

## OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

**MONDAY.**.....Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's for Fistula and other Diseases of the Rectum, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

**TUESDAY.**....Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

**WEDNESDAY.**...St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—London, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.—St. Bartholomew's, 1.30 P.M.

**THURSDAY.**...St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 2 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

**FRIDAY.**.....Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.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.—Lock, Clinical Demonstration and Operations, 1 P.M.—Royal Free, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.

## MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

**MONDAY.** Medical Society of London, 8 P.M. Dr. James Jones, "Inflammation as an Exciting Cause of Tuberculosis."

**TUESDAY.** Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Dobell, "On the Natural History of Winter Cough"; Mr. T. Longmore, "On Osteo-myelitis consequent on Gun-shot Wounds."

## TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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**COMMUNICATIONS.**—To prevent a not uncommon misconception, we beg to inform our correspondents that, as a rule, all communications which are not returned to their authors, are retained for publication.

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

**F. P.**—We should hope that the London College of Physicians will take steps to have their Licence accepted, as far as it is possible, by all bodies that require a double qualification. Some country hospitals require that their house-surgeon should be a licentiate of the Apothecaries' Society as well as a member of the College of Surgeons, in order that pupils may be enabled to serve an apprenticeship within their walls.

**KILLING ANIMALS.**—It is said that animals are sometimes slaughtered at Bootle, near Liverpool, by Messrs. Bain, after Dr. Carson's recommendation; viz., suffocation with carbonic acid.

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**INHERITANCE OR NON-INHERITANCE OF CLEFT-PALATE.**—SIR: In reference to the remarks on the hereditary character of cleft-palate, made by me at the Odontological Society (see BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, December 10th, 1864), allow me to adduce the following case. I saw a patient yesterday with cleft-palate. With some little reluctance, I ascertained that the patient had an aunt, on the father's side, with the same lesion; and that this aunt had an aunt, on the mother's side, who also had a cleft-palate.

I am, etc., EDWIN SERCOMBE.

49, Brook Street, January 1865.

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