

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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CORRESPONDENTS, who wish notice to be taken of their communications, should authenticate them with their names—of course not necessarily for publication.

MR. COOMBE AND HOMOEOPATHY.—In reply to Mr. Coombe, all we have to state is this:—Mr. Coombe has been publicly accused of practising homoeopathy; consequently, there is only one possible way in which he can purge himself of the accusation and its attendant good or evil; and that is by publicly saying, he never has had, or if he has had, that he will in future have no further connexion with the thing. His letter does neither the one thing nor the other, and therefore we see no good to be derived from its publication.

DR. KIDD ON ASCARIDES.—Dr. Kidd writes to us to the following effect:—

"He feels aggrieved that a letter of his in this JOURNAL about a year since, on Ascarides in Children, subsequently noticed at the last meeting of the British Association at Cambridge, has been misrepresented in the *Lancet*, and he has been refused any explanation. Dr. Kidd adheres to what was stated in this JOURNAL; so that his truthfulness has only been questioned on *ex parte* letters. Science cannot be much advanced by hole and corner one-sided views. Dr. Kidd's theory is, that what are often treated as 'ascarides' by tin filings, cowhage, chloroform injections, etc., are larvae of the blow-fly and other flies, something like 'bots' in the lower animals; and that the true remedy must be of a prophylactic kind. He did not say, as now suggested, that one is changed into the other, as may be perceived by referring to the original letters."

SEVERAL LETTERS on the "Title of Doctor" and on "Gratuitous Medical Services" are unavoidably delayed until next week.

DR. WALKER'S reports of surgical cases will be published soon.

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

Worcester, February 1863.

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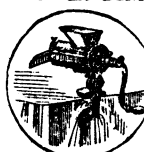
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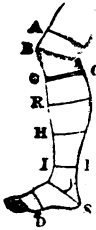
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