

WHERE SHALL I SEND MY BOYS TO SCHOOL?

SEVERAL correspondents have sent replies to the letter of "A Father of a large Family," published at page 361 of the JOURNAL of February 14th.

Dr. F. T. BOND (Gloucester) recommends our correspondent to write to the Principal of All Saints' School, Bloxham, near Oxford.

Mr. J. DEANS (Boscombe, Bournemouth) also strongly recommends the same school.

Dr. S. W. SMITH (Pershore) advises "A Father" to procure the Calendar of Daventry Grammar School, or to apply to the Rev. C. F. Hutton, M.A. Bedford Grammar School is also a good institution. A calendar may be obtained from Mrs. Perrott Smith, Colenden Cottage, Bedford.

Dr. LOWNDS (Egham) suggests an application to the Rev. W. Watson, of the Norfolk County School, where his (Dr. Lownds') sons have been for ten years.

Mr. H. C. BURDETT recommends Blundell's School at Tiverton. The school is an old foundation, and has had a high reputation. There are scholarships and exhibitions.

Mr. T. C. BRYAN (Littlehampton) writes that there is a capital school at that place.

Mr. BENJAMIN CLARKE (Upper Clapton) writes in high terms of the St. John-at-Hackney Grammar School, where he was a pupil more than fifty years ago. Information may be obtained from the Head-master.

Mr. G. PARSONS (Hawkshead) recommends Archbishop Sandy's Endowed School at Hawkshead, near Ambleside.

F.R.C.S. advises "A Father of a Family" to send his son or sons to Bruce Castle, Tottenham.

Mr. A. W. MARTIN (Evesham) recommends the Grammar School of Prince Henry at Evesham; and will be pleased to give further information to our correspondent if he will write to him.

Dr. G. P. POOLE (Upper Norwood) speaks favourably of St. John's College, Hurstpierpoint, where his two sons have been.

Dr. ALFRED WRIGHT recommends Christ's College, Finchley.

F. S. advises that inquiry be made regarding the King's School at Ely.

M.R.C.S. recommends Grosvenor School, Bath.

Dr. A. BOSWELL advises our correspondent to communicate with the Head-master of Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.

** Our correspondent, "A Father of a Family," will be able to obtain prospectuses, etc., by application to the head-masters of the schools mentioned. Several who have replied to his question have offered to give him further information on application by letter.

SORENESS OF THE TONGUE.

SIR,—I have under my care a case of prolonged dyspepsia, in which the soreness of the tongue is much complained of. The tongue is small, and its epithelium appears to be deficient in parts, but it is pale, and there is no trace of ulceration. I have tried the ordinary local applications (borax, etc.), but have found them of no avail. I should be glad if any of your readers could suggest any remedy likely to alleviate this condition.—Yours truly,
M.B. Lond.

BATHING IN BATTERSEA PARK.

SIR,—In the *Times* of February 6th, I read, with considerable regret, that the Commissioners of Works had not acceded to the reasonable request of the residents in the neighbourhood of Battersea Park that some of the lakes should be used for bathing. I venture to hope that public opinion will be brought to bear to induce the Commissioners to alter a decision standing in the way of the acquisition of the invaluable art of swimming, and, at the same time, preventing large numbers of the poorer classes from obtaining a "free bath."

As the originator and late honorary secretary of the London Schools' Swimming Club for the Public Elementary Schools of London, in the inauguration of which work I was liberally assisted and advised by Sir Edmund Hay Currie, Mr. John MacGregor, Sir John Bennett, the late Sir Charles Reed, and others, I can speak to the enormous benefit derived by thousands of boys and girls by their association with the club in question; and the largest bath of all was Victoria Park Lake, where over 1,000 boys bathed and were taught to swim during the summer months. Surely the sanction received to use one lake in a public park should be extended to all the other suitable sheets of water in the parks of London devoted mainly to the use of the people.—I am, sir, your obedient servant,
NEWTON H. NIXON.

Richmond, Surrey.

A DIRTY TONGUE.

SIR,—I think that your correspondent's patient would derive benefit from (1) the wearing of an abdominal compress, freshly wetted with cold water, morning, noon, and night; and (2) vigorous rubbing once or twice daily over the whole body with a dripping sheet, out of water at 70° Fahr., followed by dry rubbing.—I am, sir, faithfully yours,
R. J. B.

DOUCHE.—We are not aware of the existence of any book with questions and answers on Anatomy and Physiology.

LANCING THE GUMS.

SIR,—I was in hopes we had heard the last of this subject; and I should not have written again were it not for the misinterpretation of my last letter by Mr. Paramore, who states that I have altered my attitude towards the gum-lancet, because I said I should use it if the physical signs so indicated. I here obviously referred, as denoted in a former letter, to the physical signs of acute inflammation or suppuration of the alveoli.

In answer to your correspondent's query as to what dose of bromide of potassium, etc., I should have given in Dr. Walford's case, I do not think it would take a very large dose of this or any other drug to send a child to sleep, who had been kept awake crying for thirty hours.

If I have altered my attitude on this subject, what can be said of that of Mr. Paramore? He first doubts, practically denies, my statement that the gum-lancet is growing in disfavour on the Continent and in America. I prove my point by quoting authorities. Mr. Paramore retorts by saying that the disuse of the gum-lancet in these countries is probably the cause, of part at least, of the frightful mortality in France and America amongst children. Is infantile mortality more frightful abroad than at home?—Yours truly,
LIVERPOOL.

BOYD JOLL, M.B. Lond.

H. E. D. asks "What is considered about the proper time for a doctor's visit to be? There has been so much said and written on the subject lately, I am anxious to have an opinion."

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