

## Association Intelligence.

### BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Twenty-Eighth Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be holden in Torquay, on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd days of August.

*President*—JAMES R. W. VOSE, M.D., F.R.C.P., Liverpool.

*President-elect*—C. RADCLIFFE HALL, M.D., F.R.C.P.L. and E., Torquay.

The Meetings of the Association will take place in the Bath Saloon.

#### WEDNESDAY, August 1st.

1 P.M. Meeting of Committee of Council at the Torquay Club.

2.30 P.M. Meeting of General Council of the Association at the Torquay Club.

7 P.M. First General Meeting of the Association in the Bath Saloon. The retiring President will make a few remarks. The new President will deliver an Address. The Report of Council will be presented, and other business transacted.

#### THURSDAY, August 2nd.

8.30 A.M. Public Breakfast at the Royal Hotel.

10 A.M. Meeting of the Members of the new Council.

11 A.M. Second General Meeting of Members. The Address in Medicine will be delivered by C. BARHAM, M.D., of Truro. Papers and Cases will be read. The Meeting will adjourn at One, and reassemble at Two.

2 P.M. The Report of the Benevolent Fund will be received, and Papers and Cases will be read. An Address in Ophthalmic Surgery will be delivered by W. J. SQUARE, Esq., of Plymouth. The meeting will adjourn at Five.

8.30 P.M. *Soirée* at the Bath Saloon.

#### FRIDAY, August 3rd.

11 A.M. Third General Meeting of Members. The Address in Surgery will be delivered by P. C. DE LA GARDE, Esq., of Exeter. Papers and Cases will be read.

6 P.M. Dinner at the Victoria Rooms. Tickets One Guinea each.

Gentlemen intending to be present at the Dinner, are requested to send notice, as early as possible, to WILLIAM POLLARD, Jun., Esq., Park Crescent, Torquay.

Members are requested to enter, on arrival, their names and addresses in the Reception Room at the Torquay Club; where cards will be supplied which will secure admission to all the Proceedings, and contain such information as may be useful to those who are strangers to the town.

Members who wish for previous information may communicate with W. POLLARD, Jun., Esq., Torquay.

It is particularly requested that all members who propose to read papers, will communicate with the General Secretary without delay. Papers are promised by Dr. Brown-Séquard; Dr. Woollaston; Dr. W. Budd; Dr. B. W. Richardson; Dr. W. O. Markham; and Dr. J. C. Bucknill.

Among the principal Hotels, are—the Royal; the Queen's; the Commercial; the Union; the London Inn.

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

Worcester, July 3rd, 1860.

### BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

NAME OF BRANCH.	PLACE OF MEETING.	DATE.
METROP. COUNTIES.	Crystal Palace,	Tues., July
[Annual Meeting.]	Sydenham.	17, 3 P.M.
READING.	Council Chamber,	Wed., July
[Annual Meeting.]	Reading.	18, 4 P.M.

[To prevent delay, Reports of Branch Meetings should be sent direct to the office, 37, Great Queen Street.]

### COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL: NOTICE OF MEETING.

THE Committee will meet at the Queen's Hotel, Birmingham, at one o'clock, on Thursday, the 19th inst.

*Business*:—Report of Council; Arrangements for Annual Meeting; the JOURNAL.

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

Worcester, July 3rd, 1860.

### NORTH WALES BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE eleventh annual meeting of this Branch was held at the Royal Hotel, Rhyl, on Tuesday, the 3rd of July, at one o'clock P.M.; A. E. TURNOUR, M.D., president, in the chair. There were also present:—J. C. DAVIES, M.D. (Holywell); R. DAVIES, Esq. (Llanfairtalhairn); T. T. GRIFFITH, Esq. (Wrexham); E. T. HUGHES, M.D. (Mold); J. R. HUGHES, M.D. (Denbigh); D. KENT JONES, Esq. (Beaumaris); Edwin JONES, M.D. (Rhyl); G. T. JONES, L.R.C.P.Ed. (Denbigh); Price JONES, L.R.C.P.Ed. (Rhyl); LL. LODGE, L.R.C.P.Ed. (St. Asaph); T. MORRIS, Esq. (Marford); O. ROBERTS, M.D. (St. Asaph); F. THEED, M.D. (Rhyl); E. P. WILLIAMS, M.D. (Denbigh); and J. WILLIAMS, Esq. (Holywell).

About an hour before the general meeting commenced, the retiring president (Dr. Theed) invited the members of the Council and others to assemble at his house, to arrange the preliminaries of the meeting, and to partake of his hospitality. Having a few days before met with an accident, he was unable to attend the annual meeting.

At one o'clock, the President-elect, Dr. Turnour of Denbigh, took the chair, when letters were read from Dr. Williams of Wrexham, Mr. R. Jones of Carnarvon, Mr. Eyton Jones of Wrexham, and others, stating their inability to attend, and heartily wishing the meeting every success.

*Report of Council.* The following report was read by the Secretary:—

"The Council of this Branch, while they do not desire to occupy much of your time with a lengthened report, are anxious to direct the attention of the members to some of the more important questions connected with the well-being of the profession.

"Your Council have noticed a discussion in the JOURNAL, originated by Mr. Dix of Hull, suggesting an alteration in the publication of that paper, as to whether it should continue in its present weekly issue, or appear fortnightly, or even monthly. Your Council wish to remit this subject for your consideration.

"Another matter for the expression of your opinion consists in the question as to whether an amendment is necessary in the Medical Act of 1858. Your Council will take this opportunity of saying, and they feel persuaded that their views will be fortified by all who have the interest and dignity of the profession at heart, that the Act is capable of considerable improvement. Perhaps the adoption of the propositions of the Northamptonshire Medical Registration and other kindred associations may tend to remove the evil complained of, and afford protection to qualified members. Some decisive step is assuredly called for, as, from the recent judgment of the Court of Queen's Bench, the quacks and various impostors have received great encouragement to continue in their nefarious practices, and will now more than ever feed upon the credulity of the public. It is to be hoped that the Medical Council will lose no time in arriving at a just appreciation of the magnitude of the present question, and agree to press upon Government the necessity of immediate legislation towards effecting the desired amendments in the Act.

"Your Council regret that the Poor-Law union surgeons have not yet obtained a redress of the grievances with which they have been so long oppressed, and would express the hope that a well-digested measure of reform may be brought forward in Parliament by Mr. Pigott, freed from the objections which were raised against the late Bill by the Poor-Law Board and boards of guardians.

"Your Council desire to bring prominently before the meeting the claim of the Medical Benevolent Fund of the Association for sympathy and support. The amount of good which this excellent charity dispenses amongst our unfortunate and distressed brethren, by the noiseless and delicate manner with which it grants its benefits, is incalculable; and as soon as the state of the funds of this Branch will permit, it would, in the opinion of your Council, be a kind and good course to present a donation to that institution.

"In conclusion, your Council are glad that they can report favourably upon the prospects and success of the North Wales Branch. They have no doubt that, as time rolls on, and its professional and social advantages are better understood, it will gather increased strength from the intelligent and respectable portion of the profession in the northern counties of the principality.

"The finances of the Branch exhibit a gradual increase, there being a balance of £6: 10: 6 to meet the current expenses of the year."

Dr. HUGHES (Mold) moved—

"That the report of Council be received and adopted."

Dr. ROBERTS (St. Asaph) having seconded the motion, it was unanimously agreed to.

*Vote of Thanks to the late President and Council.* Mr. GRIFFITH (Wrexham) moved, and it was unanimously accorded—

"That the best thanks of this meeting are due, and are hereby tendered, to Dr. Theed of Rhyl, the late president, and to the other members of the Council of this Branch, for their valuable services during the past year."

*President-elect, and Place of Meeting, for 1861.* It was moved by Dr. HUGHES of Mold, seconded by Dr. ROBERTS of St. Asaph, and was unanimously responded to by the meeting—

"That Thos. T. Griffith, Esq., of Wrexham, be the president-elect for 1861, and that Wrexham be the place of annual meeting for that year."

*Members of the Branch Council.* Upon the proposition of Dr. G. T. JONES of Denbigh, and seconded by Dr. LODGE of St. Asaph, it was agreed that the following members constitute the Council of the Branch for the current year, in addition to the officers mentioned in Bye-law 7, namely:—E. Williams, M.D. (Wrexham); O. Roberts, M.D. (St. Asaph); R. Jones, Esq. (Carnarvon); H. A. Roberts, Esq. (Brynmeurig); T. Morris, Esq. (Marford); J. Williams, Esq. (Holywell); and J. R. Jenkins, M.D. (Ruthin).

*Secretary and Treasurer.* It was moved by Dr. ROBERTS of St. Asaph, and seconded by Dr. EDWIN JONES of Rhyl, and carried—

"That Mr. Kent Jones be re-elected secretary and treasurer."

*Place of Meeting of next Branch Council.* Mr. DAVIES of Llanfair moved, and it was seconded by Mr. J. WILLIAMS of Holywell, and carried—

"That Rhyl be the place for the meeting of the next Branch Council, and that all members of the Branch be free to attend the same."

*The JOURNAL.* Dr. ROBERTS of St. Asaph moved, and it was seconded by Dr. HUGHES of Mold, and carried unanimously—

"That this meeting cannot coincide with the views and opinion of Mr. Dix of Hull respecting the alteration which he proposes in the publication and issue of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, which, as being the organ and the medium of communication between the members of the British Medical Association, is ably conducted by its talented editor, Dr. Wynter, and only requires more efficient support from ourselves and brother associates, with good and practical papers or contributions of high merit, to ensure for it that position in weekly medical literature to which it is properly entitled."

*The President's Address.* The President delivered his address, which was warmly applauded, and elicited, on the motion of Mr. Griffith, an unanimous vote of thanks, with a request that he be pleased to allow it to be published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

*Papers and Communications.* The following papers were read:—

1. On Delirium Tremens. By T. T. Griffith, Esq.

2. On Vaccination, and the possibility of rendering it more efficient than it appears to be at present. By E. T. Hughes, M.D., Mold.

3. A Calculus, of large size, from a boy of eighteen years, was exhibited; with Notes of the Case. By J. R. Hughes, M.D., Denbigh.

4. Preparation of Hernial Sac; and another Preparation of Gall-Bladder completely filled with Stones; with Remarks upon the two Cases. By O. Roberts, M.D., St. Asaph.

5. On the Surgical Treatment of Carbuncle. By F. Theed, M.D., Rhyl.

*Dinner.* The dinner took place at four o'clock at the Royal Hotel. The usual loyal, professional, and social toasts were proposed and responded to, and brought to conclusion another pleasant and interesting annual meeting.

## Reports of Societies.

### ROYAL MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY.

TUESDAY, JUNE 26TH, 1860.

F. C. SKEY, Esq., F.R.S., President, in the Chair.

ON CONGESTION OF THE HEART AND ITS LOCAL CONSEQUENCES.

BY WILLIAM JENNER, M.D.

THE author stated that the objects of this paper were to call attention to the occurrence of congestion of the muscular tissue of the heart, to the most common and direct consequences of that congestion—viz., induration and toughening of the walls of the heart—and to the influence which those changes of texture exercise on the development of dilatation of that organ, by rendering permanent every increase in capacity from over-distension, which would be temporary in a heart whose walls were normal. Impediment to the passage of the blood, Dr. JENNER said, through the right side of the heart, whatever its cause, must be attended by over-distension of the veins of the heart; and as very gradually developed, long continued, intermittent congestion of any organ, the functions of which are over actively performed, notwithstanding its congestion, is followed by induration, toughening, and hypertrophy, so the walls of the heart will, under the conditions specified, become harder, tougher, and thicker, than natural; and as these changes in the texture of the walls of any hollow viscus are the conditions which determine the occurrence of *permanent* dilatation of that viscus, when pressure on the inner surface of its walls is sufficient to over-distend them, so when these changes affect the walls of the heart, and there is great impediment to the escape of blood from its cavities, they lead to its permanent dilatation. After describing the general and microscopical characters of hearts, the walls of which are indurated, toughened, and thickened, from long continued congestion, the author detailed several cases, for the purpose of illustrating the general positions maintained in the paper.

ACUTE CARIES OF THE WALLS OF THE TYMPANIC CAVITY, PRODUCING ULCERATION OF THE INTERNAL CAROTID ARTERY.

BY JOSEPH TOYNBEE, F.R.S., F.R.C.S. ENG.

Cases of ulceration of the internal carotid artery, arising from caries of the walls of the tympanum, being so extremely rare that the author had found but one on record, he had been induced to lay the following case before the Society. W. C., aged 46, a jobbing builder, was admitted, under Mr. TOYNBEE'S care, at St. Mary's Hospital, as an out-patient, on August 18th, 1859. He was sallow and thin, and evidently out of health. Two years previously he had received a violent blow on the head above the left ear. Three months before his admission at the hospital, during a violent fit of coughing, he was seized with intense pain in the left ear, which became constant; this pain was followed by discharge, which was also constant. In spite of all treatment, the pain and discharge continued; and on January 16th, blood of a bright red colour came from the ear, and continued to do so at intervals until January 27th, when the patient died.

Upon a *post mortem* inspection, the upper and anterior osseous walls of the tympanum were found to be carious, and there was a large aperture communicating with the cavity of the canalis caroticus. A small ulcerated opening was found in the internal carotid artery, through which the hæmorrhage had taken place.

ON BRIGHT'S DISEASE, CONSIDERED IN RELATION TO ITS ORIGIN IN THE TUBES THEMSELVES, OR IN THE INTERTUBULAR STRUCTURES. BY W. H. DICKINSON, M.B. CANTAB.

The object of this paper was to show that all the forms of diseased kidney, large and small, rough and smooth, were capable of arrangement into two great classes; that in one there was disease proper to the secreting surface of the tubes, while in the other there was disease essentially of the structures between them; and that the great characteristic difference between these two conditions was the presence or absence of superficial granulation.

[As Dr. DICKINSON'S views on this interesting subject have already been laid before our readers, in an abstract of his graduation thesis, published at p. 603 of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL for July 30th, 1859, we may be excused, considering the demands on our space, from reproducing them here. EDITOR.]

the rest. These I desire to lay before the members of Parliament in the form of a pamphlet, and thus show the entire working of the proposed system; but it will depend on the profession whether I am to do this or not. At present, I have but a few pounds in hand, and must leave the Bill to its fate unless medical men will come forward speedily and give me the means to set the printers at work. A favourable impression, I am assured, has been made on Parliament; and I know that we have in Mr. Pigott a zealous advocate of the cause. He works well for the medical men, because he knows that in so doing he will benefit the poor; and what is for their welfare he feels assured is for the benefit of the ratepayer: and the time will come when the guardians will view the subject in the same light.

In the hope of inducing the Poor-law Board to see the necessity of aiding us in the much needed reform, I sent them a summary of the calculations of the present and proposed payment in each union in five whole divisions of the kingdom, with also separate calculations of each medical officer's salary in two hundred and nine unions scattered through the divisions. Hoping the tediousness of looking over these papers might be a little relieved by a few foot-notes, I appended several.

Before this is in print, I hope you will have seen by the daily papers that the Bill has been introduced; if not, it doubtless will be before long; but it has to be put into legal form, which may delay it a short time. The expense of this will, I fear, leave me penniless.

I am, etc.,

RICHARD GRIFFIN.

12, Royal Terrace, Weymouth, July 9th, 1860.

P.S. As soon as the medical officers see the Bill is introduced into the House, I hope they will petition in its favour, and do all they can with their members.

## Medical News.

### BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, AND APPOINTMENTS.

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

#### BIRTHS.

Of daughters, the wives of—

CURRIE, Samuel, M.D., Deputy-Inspector-General of Hospitals, at Queen's Terrace, Bayswater, on July 6.

DAVIES, Herbert, M.D., Finsbury Circus, on July 5.

NEWHAM, Thomas, M.D., Winslow, on July 6.

#### MARRIAGES.

ALLINSON, John, Esq., Surgeon, Spital Square, to Annie C., eldest daughter of S. FARNFIELD, Esq., of Woolwich, at Lee, on July 4.

CROSSFIELD, A., Esq., Solicitor, Hackney Road, to Miranda E., youngest surviving daughter of Wm. G. KING, L.R.C.P.Ed., of South Hackney, on July 5.

KENNY, the Rev. Lavis S., rector of Kirby Knowle, Yorkshire, second son of \*M. S. Kenny, M.D., of Halifax, to Arabella E. M., eldest daughter of Lieut.-Col. H. WALKER, of Wellesley House, Kent, at Plumstead, on July 5.

MONYPENNY, P. Howard, Esq., to Emma M., fourth daughter of \*John McMUNN, M.D., of Dublin, on July 5.

ROBERTS, David, M.D., to Miss Elizabeth Ann HARMER, at Christchurch, Marylebone, on June 29.

SMITH, Robert, M.D., Sedgfield, Durham, to Jane M., eldest daughter of the Very Reverend P. C. CAMPBELL, D.D., Principal of University and King's College, Aberdeen, on June 27.

WARD, Thomas M., Esq., Surgeon, of Exmouth, to Mary, second daughter of the late John LOVEGROVE, Esq., of Gloucester, on July 4.

#### DEATHS.

O'BRIEN, Thomas, M.D., late of the General Hospital at Calcutta, lately.

TORR, Thomas B., Esq., Surgeon, Barnstaple, aged 54, on June 29.

VAN OVEN, Barnard, M.D., at 32, Manchester Square, aged 63, on July 9.

#### PASS LISTS.

APOTHECARIES' HALL. LICENTIATES admitted on Thursday, July 5th, 1860:—

BLACKMAN, Matthew, M.R.C.S., Strickland, Edward, Kirby Ramsgate Moorside  
BUSH, Danvers W., Weston, TRUMAN, Edgar B., Nottingham near Bath ham

The following gentlemen also, on the same day, passed their first examination:—

ARMSTRONG, S., Woodbridge MARTIN, Thomas, Manchester  
BUCKMASTER, Chas. A., King's School of Medicine  
COLLEGE MURRELL, William H. J., St.  
EDYE, Stonard, Exeter Bartholomew's Hospital  
ELLIS, Heber Dowling, St. SHAPLAND, John D., University  
Bartholomew's Hospital College  
ELWES, Chas. W., University SMITH, Thomas S., University  
College College  
FENN, E. B., Ardleigh, Essex STEPHENSON, William, St. Bar-  
GRENFELL, H., King's College tholomew's Hospital  
LONGWORTHY, William F., St. SUTCLIFFE, Henry, University  
Bartholomew's Hospital College

DR. ACLAND, of Oxford, has sailed for Canada as medical attendant to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, during his visit to that country.

SURGERY IN THE IONIAN ISLANDS. Mr. W. T. Harding, Staff Assistant-Surgeon, writing to the *Dublin Medical Press* from Cerigo, gives the following curious account of an operation which lately came under his notice:—"About a week ago, I was in company with another officer spending a day at the Convent of Myrtidiæ (a church situated at the northern point of this island, and remarkable no less for the beauty of its architecture than for being the situation where it is believed by the Greeks the image of the Virgin and Child were discovered); suddenly, our attention was attracted by the sounds of screams which proceeded from one of the cells beneath, and, on inquiring the cause, I was informed that an old woman, aged 75, had been bitten by a small black spider, called by the people here 'the Rena', the effects of which produce violent inflammation, and sometimes mortification. The native professor immediately caused a large oven to be lighted, and when sufficiently heated, the old woman was tied on a board and put into it. After the lapse of about five minutes, she was taken out by means of a long shovel (similar to those used by bakers in withdrawing their loaves); in a minute or two, she was again put in, and this process was repeated seven times, the entire operation occupying about forty minutes. She was then brought out, wrapped up in blankets, and put into a warm room. Profuse perspiration immediately covered the entire surface of the body, and this lasted for more than a couple of hours. Before my leaving the place in the evening, I again saw her, when she said she felt quite well, but a little weak—the effects, no doubt, of the residence in her caloric apartment."

#### HEALTH OF LONDON—JULY 7TH, 1860.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Births.	Deaths.
During week .....	{ Boys.. 879 } 1667 ..	919
	{ Girls.. 788 }	
Average of corresponding weeks 1850-9 .....	1467 ..	1115
Among the causes of death were—bronchitis, 24; pneumonia, 23; phthisis, 144; small-pox, 17; scarlatina, 33; measles, 46; diphtheria, 3; hooping-cough, 27. The deaths from pulmonary diseases (exclusive of phthisis) were 90, being 13 below the corrected average.		
Barometer:		
Highest (Mon.) 30.234; lowest (Wed.) 30.019; mean 30.126.		
Thermometer:		
In sun—highest (Th.) 123.0 degrees; lowest (Wed.) 102.0 degrees.		
In shade—highest (Th.) 73.3 degrees; lowest (Th.) 41.6 degrees.		
Mean—58.5 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs.—3.0 degrees.		
Range—during week, 31.7 degrees; mean daily, 21.9 degrees.		
Mean humidity of air (saturation=100), 82.		
Mean direction of wind, N.W.—Rain in inches, 0.00.		

#### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Members should remember that corrections for the current week's JOURNAL should not arrive later than Wednesday.

Communications have been received from:—DR. LIONEL BEALE; MR. T. W. NUNN; MR. TAMPLIN; DR. T. SKINNER; MR. R. FAIRCLOTH; DR. B. CHEVALLIER; DR. A. T. H. WATERS; MR. ED. GRIFFIN; DR. T. INMAN; MR. W. DEANS; DR. G. WYSE; DR. LAWFOED; AN OBSERVER; DR. E. SMITH; DR. GIBB; MR. A. E. DURHAM; DR. C. B. RADCLIFFE; DR. B. W. RICHARDSON; DR. THUDICUM; DR. P. H. WILLIAMS; VICTOR; DR. T. H. BARKER; MR. H. WALTON; MR. P. C. PRICE; DR. GUY; MR. C. MAYO; DR. J. H. CORBETT; DR. M. FOSTER; and MR. J. F. NICHOLSON.