

Association Intelligence.

VACANCY IN THE EDITORSHIP OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL.

As the office of Editor of the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL will become vacant on the 31st of December next, it is requested that all candidates for the appointment will communicate, not later than the 17th of November, with Dr. Williams of Worcester, and forward to him, with their testimonials, the scheme they propose for conducting the JOURNAL.

CHARLES HASTINGS, KNT., M.D., ETC.,
President of Council.

Worcester, October 23rd, 1860.

SHROPSHIRE ETHICAL BRANCH: ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Annual Meeting of the Shropshire Ethical Branch was held at the Lion Hotel, Shrewsbury, on Monday, October 15th, 1860, at 1 o'clock; HENRY FENTON, Esq., President, in the Chair. The following members were also present: J. Y. Arrowsmith, Esq. (Shrewsbury); Peploe Cartwright, Esq. (Oswestry); W. Eddowes, Esq. (Pontesbury); W. Fuller, M.B. (Oswestry); John D. Harries, Esq. (Shrewsbury); F. H. Hartshorne, Esq. (Broseley); Jos. Hickman, Esq. (Brockton); John R. Humphreys, Esq. (Shrewsbury); William N. Kempster, Esq. (West Felton); John W. Procter, Esq. (Madeley); William A. Provis, Esq. (Shrewsbury); Jukes Styrap, L.R.C.P.I. (Shrewsbury); Wm. Thursfield, Esq. (Bridgnorth); F. Whitwell, Esq. (Shrewsbury).

Communications were received from numerous other practitioners resident in the country, expressing their intentions to be present at the meeting and dinner, but were unavoidably prevented.

The Chair was taken by William Thursfield, Esq., the retiring President, who, after the minutes of the last annual meeting had been read and confirmed, proposed (in consequence of the resignation of the President-elect) that HENRY FENTON, Esq., be elected President, which was seconded by J. R. Humphreys, Esq., and carried unanimously. Mr. Fenton, on assuming the chair, briefly addressed the meeting, thanking them for the honour conferred upon him.

Vote of Thanks. It was proposed by Mr. HARTSHORNE, seconded by Mr. PROCTER, and resolved unanimously—

"That the cordial thanks of the meeting be given to the late President, Vice-Presidents, Council, Treasurer, and Honorary Secretary, for their valuable services during the past year."

Election of Officers. It was proposed by Mr. ARROWSMITH, seconded by Mr. THURSFIELD, and resolved unanimously—

"That this meeting, viewing with much regret Dr. Styrap's retirement from the presidentship, hasten to assure him of their continued and unshaken confidence in his consistently upright and honourable conduct; and, as an earnest of such assurance, it hereby re-elects him to the post which he has recently vacated."

"They also deem this a fitting opportunity to offer to Dr. Styrap their best thanks for his past invaluable services to the Society."

It was proposed by Mr. HICKMAN, seconded by Mr. WHITWELL, and resolved unanimously—

"That Thomas Groom and James Bratton, Esqs., be elected Vice-Presidents, and the following gentlemen members of the Council for the ensuing year, in the place of those who retire by rotation:—J. Y. Arrowsmith, Esq.; A. G. Brookes, Esq.; W. J. Clement, Esq.; S. B. Gwynn, Esq.; and F. J. Sandford, Esq."

It was proposed by Mr. CARTWRIGHT, seconded by Mr. ARROWSMITH, and resolved unanimously—

"That Dr. Styrap be requested to continue his services as Secretary to this Branch for the ensuing year."

New Member of the Branch. It was proposed by Dr. STYRAP, seconded by Dr. FULLER, and resolved unanimously—

"That Wm. Nayler Kempster, Esq., be elected a member."

Vote of Thanks to the President. It was proposed by Dr. FULLER, seconded by Mr. EDDOWES, and carried by acclamation—

"That the warmest thanks of the members present be given to the President, Henry Fenton, Esq., for the courtesy and ability with which he has conducted the business of the meeting, and for his uniform efforts to promote the honour and interests of the profession."

The Dinner. The members (with the exception of W. Eddowes, Esq., and J. D. Harries, Esq.) present at the general meeting reassembled at 3 p.m., with James Bratton, Esq. (Shrewsbury), W. J. Clement, Esq. (Shrewsbury), J. H. Eddowes, Esq. (Shrewsbury), Thomas Groom, Esq. (Whitchurch), and J. N. Heathcote, Esq. (Shrewsbury), and partook of a sumptuous and admirably served dinner, under the presidency of Henry Fenton, Esq. During the evening, various vocal and instrumental solo and concerted pieces were executed by a select band of musicians from Birmingham, and contributed greatly to the pleasures of the party; indeed, it was remarked by several old associates, that they had never attended a more agreeable and harmonious meeting.

BIRMINGHAM AND MIDLAND COUNTIES BRANCH: ORDINARY MEETING.

A GENERAL meeting of this Branch was held at the Hen and Chickens Hotel, Birmingham, on October 19th; EDWARD MOORE, Esq., President, in the Chair. There were also present: A. Allcock, Esq. (Smethwick); G. F. Bodington, Esq. (Kenilworth); D. Bolton, Esq. (Birmingham); E. Cheshire, Esq. (Birmingham); R. S. Cooper, Esq. (Bilston); J. R. Davies, Esq. (Birmingham); R. W. Davies, Esq. (Birmingham); W. Downes, Esq. (Handsworth); H. Duncalfe, Esq. (West Bromwich); G. Fayrer, M.D. (Henley-in-Arden); Bell Fletcher, M.D. (Birmingham); T. S. Fletcher, Esq. (Bromsgrove); J. S. Gaunt, Esq. (Alvechurch); J. J. Hadley, Esq. (Birmingham); A. Hill, M.D. (Birmingham); W. Hinds, M.D. (Birmingham); T. Howkins, Esq. (Birmingham); G. Jones, Esq. (Birmingham); F. Jordan, Esq. (Birmingham); W. J. Kite, Esq. (West Bromwich); W. Lines, M.D. (Wednesbury); J. B. Melson, M.D. (Birmingham); E. D. Moore, Esq. (Walsall); T. Moore, Esq. (Halesowen); J. R. Nicholson, M.D. (Redditch); O. Pemberton, Esq. (Birmingham); J. V. Solomon, Esq. (Birmingham); C. Somerville, M.R.C.P. (Bloxwich); S. Spratley, Esq. (Birmingham); S. Thomson, M.D. (Burton-on-Trent); T. Underhill, Esq. (Great Bridge); H. Walker, M.D. (Brierly Hill); C. Warden, M.D. (Birmingham); C. E. E. Welchman, Esq. (Lichfield); T. W. Williams, Esq. (Birmingham); C. Yarwood, Esq. (Birmingham); G. Yates, Esq. (Birmingham); and as visitors, J. Baines, Esq.; J. S. Gamgee, Esq.; D. Nelson, M.D.; W. S. Partridge, Esq.—of Birmingham; and G. Whympers, Esq. (Walsall).

New Members. Mr. George Bury, of Handsworth, Mr. W. H. Cooke, of Aldridge, Mr. T. Vincent Jackson, of Wolverhampton, and Mr. George Smith, of Birmingham, members of the Association, were unanimously elected members of the Branch.

Alteration in Law 3 of Branch. Mr. T. W. WILLIAMS proposed, Dr. MELSON seconded, and it was carried unanimously—

"That its executive government be conducted by a Council, consisting of a President, President-elect, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and sixteen ordinary members, eight of whom shall be resident in the country, and eight in Birmingham."

Dr. BELL FLETCHER proposed, Dr. MELSON seconded, and it was carried unanimously—

"That Mr. J. V. Solomon be appointed a member of the Council of the Branch."

Notice. Mr. KITE and Mr. PEMBERTON gave notice that, at the next meeting of the Branch, one of them would move the adoption of the following resolution, with the view of limiting the time occupied by the business matters at the scientific meetings.

"That all general meetings of the Branch shall, in future, be called for six o'clock; and that discussion of matters of business shall not be prolonged after half-past six, but by the vote of the majority of the members present."

Communications. 1. M. GROUT of Hamburg, whose novel electrical experiments in reference to the heart's action, and that of the larger arteries, as seen through his congenital fissure in the sternum, have caused much interest in the profession, was introduced to the meeting by Dr. Fletcher. M. GROUT delivered a most able and lucid address, and terminated

by a demonstration of the malformation of which he is the subject.

2. Cases of Cerebritis. By H. Duncalfe, Esq. [This paper will be published in the JOURNAL.]

ROCHESTER, MAIDSTONE, GRAVESEND, AND DARTFORD DISTRICT MEETINGS, IN CONNEXION WITH THE SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH.

The second meeting for the present session was held at the Star Hotel, Maidstone, on Friday, October 26th, at 2.45 p.m.; FREDERICK FRY, Esq., President of the Branch, in the Chair. There were also present: C. L. Allwork, Esq. (Maidstone); J. Armstrong, M.D. (Gravesend); F. Barham, Esq. (Maidstone); F. J. Brown, M.D. (Rochester); J. J. D. Burns, M.D. (Chatham); J. M. Burton, Esq. (Lee Park); D. Culhane, Esq. (Dartford); James Dulvey, M.D. (Brompton, Chatham); H. M. Gould, Esq. (Watlingbury); W. Hoar, Esq. (Maidstone); J. H. Gramshaw, Esq. (Gravesend); H. W. Joy, Esq. (Maidstone); W. F. Keddell, Esq. (Aylesford); A. Martin, M.D. (Rochester); C. J. Pinching, Esq. (Gravesend); F. Plomley, M.D. (Maidstone); J. C. Prance, Esq. (Maidstone); W. Sankey, Esq. (Sutton Valence); J. W. Woodfall, M.D. (Maidstone); with the following gentlemen as visitors: G. Bottomley, Esq. (Croydon); G. H. Furber, Esq. (Maidstone); T. H. Lowry, M.D. (Town Malling); and W. Richardson, M.D. (Tunbridge Wells).

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

New Member. Thomas H. Lowry, M.D., of Town Malling, was unanimously elected a member of the Association and of the Branch, in due accordance with the laws of the Association.

Communications. The following communications were then read:—

1. On Certain Kinds of Uterine Hæmorrhage occurring at or near the Full Term of Gestation. By John Armstrong, M.D.
2. Case of Suppression of Urine, connected with Disease of the Kidneys: illustrated by the Preparation. By J. M. Burton, Esq.
3. On Latent Pleurisy. By J. M. Burton, Esq.
4. Case of Sloughing of the Breast, connected with Lactation. By C. L. Allwork, Esq.
5. Case of Imperforate Anus, with Operation: Death: Post Mortem Appearances: and the Preparation. By F. Fry, Esq.

These papers having severally been discussed, the united thanks of the meeting were given to those gentlemen who had furnished them, and they were requested to allow them to be published in the JOURNAL. Thanks were also accorded to the President, after which the members and their friends adjourned to dinner.

Editor's Letter Box.

POOR-LAW MEDICAL REFORM.

LETTER FROM R. GRIFFIN, Esq.

SIR,—I shall feel obliged by your allowing me space in your JOURNAL to inform the Poor-law medical officers that I have this day ordered a draught of the proposed Bill on Poor-law Medical Relief to be forwarded to each medical officer for his opinion. As it is possible, among so many and frequent changes, that the names of a few gentlemen may have been omitted, I must request those who do not receive a copy by the 8th instant, but desire to have one, to address a note to me to that effect. I am, etc., RICHARD GRIFFIN.

12, Royal Terrace, Weymouth, November 1st, 1860.

DIABETES TREATED BY HOT-AIR BATHS.

LETTER FROM G. M. SWINHOE, Esq.

SIR,—Having read, in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of October 13th, Mr. Wilson's paper on the Heat-Cure, I am induced to forward the inclosed report of a case that has happened in my practice, in order that you may publish it, if you think fit.

W. W., a mechanic, a married man, aged 40, applied to me in November last, 1859, with all the symptoms of diabetes, viz., general debility, extreme aching pain in the loins, dry tongue,

great thirst, voracious appetite, constipation, dry cough, etc. The specific gravity of his urine (of which he passed from nine to twelve quarts in the twenty-four hours) was 1040; it contained plenty of sugar. His previous history was that of a moderate man, and for the last two years he had been a teetotaler. His work as a spring-maker subjected him to extreme and frequent changes of temperature. I prescribed iron and opium, and regulated the diet so as to exclude all articles containing sugar as much as possible. Under this treatment, he improved, and continued at his work until the end of the following April, when, feeling himself much better, he could not resist the temptation of a dish of potatoes, of which he freely partook, and came to me as bad as ever. I now added to my former treatment vapour baths; but these produced so much exhaustion, that I was obliged to discontinue them, and he to give up work. I now determined to try the hot-air baths, and sent him to London for the purpose. From these he derived such benefit that he was soon able to resume his work; and, having built a bath at the back of his cottage, he has been able to take them regularly, and to give up medicine for the last three or four months. He is now as strong as ever he was in his life; and, notwithstanding a total disregard of all diet regulations, his urine is now scanty, with a specific gravity of 1018, and has lost its sugar. I am, etc., G. M. SWINHOE.

New Swindon, October 1860.

THE ACTION OF MERCURY ON THE LIVER.

LETTER FROM A. WYNN WILLIAMS, M.D.

SIR,—The reasonings put forward in the paper on the above subject in the last week's number of the JOURNAL induce me to make a few observations thereon.

The universal belief in the beneficial effects of mercury on diseases of the liver is, I believe, with all due deference to the opinion of the author of the paper, a correct one. Nevertheless, I quite agree with him that it has no direct action on the liver itself; also that blue pill relieving biliousness is no proof of the *direct* action of mercurials on the liver; likewise, that calomel irritates the stomach and bowels, although I cannot recognise the impossibility of its reaching the liver. It finds its way through the circulation into the salivary glands, and I know no reason why it may not in a similar manner reach the liver. I do not mean to assert that it does do so, but only that I see no reason why it should not, as it is not by irritating the liver that its therapeutic effects are produced. I can readily understand that the green stools in children are not produced by the action of calomel on the liver; also that the cause of the alteration in the clayey whitish stools is not due to increased action of the liver in the first instance, but that this is due to increased action of the glands of the mucous membranes of the intestines.

Without doubt, calomel or mercury, as has been clearly pointed out, diminishes the action of the liver; and it is, I think, equally plain that this is accomplished by increasing the action of the mucous, salivary, and other glands; thus not only acting as a revulsent by stimulating these into increased action, but thereby diminishing the work of the liver. If, then, mercury does thus act, how great must be the benefit it exerts secondarily on the liver!

I am convinced that rest is the great restorative of the animal frame when weakened by disease or overwork; and anything that conduces to produce this effect on a disordered organ, in whatever manner it may do so, ought to be classed amongst the chief remedial agents to be used, *ceteris paribus*, in the treatment of that diseased organ.

Mercury acts beneficially on the liver by diminishing its work, as is demonstrated by the diminution in the amount of its secretion at the same time that it increases the action of other organs that act vicariously to it; thus affording Nature that opportunity, of which she is always so ready to avail herself, to repair and remove any lesion, or tendency to lesion, that she is capable of doing, whether it be congestion, inflammation, or any other curable disorder, and which she has no opportunity of doing until the work of the liver has been in some degree diminished.

By way of illustration, we will suppose that a man has disarranged the functions of the liver by excess in eating and drinking. It is well known that, if he discontinues this, and, as it is termed, starves himself, Nature will of herself soon put matters to rights. Supposing he does not thus desist, but takes a blue pill and black draught, he still finds relief, which would be permanent, provided he did not again return to his former ex-

and from his own argument, is in these terms. "With the mass of evidence before us, it is impossible for us to subscribe to the popular belief that calomel increases the secretions of the liver."

Dr. Inman's statements and reasoning labour to show that calomel produces no other effect than senna or any other simple purgative, and that its action is only on the glands of the mucous membrane. I have attempted to show that he is not justified by any facts or arguments he has adduced in seeking to subvert a doctrine so practical and universal that it may almost rank as a principle; and that more conclusive facts and closer reasonings are necessary before we of the "old school" abandon our faith in calomel and blue pill.

I am, etc., HENRY COOPER, M.D. Lond., F.R.C.P.,
Physician to the Hull General Infirmary, etc.

Hull, October 27th, 1880.

Medical News.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS, AND APPOINTMENTS.

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

BIRTHS.

Of sons, the wives of—

*COOTE, Holmes, Esq., New Bridge Street, on October 23.
DUNCAN, Thomas, M.D., Richmond, on October 17.
*TERRY, George, Esq., Mells, near Frome, on October 26.

Of daughters, the wives of—

*BROWN, John Dan, M.D., Rochester, on October 24.
*KEVERN, C. T. S., Esq., H.M.S. *Cornwallis*, at Hull, on October 26.
MEADOWS, Alfred, M.D., Cavendish Place, on October 22.

MARRIAGES.

CRAWFORD, William, M.B., Surgeon Royal Navy, to Marian C., only daughter of the late Rev. John STODDART, D.D., rector of Lowick and Islip, Northamptonshire, at All Saints' Church, St. John's Wood, on October 25.
DAWES, Spencer, Esq., to Jane, daughter of Jason LARDNER, Esq., Surgeon Royal Navy, at Gillingham, Kent, on Oct. 25.
HOLMAN, J. R., M.D., Surgeon H.M. yacht *Osborne*, to Adelaide Sarah, younger surviving daughter of the late John WHITMARSH, Esq., of the Royal Hospital, Greenwich, at St. George's, Hanover Square, on October 25.
MATTHEW, Thomas P., Esq., Staff-Surgeon-Major, Royal Army, to Emilie F., fifth daughter of E. Young, M.D., late of Clapham Common, at Fitcham, Norfolk, on October 27.
NEWINGTON, Robert S., Esq., Surgeon, Aberdare, eldest son of S. W. Newington, Esq., Goudhurst, Kent, to Lucy S., second daughter of the late S. WALKER, Esq., at St. Matthew's, Denmark Hill, on October 17.
RABY, Captain D. A., 5th Battalion Military Train, to Juliana, second daughter of Richard SROKOE, Esq., Surgeon, Peckham Rye, at St. Giles's, Camberwell, on October 25.
SUTTON, John, Esq., eldest son of John Sutton, Esq., Surgeon, Finsbury, to Rebecca, fourth surviving daughter of James WHITMARSH, Esq., of Honiton, at St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, on October 17.

DEATHS.

MARCHANT. On October 25, at Hampton Wick, aged 6 years, Georgina Annie, only child of the late Staff-Surgeon W. R. Marchant.
MUSCROFT, George, M.D., at Pontefract, aged 35, on Oct. 17.
SCOTT. On October 11, at Malta, Martha, the wife, and James Edward M., infant son, of James E. Scott, M.D., Surgeon Rifle Brigade.
*TURNER, Richd., Esq., Tunbridge Wells, aged 44, on Oct. 20.

PASS LISTS.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS. MEMBERS admitted at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on Oct. 20th:—
COOK, Robert F., Gateshead HAMMOND, E. C., Cambridge
DINHAM, George J., Mile End STERLING, Hauteville H. J.,
EYELEY, Joseph F., Llanymynech Deal
nech, North Wales

At the same meeting of the Court—

BARTLETT, Walter Frederick Cope, late of the Royal Naval Hospital, Hong Kong, passed his examination as Naval Surgeon. This gentleman had previously been admitted a member of the College: his diploma bearing date August 8th, 1856.

APOTHECARIES' HALL. LICENTIATES admitted on Thursday, October 25th, 1880:—

BATHO, Wm., Amesbury	PHILLIPS, George G., New-
COWARD, C. T., Stepney	castle Emlyn
DALTON, F. G., Westerham	WILLIAMS, Eliezer, Llandilo,
	Cardiganshire

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

CRIBB, William, Camden Town
RAWSON, Edwin, Wilsden, near Bingley

SOCIETY FOR RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF MEDICAL MEN IN LONDON AND ITS VICINITY. The half-yearly general meeting of the members of this Society was held on October 10th. It appeared that, during the first half of this year, thirty-eight widows and twenty-two children of former members had received half-yearly grants amounting to £809; besides grants towards self-maintenance to children, £45. A grant was specially made by this meeting of £30 towards apprenticing an adult deaf and dumb son of a late member. Dr. John Clarke having withdrawn from the office of acting Treasurer, a warm vote of thanks was passed to him for his valuable services during the past five years. The following members were then elected officers and directors for the ensuing year, viz.:—*President*: Thomas Arthur Stone, Esq. *Vice-Presidents*: Martin Ware, Esq.; Everard A. Brande, Esq.; John Nussey, Esq.; Sir B. C. Brodie, Bart., F.R.S.; Peter M. Latham, M.D.; John Bacot, Esq.; Thomas Turner, M.D.; D. Henry Walne, Esq.; A. J. Sutherland, M.D., F.R.S.; Edward Teggart, Esq.; E. Stanley, Esq., F.R.S.; Geo. Burrows, M.D., F.R.S. *Treasurers*: John Miles, Esq.; James T. Ware, Esq.; G. Hamilton Roe, M.D. (Acting). *Directors*: Robert Nairne, M.D.; William Cathrow, Esq.; Edgar Barker, Esq.; James Paget, Esq., F.R.S.; John Adams, Esq.; F. J. Farre, M.D.; A. B. Barnes, Esq.; Edward Dew, M.D.; John Love, Esq.; H. A. Pitman, M.D.; Chas. Collambell, Esq.; Benjamin Travers, Esq.; B. G. Babington, M.D.; J. Wetherfield, Esq.; John J. Sawyer, Esq.; Thomas Brown, Esq.; C. J. B. Aldis, M.D.; Wm. Dickinson, Esq.; J. C. Salisbury, Esq.; Henry Blenkarne, Esq.; T. King Chambers, M.D.; John Clarke, M.D.; Daniel Scannell, Esq.; Prescott G. Hewett, Esq.

MEDICAL STORES FOR GARIBALDI. We are requested by the chairman and directors of the London and Mediterranean Steam Navigation Company (Limited) to communicate to the public that it will give the board much pleasure to convey to Naples and Palermo, free of charge for freight, by their vessels sailing regularly from London, the packages of medical stores and comforts which many benevolent persons are now contributing for the use of the wounded and sick in the military hospitals of Garibaldi's forces. The packages to be sent carefully addressed to Messrs. Alfred Laming and Co., 70, Cornhill, the company's agents. (*Morning Star*.)

SIR B. BRODIE. Sir Benjamin Brodie, feeling his inability, from his recent impairment of sight, to perform all the duties of President of the Royal Society, forwarded his resignation of that office to the Council of that body. At a special meeting, held last week, the council unanimously resolved to request Sir Benjamin to allow himself to be again nominated as President with an understanding that he should not be called upon to perform the duties of the office for the present. This arrangement, we understand, meets with the hearty approval of the fellows, who, without doubt, sincerely hope that the further treatment which he is about to undergo will prove so successful that he may still be enabled to continue those duties he has so well discharged for the last two years. Under these circumstances, Sir Benjamin Brodie has consented to be nominated as president. We are rejoiced to state that there has been marked improvement in the sight of the left eye of the distinguished president since the operation for glaucoma was performed. The improvement is progressive. The development of cataract in the right eye has rendered an operation for this defect desirable. It is confidently anticipated that this proceeding will be attended by a successful issue. (*Lancet*.)

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH. On October 17th, Dr. R. U. West, of Alford, Lincolnshire, was elected a Fellow of this College.

CONSUMPTION OF TOBACCO IN FRANCE. In France, the sale of tobacco is a government monopoly, and the gross receipts from it are set down in the budget of the present year at 183,000,000 francs. In 1815, the consumption of tobacco in France was only 53,000,000; and in 1858 it amounted to 173,000,000, having in that time more than tripled.

HEALTH OF LONDON—OCTOBER 27TH, 1860.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Births.	Deaths.
During week	{ Boys .. 991 } 1949 ..	1026
	{ Girls .. 955 } ..	
Average of corresponding weeks 1850-9	1695 ..	1141

Among the causes of death were—bronchitis, 96; pneumonia, 74; phthisis, 100; small-pox, 6; scarlatina, 54; measles, 43; diphtheria, 11; hooping-cough, 40. The deaths from pulmonary diseases (exclusive of phthisis) were 190, being 87 above the corrected average.

Barometer:
Highest (Sun.) 30°068; lowest (Fri.) 29°806; mean 29°911.

Thermometer:
In sun—highest (Mon.) 102°0 degs.; lowest (Sun.) 68°0 degs.
In shade—highest (Th.) 64°0 degs.; lowest (Sun.) 89°0 degs.
Mean—53°2 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs. +5°2 degrees.
Range—during week, 25°0 degrees; mean daily, 13°3 degrees.
Mean humidity of air (saturation=100), 89.
Mean direction of wind, S.W.—Rain in inches, 0·07.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

ANONYMOUS CORRESPONDENTS should always enclose their names to the Editor; not for publication, but in token of good faith. No attention can be paid to communications not thus authenticated.

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

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Communications have been received from:—DR. J. D. BROWN; DR. JAMES RUSSELL; DR. LIONEL BEALE; MR. A. PRICHARD; MR. H. HAILEY; MR. R. M. GRAYEN; DR. JAMES DULVEY; HON. SECS. COLL. DENTISTS OF ENGLAND; MR. O. PEMBERTON; THE PRESIDENT OF THE HARVEIAN SOCIETY; MR. H. VEASEY; MR. RD. GRIFFIN; MR. GEO. TERRY; SIR H. COOPER; MR. G. M. SWINHOE; MR. N. CRISP; MR. T. L. PRIDHAM; DR. COPEMAN; DR. HYDE SALTER; DR. WOLLASTON; DR. A. W. WILLIAMS; and MR. C. T. S. KEVERN.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

[* An Asterisk is prefixed to the Names of Members of the Association.]

1. The Principles and Practice of Surgery. By William Pirrie, F.R.S.E. Second Edition. Illustrated by numerous Engravings on Wood. London: John Churchill. 1860.
2. Gout: its History, its Causes, and its Cure. By William Gairdner, M.D. Fourth Edition. London: John Churchill. 1860.
3. The First Step in Chemistry. A New Method of Teaching the Elements of the Science. By Robert Galloway, F.C.S. Third Edition. With Illustrations on Wood. London: John Churchill. 1860.
4. The Principles of Physiology applied to the Preservation of Health, and to the Improvement of Physical and Mental Education. By Andrew Combe, M.D. Fifteenth Edition. Edited, and adapted to the Present State of Physiological and Chemical Science, by James Cox, M.D. Edinburgh: MacLachlan and Stewart. London: Simpkin, Marshall, and Co. 1860.
5. Recherches Tératologiques sur l'Appareil Séminal de l'Homme. Par Ernest Godard. Paris: Victor Masson. 1860.
6. Recherches sur la Substitution Graisseuse du Rein. Par M. le Docteur Ernest Godard. Paris: Victor Masson. 1860.
7. Etudes sur la Monorchidie et la Cryptorchidie chez l'Homme. Par Ernest Godard. Paris: 1857. Table Alphabétique.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

JUST PUBLISHED, Octavo, with 10 Coloured Lithographs, and 43 Woodcuts, price 15s.

The Surgical Diseases of Children.

By J. COOPER FORSTER, Assistant-Surgeon to, and Lecturer on Anatomy at, Guy's Hospital; and Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary for Children.

London: JOHN W. PARKER & SON, West Strand.

Fourth Edition, just published, price 2s. 6d., by post for 3s stamps.

A Guide to the Treatment of DISEASES OF THE SKIN: for the Use of the Student and General Practitioner. By THOMAS HUNT, Surgeon to the Western Dispensary for Diseases of the Skin. This edition contains two new chapters; one on the Vegetable Parasites of the Human Skin, the other on Metastasis in its practical bearings.

London: T. RICHARDS, 37, Great Queen Street.

Just published, One Vol. 8vo, price 16s.

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