Letters regarding the legality of appointing an unregistered person to fill the office of house surgeon in an hospital or infirmary having been read, the Registrar was instructed to write in answer:—"That the Branch Council cannot, without exceeding their powers, offer any authoritative or legal interpretation of the provisions of the 'Medical Act', and must simply refer their correspondents to sects. 36, 37, and 40, of the Statute."

13. Returns from all the Scottish Colleges and Licensing Bodies mentioned in Schedule A of the 'Medical Act', were received and examined by the Branch Council, in conformity with minute of General Council Meeting, Nov. 27th, 1858, sect. 7.

It was resolved to request the medical faculty of King's College, Aberdeen, to furnish their regulations in a printed form, uniform with the returns made by the other Licensing Bodies.

The Registrar was instructed to transmit to London, for the use of the General Council, thirty copies of each set of returns made to the Branch Council.

(Confirmed)

JAMES SYME.

Association Intelligence.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

NAME OF BRANCH.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DATE.
SOUTH MIDLAND.	Infirmary,	Monday, May
[Annual Meeting.]	Northampton.	30th, 1 P.M.
LANCASHIRE AND	Town Hall,	Wednesday,
CHESHIRE.	Chester.	June 8th,
[Annual Meeting.]		12 noon.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH:

SOCIAL AND SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERS RESIDENT IN ROCHESTER, MAIDSTONE, GRAVESEND, DARTFORD, AND THEIR VICINITIES.

A social and scientific meeting of members of the South-Eastern Branch resident in Rochester, Maidstone, Gravesend, Dartford, and their vicinities, will be held on

Friday, May 20th, 1859, at 3.30, at the Town Hall, Dartford.

The members resident in this district will be gratified by the attendance and assistance of any of the members of the British Medical Association.

JAMES DULVEY, *Honorary Secretary.*

Brompton, Chatham.

LANCASHIRE AND CHESHIRE BRANCH.

THE Twenty-third Annual Meeting of this Branch will be held on Wednesday, June 8th, at the Town Hall, Chester, at Twelve o'clock at noon, under the presidency of E. WATERS, M.D.

The members and their friends will dine together after the meeting at the Albion Hotel.

Gentlemen who intend to bring forward cases or communications are requested to send notice to the Secretary as early as possible.

A. T. H. WATERS,

Honorary Secretary.

Liverpool, May 11th, 1859.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Twenty-Seventh Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be holden in Liverpool, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the 27th, 28th and 29th days of July.

President—W. P. ALISON, M.D., F.R.S.E., Edinburgh.

President-Elect—JAMES R. W. VOSE, M.D., Liverpool.

The Address in Medicine will be delivered by EDWARD WATERS, M.D., Chester, President-elect of the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch.

The Address in Physiology will be delivered by A. T. H. WATERS, Esq., Liverpool, Lecturer on Anatomy and Physiology in the Royal Infirmary School of Medicine.

PHILIP H. WILLIAMS, M.D., *General Secretary.*

Worcester, April 26th, 1859.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

AN Ordinary Meeting of the above Branch was held at the Hen and Chickens Hotel, Birmingham, on April 21st, 1859. The Chair was occupied, in the absence of the President, by W. DOWNES, Esq. (Handsworth). There were also present: A. ALCOCK, Esq. (Smethwick); E. Bartleet, Esq. (Birmingham); T. Boisragon, M.D. (Birmingham); G. J. Brown, Esq. (Birmingham); Edward Cheshire, Esq. (Birmingham); J. Clay, Esq. (Birmingham); A. Fleming, M.D. (Birmingham); Bell Fletcher, M.D. (Birmingham); T. S. Fletcher, Esq. (Bromsgrove); J. Fraser, M.D. (Wolverhampton); J. J. Hadley, Esq. (Birmingham); H. Hancox, M.D. (Wolverhampton); A. Hill, M.D. (Birmingham); W. Hinds, M.D. (Birmingham); W. Hopkins, Esq. (Handsworth); W. E. Johnson, Esq. (Dudley); G. Jones, Esq. (Birmingham); W. J. Kite, Esq. (West Bromwich); G. H. Marshall, M.D. (Birmingham); J. B. Melson, M.D. (Birmingham); E. D. Moore, Esq. (Walsall); J. R. Nicholson, M.D. (Redditch); O. Pemberton, Esq. (Birmingham); J. Postgate, Esq. (Birmingham); R. Sandford, Esq. (Wolverhampton); J. V. Solomon, Esq. (Birmingham); S. Spratley, Esq. (Birmingham); T. Underhill, Esq. (Great Bridge); W. F. Wade, M.B. (Birmingham); C. Warden, M.D. (Birmingham); T. W. Williams, Esq. (Birmingham); G. Yates, Esq. (Birmingham).

NEW MEMBERS.

Mr. Samuel Spratley of Birmingham, Dr. Vinrace of Birmingham, and Mr. Duncalfe of West Bromwich, having been previously elected members of the Parent Association, were unanimously elected members of the Branch.

CASES AND COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Certain Points in the Operation for the Radical Cure of Reducible Inguinal Hernia. By Oliver Pemberton, Esq.

Mr. Pemberton gave a detail of the particulars relating to eleven cases in which he had performed the operation. Three patients, two men and a boy, were at the same time submitted to the inspection of the members present; their ruptures having undergone complete cure.

2. On Vaccination, and the Laws relating to it and the Registration of Births. By J. S. Fletcher, Esq.

BATH AND BRISTOL BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

THE Ordinary Meeting of this Branch was held at the York House, Bath, on April 21st, under the Presidency of JAMES CRANG, Esq. There were present: W. H. Brace, Esq. (Bath); J. S. Bartrum, Esq. (Bath); E. Boulton, Esq. (Bath); C. Collins, Esq. (Chew Magna); J. H. Crisp, Esq. (Laycock); W. J. Church, Esq. (Bath); E. Crossman, Esq. (Hambrook); G. W. Dyke, M.D. (Chippenham); J. G. Davey, M.D. (Northwoods); W. Davies, M.D. (Bath); R. S. Fowler, Esq. (Bath); T. H. Hemming, M.D. (Freshford); James Godfrey, Esq. (Bristol); R. F. George, Esq. (Bath); R. C. Holland, Esq. (Bath); Jos. Hinton, Esq. (Charterhouse Hinton); W. Henderson, M.D. (Bristol); Jos. Lawrence, Esq. (Bath); J. Lancaster, L.R.C.P. (Bristol); C. Leonard, Esq. (Bristol); Jos. Metford, Esq. (Bristol); F. Mason, Esq. (Bath); E. S. Mayor, Esq. (Bristol); G. Norman, Esq. (Bath); A. Prichard, Esq. (Bristol); J. K. Spender, Esq. (Bath); R. N. Stone, Esq. (Bath); T. G. Stock-

well, Esq. (Bath); E. Skeate, Esq. (Bath); J. Tunstall, M.D. (Bath). There were present, as visitors, Messrs. Mayor and Winslow.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

NEW MEMBERS.

Charles Randell, Esq., of Westbury, and Matthew Willett, Esq., of Bristol, were ballotted for, and unanimously elected members of the Branch.

PAPERS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The following papers were read:

1. Treatment of Stricture of the Urethra. By George Norman, Esq.
2. The Application of Strong Nitric Acid in some Forms of Entropion. By Edmund Boulton, Esq.
3. On Nyctalopia. By Augustin Prichard, Esq.

These papers, with the discussions thereon, will be published in the JOURNAL.

Mr. J. Godfrey favoured the meeting with some observations on Teale's operation by rectangular flaps.

THE SALOPIAN MEDICO-ETHICAL SOCIETY:
PROPOSED AMALGAMATION WITH THE
SHROPSHIRE BRANCH.

At a special General Meeting of the Salopian Medico-Ethical Society, held at Dr. Styrap's, Shrewsbury, on Tuesday the 10th instant, RICHARD WILDING, Esq., in the chair, the following resolutions were, after considerable discussion, unanimously agreed to:—

1. Proposed by J. Y. ARROWSMITH, Esq., and seconded by RICHARD WILDING, Esq.—

"That this meeting, deeply sensible of the importance of union amongst medical men, and solicitous to promote, as far as practicable, the interests of the profession at large, willingly accords its assent to the proposal of the Shropshire Branch of the British Medical Association for an amalgamation with the Salopian Medico-Ethical Society."

2. Proposed by ALFRED MATHIAS, Esq., seconded by Wm. HOWLET, Esq.—

"That Mr. Arrowsmith, Mr. Fenton, and Dr. Styrap, be appointed, and hereby fully empowered, to confer with the Committee of the Shropshire Branch of the British Medical Association, and to effect an amalgamation upon such terms as may be found mutually advantageous: conditionally, however, that the General Bye-laws and Rules of the Salopian Medico-Ethical Society be adopted as those of the united Associations; and provided, also, that the existing rights and privileges of membership be conceded to such of the present members as may be unwilling or unable to join the British Medical Association."

3. Proposed by Dr. STYRAP, and seconded by T. FRYER WEBB, Esq.—

"That, in the event of the proposed union being effected, it will be desirable that the amalgamation date officially from January 1st, 1860, the commencement of the financial year of the British Medical Association."

A meeting of the Council, for the transaction of important business, was also held, at which resolutions were passed directing the solicitor to institute legal proceedings against various unqualified practitioners, and to sue in each case for the full penalty attached to illegal practice.

JUKES STYRAP, *Hon. Secretary.*

Shrewsbury, May 11th, 1859.

DR. DIONYSIUS LARDNER. This eminent contributor to science and scientific literature died on Thursday week in Paris, at the age of 66. Few, if any, scientific men have done more than he towards extending scientific knowledge among the people, and none were more eminently qualified for the work. Not only were his acquirements as profound as those of any man of his day, but he possessed in a peculiarly high degree that happy facility of throwing into popular and graphic language the most elaborate theories of science, and leading minds unaccustomed to scientific reasoning to an appreciation of scientific truths, which would have been altogether incomprehensible if involved in the obscurity of technical phraseology. Among his latest works will be remembered the excellent treatise on *Animal Physics*, and the *Physiology and Chemistry* for schools.

Medical News.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, AND
APPOINTMENTS.

* In these lists, an asterisk is prefixed to the names of Members of the Association.

BIRTHS.

- BERRY. On May 8th, at 19, Tysoe Street, Wilmington Square, the wife of Henry Thomas Berry, Esq., Surgeon, of a son.
- COLLINS. On May 9th, at 46, Gloucester Road, Regent's Park, the wife of W. J. Collins, M.D., of a son.
- DOLTON. On May 2nd, at St. Leonard's-on-Sea, the wife of W. B. Dolton, M.D., of a daughter.
- ELIN. On May 5th, at Hertford, the wife of George Elin, M.D., of a daughter.
- HEWITT. On May 7th, at 17, Radnor Place, Hyde Park, the wife of Graily Hewitt, M.D., of a daughter.
- JEFFERYS. On May 9th, at 2, St. Augustine Road, Camden Square, the wife of William Edward Jefferys, Esq., Surgeon, of a son.
- LAWRENCE. On April 30th, at Wandsworth, the wife of James E. Lawrence, Esq., Surgeon, of a daughter.
- MCWILLIAM. On May 8th, at 14, Trinity Square, Tower Hill, the wife of *J. O. McWilliam, M.D., C.B., R.N., of a daughter.
- NICHOL. On April 28th, at Denmark Hill, the wife of R. Nichol, M.D., of a son.
- NIHILL. On May 9th, at Lewisham, Kent, the wife of John Nihill, Esq., Surgeon R.N., of a son.
- PRESTON. On April 25th, at Oatlands, the wife of Augustus R. Preston, Esq., Surgeon H.M.S. *James Watt*, of a son.
- PUGH. On April 25th, at 18, Weymouth Street, Portland Place, the wife of Hugh Lewis Pugh, Esq., Surgeon, of a daughter.
- SMITH. On April 26th, at 76, Eccles Street, Dublin, the wife of R. Smith, Esq., Surgeon-Major, of a daughter.
- WALLICH. On May 3rd, at Guernsey, the wife of G. C. Wallich, M.D., Surgeon H.M. Indian Army, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

- CAHUSAC—WALKER. Cahusac, Basil B., Esq., of Maida Hill, to Marian, daughter of the late R. C. Walker, M.D., 3rd Light Dragoons, at St. Paul's Church, Camden Square, on May 10th.
- CORRINGHAM—EMERSON. Corringham, Robert Ward, Esq., of Gringley, Notts, to Susanna Isabella, third daughter of the late Alexander Lyon Emerson, M.D., Physician to the Forces, at All Saints Church, Hastings, on May 6th.
- KNIGHT—DUKE. Knight, Henry Alphonsus, Esq., of New Zealand, to Caroline Mary, second daughter of William Duke, M.D., of St. Leonard's-on-Sea, at the Oratory, Brompton, on May 5th.
- MANTELL—PELLEY. Mantell, A. A., M.D., Her Majesty's Bengal Army, to Eliza Eugenia, second daughter of the late John Hinde Pelly, Esq., Bombay Civil Service, at the Abbey, Bath, on May 3rd.
- MIDDLETON—YOUNG. Middleton, William Wiley, Esq., of Hitcham Abbey, Norfolk, to Jessie Peters, daughter of Epaphroditus Young, M.D., of Clapham Common, on April 30th.
- POTTER—MATTHEWS. *Potter, S. Reginald, M.D., of Bradninch, Devon, to Ducibella Jane, eldest daughter of Charles Matthews, Esq., of Earlsland, Bradninch, on May 5th.
- STEPHENSON—MANLOVE. Stephenson, Thomas Appleby, Esq., Surgeon, of Nottingham, to Annie, second daughter of Thomas Manlove, Esq., of Radford Grove, Nottinghamshire, at Old Radford, on May 4th.
- VERNET—WILLIS. Vernet, Henry, Esq., of Geneva, to Agnes, third daughter of *Robert Willis, M.D., of Barnes, on May 10th.
- WILLIAMS—LAMB. Williams, William Henry, Esq., Surgeon, of Plaistow, Essex, to Cordelia, second daughter of John Lamb, Esq., of North End House, Little Ilford.
- WOOD—DENNE. Woodd, Charles George, Esq., Surgeon, of Penge, Surrey, to Harriet, third daughter of the late Thomas Denne, Esq., of Tong, near Sittingbourne, at St. George's, Camberwell, on April 28th.

DEATHS.

BOUTFLOWER, John, Esq., Assistant-Surgeon Cape Mounted Rifles, near King William's Town, aged 24, on March 8th.
 BRIDGES, David, Esq., Surgeon, at Riverstown, Essequibo, British Guiana, on March 22nd.
 RADCLIFFE, Derwentwater, Esq., Surgeon, at Devonshire Street, Portland Place, aged 57, on May 1st.
 STEBBING. On May 5th, aged 86, Susanna Rebecca, daughter of the late George Stebbing, Esq., Surgeon, of Ipswich.

PASS LISTS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS. MEMBERS admitted at the meeting of the Court of Examiners, on Friday, April 29th, 1859:—

DAVIES, James Hamilton, Birmingham
 JENNINGS, Frederick Cook, Wakefield, Yorkshire
 LEESON, Thomas Richard, Blackburn, Lancashire

At the same meeting, the following gentlemen were reported to have passed their examinations in Anatomy and Physiology, and when eligible will be admitted to the final examinations for membership under the new regulations:—

St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

BROWNE, Frank	PAINE, William
DAVEY, Alexander George	PATTEN, Charles Arthur
DAVIES, Henry	PRIDHAM, John Williams
DAWSON, William Henry	RUSSELL, George Ireland
HARRISON, Charles	SUTTON, Henry Grant
JEAFFERSON, Horace	WILLIAMS, Evan Evans
LANCASTER, Wm. James	WILLIAMS, John
LLOYD, Evan	WILLIAMSON, Henry
MERRY, Robert Rosier	

University College Hospital.

CASE, George Henry	LYON, Isidore Bernadotte
BERNARD, John Coleston	MILLER, Richard May
GEE, Samuel James	PRINCE, Charles Edward
HARRIS, Francis Douglas	STEDMAN, James
HOLLAND, Edmund	

Guy's Hospital.

BENNETT, Hugh	FERNIE, Edward
BROMLEY, John Browne	MERCER, John Thomas
CALDWELL, W. T. Duncan	MORRIS, Isaac
DAVY, Richard	PARK, William
DUCE, James	

London Hospital.

BUSH, Danvers Ward	REED, Simon Cartwright
DAWSON, H. J. H. F.	RICHARDSON, Timothy
GAYTON, William	RUTTLEDGE, W. Frederick
KITCHING, Thomas	WELCH, Francis Henry

St. George's Hospital.

COX, William Henry	SEATON, Daniel
MANNING, F. Norton	STOCKWELL, Frederick
PARKER, George Fisher	WINTERBOTTOM, Edwin J.
OLIVE, Edward	

Charing Cross Hospital.

BENNETT, Charles	SHORTO, James Reeves
KERNOT, A. Bowerman	THANE, Wm. Dancer
MYERS, Charles John	TRAVERS, William
ORWIN, Thomas Wm.	

Middlesex Hospital.

DANE, Thomas	WALKER, Joseph
HAMMOND, Charles	WILLIAMS, Richard
RASON, C. Hector	WRIXON, Robert

King's College.

BAINES, Charles Williams	HUXLEY, Thomas Usher
FORTESCUE, George	WARD, Henry
HALL, Augustus Robinson	

St. Mary's Hospital.

FULLER, William Francis	SCOTT, William Herbert
KNIGHT, Thomas	

St. Thomas's Hospital.

KETTLE, Henry	TANNER, Mark Batt
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Westminster Hospital.

SMYTH, Christopher

Newcastle-on-Tyne School.

DAWSON, George	MARR, Joseph Benn
HUME, Henry	MOORE, James Foster

Hull School.

CHALMERS, John Erskine	SAVAGE, James
REYNOLDS, H. Fitzgerald	

Birmingham School.

NORRIS, Richard	WALLS, Charles
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Manchester School.

BROWN, David	COCKCROFT, John
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Bristol School.

MORGAN, John Albert	
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Leeds School.

GISBURN, Jno. Jas. Walker	
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Liverpool School.

SHELDON, Edwin Mason	
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Dublin.

SHORT, John	
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Edinburgh.

WATKIN, John	
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THE FELLOWSHIP. The following members of the College having undergone the necessary examinations, were admitted Fellows at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on Wednesday, May 11th:—

BRODHURST, Bernard Edward, Grosvenor Street: diploma of membership dated June 28th, 1844

CRONIN, James Dennis, Royal Navy: June 14th, 1844

DAVIS, Theodore, Great Russell Street: July 6th, 1855

DE LA GARDE, John Lempriere, Exeter: April 16th, 1855

DUFFIN, Alfred Rayhard, Langham Place: Oct. 12th, 1855
 FITZGERALD, Thomas George, Whitehall Yard: August 6th, 1850

GRAY, James Foster, Northampton: April 18th, 1856

GREENHOW, Henry Martineau, Garden Court, Temple: December 2nd, 1853

SMITH, Samuel M. C. Anderson, Claremont Square: January 22nd, 1847

TRAER, James Reeves, Hans Place, Chelsea: December 14th, 1855

The following members of the College, having been elected Fellows at previous meetings of the Council, were admitted as such on Thursday, May 12th:—

ASPLAND, Alfred, Dukinfield, Ashton-under-Lyne: diploma of membership dated April 20th, 1838

CUTFIELD, Alfred Baker, Deal: January 5th, 1836

OLDHAM, Riton, West Hartlepool: December 17th, 1841

APOTHECARIES' HALL. Members admitted on Thursday, April 21st, 1859:—

BIRD, Curtis James, Red River, Hudson's Bay

BRIGSTOCKE, Richard Whish, Milford, Pembrokeshire

DRAKE, Charles Henry, Kingsclere, Hants

HART, Walter, Church Street, Bethnal Green

HEPWORTH, Francis, Croft's Bank, Lancashire

HOCHEE, James, East Grinstead

MIKISCH, Ferdinand, Great Suffolk Street, Southwark

PICKFORD, Newbold, Manchester

PRIDDLE, George Luke, Poplar

At the same Court, the following gentlemen passed their first examination:—

ADAMS, Matthew Algernon, Margate

BRETTELL, Joseph, Dudley

CHALMERS, John Erskine, Hull

COCKCROFT, John, Middleham, Yorkshire

MAY, Joseph, Stoke, Devonport

POOR-LAW RELIEF (IRELAND). The expenditure during the year ending September 29th, 1858, was, for in-door maintenance, £266,157; for out-door relief, £3,133; salaries and rations of officers, £97,536; and all other expenses, £90,540; together, £457,367. Compared with the preceding year there appears to be a decrease of £26,527 for in-door maintenance, an increase of £722 for out-door relief, a decrease of £5,209 for salaries and rations of officers, and a decrease of £9,436 under the head of "all other expenses."

BARON VON HUMBOLDT. This celebrated philosopher died on Thursday May 5th, at Berlin, at the patriarchal age of 89. His labours, which have extended over more than half a century, will doubtless receive an elaborate recognition from the pen of the historian. But, as has been observed by a contemporary, to write a notice of Humboldt is no easy task. His canvass was the universe, and he used his pencil with a master hand. His mind grasped with iron strength everything it met, and, instead of being weakened by the immensity it was brought in contact with, its appetite grew with what it fed upon. To English readers, Humboldt is best known by his latest work, *Kosmos*, a work which alone would suffice to render his name immortal.

INDIAN ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE following warrant has been lately issued:—

1. The grades of medical officers in our Indian military forces shall be four in number*—namely,

1. Inspector-General of Hospitals.
2. Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, 1st class.
Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, 2nd class.
3. Staff or Regimental Surgeon, who, after twenty years service in India in any rank, shall be styled Surgeon-Major.
4. Staff or Regimental Assistant-Surgeon.

2. No candidate shall be admitted to the competitive examination for a commission in the Medical Department of our army who does not possess such a certificate or certificates as would qualify a civilian to practise medicine and surgery.

3. No assistant-surgeon shall be eligible for promotion to the rank of surgeon until he shall have passed such examination as our principal Secretary of State for India in Council may require, and shall have served in India with the commission of assistant-surgeon for five years, of which two shall have been passed in or with a regiment.

4. A surgeon, whether on the staff or attached to regiments, must have served ten years in India, of which two must have been passed, with the rank of surgeon, in or with a regiment, before he will be eligible for promotion to the rank of deputy inspector-general of hospitals.

5. A deputy inspector-general of hospitals must have served three years in India in the first or second grade of that rank before he shall be eligible for promotion to the rank of inspector-general.

In cases, however, of emergency, or when the good of the service renders such alteration desirable, it shall be competent for the Governor-General in Council to shorten the several periods of service above-mentioned, in such manner as he shall deem fit and expedient.

6. Assistant-surgeons shall, as a general rule, be promoted to the rank of surgeon in the order of their seniority in the service, unless unfit for the discharge of their duties from physical or professional incompetence or misconduct. In cases of distinguished service, however, an assistant-surgeon may be promoted by brevet, without reference to seniority; and in such cases, with a view to ensure the responsibility attaching to an appointment made out of the regular course of promotion, the recommendation in which the services of the officer shall be detailed shall be published in the General Orders of our Indian military forces, and in the *Gazette* in which his promotion appears.

7. All promotion from the rank of surgeon to that of deputy inspector, and from the rank of deputy-inspector to that of inspector, shall be given by selection for ability and merit; and the grounds of such selection shall be stated to us in writing, and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State for India in Council, the selection for the grades of deputy inspector being made from the whole rank of surgeons, whether styled surgeons or surgeons-major.

8. With a view to maintain the efficiency of the service, all medical officers of the rank of surgeon-major, surgeon, or assistant-surgeon, shall be placed on the retired list when they shall have attained the age of fifty-five years, and all inspectors-general and deputy inspectors-general when they shall have attained the age of sixty-five years.

9. The relative rank of the medical officers of our Indian military forces shall be as follows:—Staff or Regimental Assistant-Surgeon as a Lieutenant, according to the date of his commission; and after six years service in India, as Captain, according to the date of the completion of such service. Staff or Regimental Surgeons as Major, according to the date of his commission; and Surgeon-Major as Lieutenant-Colonel, but junior of that rank. Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals of the 2nd class as Lieutenant-Colonel, and Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals of the 1st class as Colonel, according to the dates of their appointments respectively.+

* In substitution for the existing grades; namely—
Inspector-General of Hospitals for Director-General of the Medical Department.
Deputy Inspector-General, 1st cl. for Inspector-General.
Do. do. 2nd cl. for Superintending-Surg.
Surgeon-Major for Senior-Surgeon.
Staff or Regimental Surgeon } as at present.
Do. Assistant-Surgeon }

+ Deputy Inspectors-General of Hospitals of Her Majesty's British Forces of less than five years service will have local rank as colonel while serving in India from the date of their arrival in that country, but without any consequent increase of pay.

Inspector-General of Hospitals as Brigadier-General, according to the date of his appointment; if with an army in the field, or after three years service in India as Inspector-General, as a Major-General, from the date of his joining such army in the field, or according to the date of the completion of such service.

10. Such relative rank shall carry with it all precedence and advantages attaching to the rank with which it corresponds (except as regards the presidency of courts-martial, where our will and pleasure is, that the senior combatant officer be always president), and shall regulate the choice of quarters, forage, and prize-money. But when a medical officer is serving with a regiment or detachment, the officer commanding, though he be junior in rank to such medical officer, is entitled to a preference in the choice of quarters.

11. Medical officers shall be entitled to all the allowances granted to our Indian military forces on account of wounds and injuries received in action, as combatant officers holding the same relative ranks.

12. Their families shall, in like manner, be entitled to all the allowances granted, under existing regulations, to the families of combatant officers holding the same relative ranks.

13. Medical officers shall be held entitled to the same honours as other officers of our army of equal relative rank.*

14. A medical officer, retiring after a service in India of twenty-five years and upwards, may, if recommended for the same by the head of his department, receive a step of honorary rank, but without any consequent increase of pay.

15. Six of the most meritorious medical officers of the army shall be named My Honorary Physicians, and six My Honorary Surgeons.

Given at our Court at Windsor, this 1st day of February, 1859, in the twenty-second year of our reign.

By Her Majesty's command, STANLEY.

THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF EDINBURGH.

THE following reasons of dissent against the resolution of the College of April 20th, refusing to restrict the licence to University graduates, have been forwarded to us for publication. Their date is April 26th—the same as that of the letter of the President of the College, published in last number.

1. Because the evident tendency, if not the purpose of the resolution, is to lower the constitution of the College, by creating in it a new order of general practitioners, who, not being medical graduates, nor surgeons, nor physicians, in the sense hitherto understood in Scotland, will have neither a distinguishing name nor a legal standing in this division of the United Kingdom.

2. Because the creation of such new order of general practitioners is not called for by the public interest, nor by any known circumstances in the condition of medicine or of society in Scotland.

3. Because such creation is not called for by the interests of the College.

4. Because, on the contrary, the measure is dangerous to the welfare of the College, as being of a kind to engender estrangement on the part of the graduates of Universities, to whom alone the College has been hitherto indebted for its prosperity and its reputation.

5. Because the creation of the new class of practitioners, which will be the result of the resolution in question, must give umbrage to other medical corporations in the United Kingdom, and more especially just cause of offence to the Royal College of Physicians of London, with whom this College has hitherto acted harmoniously in organising its constitution.

R. CHRISTISON.

We, the undersigned Fellows, adhere to the above reasons of dissent.

THOS. STEWART TRAILL.	J. HUGHES BENNETT.
WILLIAM ROBERTSON.	ROBERT PATERSON.
J. BROWN.	A. PEDDIE.
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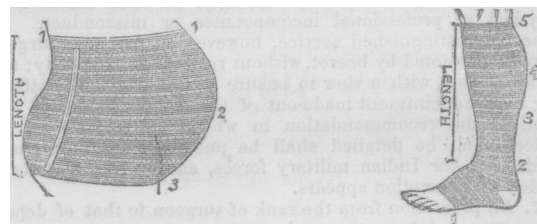
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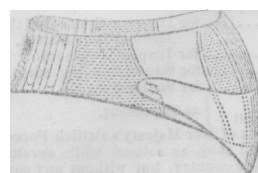
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