

BIRTHS AND DEATHS REGISTRATION (IRELAND) BILL. This bill has been read a third time and passed in the House of Commons.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD. In a convocation holden on the 26th ult., a proposal that the sum of £1,000 be granted from the university chest towards the new buildings at the Radcliffe Infirmary was agreed to.

SOUTH HAMTS MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL SOCIETY. The following officers have been appointed for the ensuing year:—*President*, John S. Bushnan, M.D.; *Vice-President*, John Wiblin, L.R.C.P.Ed.; *Secretary*, Henry Palk, M.D.

ARMY HOSPITALS. The entire staff connected with the Royal Artillery and Royal Engineer hospitals at Brompton Barracks, Chatham, together with the patients and attendants, vacated the hospitals on Saturday afternoon and took possession of Fort Pitt Hospital, which will in future be used as a general hospital for the entire garrison, on the removal of the Army Medical School and staff to Netley Hospital. A portion of the hospital hitherto used at Brompton barracks is still to be retained for the purposes of a hospital, in which the sick troops will be received and inspected previous to their removal to Fort Pitt.

THE LEVÉE. The following are the presentations of members of the medical profession which took place last week:—Mr. J. Moncrieff Arnott; Assistant-Surgeon Agnis; Surgeon H. Baillie; Dr. Butler; Mr. William Bowman; Mr. William Coulson; Assistant-Surgeon J. C. Corbyn; Sir Daniel Cooper; Dr. Acland; Dr. A. Anderson; Dr. T. K. Chambers; Staff-Surgeon-Major Dr. W. Dick; C. F. Du Pasquier; Surgeon W. C. B. Eatwell; Dr. C. J. Foster; Surgeon R. Gilborne; Dr. Gallagher; Surgeon-Major A. Grant; Dr. Francis Hawkins; Mr. C. H. Hawkins; Dr. E. Hilditch; Surgeon-Major Jee; Dr. W. Jenner; Dr. R. O'Shaughnessy; Dr. G. E. Paget; Mr. James Paget; Dr. E. Phillips; Mr. George Pollock; Mr. R. Quain; Surgeon H. Martin; Dr. G. C. Millar; Dr. J. Minter; Dr. Sieveking; Deputy Inspector-General C. J. Smith; Dr. G. Sykes; Assistant-Surgeon R. Turner; Assistant-Surgeon E. J. Vivian; Dr. Forbes Watson; Dr. J. Grant Wilson; Surgeon Young, and Surgeon-Major Wyatt.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....	Royal Free, 2 P.M.—Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's for Fistula and other Diseases of the Rectum, 1.15 P.M.—Samaritan, 2.30 P.M.—Lock, Clinical Demonstration and Operations, 1 P.M.
TUESDAY.....	Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.
WEDNESDAY...	St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.
THURSDAY.....	St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—London, 1.30 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopædic, 2 P.M.
FRIDAY.....	Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.
SATURDAY.....	St. Thomas's, 1 P.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.—King's College, 1.30 P.M.—Charing Cross, 2 P.M.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY.	Medical Society of London, 8.30 P.M. Clinical Discussion. Dr. Thudichum, "On Cancer of the Pancreas; and on Purulent Disease of the Kidney, complicated with Disease of the Bladder"; and other communications.—Royal Geographical.
WEDNESDAY.	Royal College of Physicians, 5 P.M. Dr. Risdon Bennett, Croonian Lectures. "On some Points connected with Bronchitis, and its Results."—Society of Arts.—Microscopical.—North London Medical.
THURSDAY.	Royal.—Antiquarian.
FRIDAY.	Royal College of Physicians, 5 P.M. Dr. Chambers, Lumleian Lectures. "Formation of Mucus and Pus."—Astronomical.—Royal Institution.
SATURDAY.	Statistical (Anniversary).—Royal Botanical.

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MEDICAL HEALTH ASSURANCE.—We are obliged to defer the publication of some letters on this subject till next week.

UNLICENSED PRACTITIONERS.—We would refer "An Old Associate" to something we have said in this day's JOURNAL on the subject of irregular practitioners. It does appear that in the present state of the law, any man, woman, or child, can practise medicine or surgery, if they can only find subjects to practise on. We see no way to arrest the course of the irregular person to whom our correspondent refers. This, however, we would add: that any practitioner of medicine who knowingly meets an unlicensed man in consultation is utterly without excuse, and deserves the severest condemnation of the profession. The laxer the law is, the more severe ought our ethical laws to be. We hope our correspondent is in error when he says that the person to whom he refers "is met in consultation by physicians of high repute, and yet withal is unlicensed, unregistered, and laughs in his sleeve at the medical profession".

COMMUNICATIONS have been received from:—Mr. J. Vose Solomon; Mr. Thorley; Mr. H. Gramshaw; An Army Medical Officer; Dr. Crompton; Dr. C. Kidd; Dr. J. O. Fletcher; An Old Associate; Mr. T. P. Davies; The Honorary Secretary of the Western Medical and Surgical Society; Dr. Lionel Beale; Dr. Sieveking; Mr. Carter; Dr. Bryan; Dr. Thomas J. Walker; Mr. R. W. Coe; Dr. J. Heygate; Beta; Dr. Henry Marshall; Mr. J. A. Pearson; Mr. Radcliffe; The Registrar of the Medical Society of London; Dr. Ogle; Mr. Pike; Mr. J. H. S. May; and Mr. T. M. Stone.

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