

and four out of 700 in Blakenburg. In France no case of the disease has yet been noticed. In Germany the hospitals receive many patients suffering from this affection; during last year there were thirteen at Magdeburg, of whom only one died. *Post mortem* examinations have also shown, among persons who died from other diseases, numerous cases of old trichinosis cured by the encystment of the parasites. The proportion of these at Leipzig has been about six per hundred. In places where the complaint prevails, the rats which infest slaughterhouses are found to have it, as proved by Leisering at Dresden, Adam at Augsburg, and Roll at Vienna. Since their return, MM. Delpech and Reynal have examined many of these animals as well as pigs without finding a trace of trichinæ. Consequently, there is no reason in France for any person to refrain from eating hog's flesh, especially when thoroughly cooked. In Germany many of the peasantry eat it almost raw or only smoked. The most timid may safely eat the heart, liver, kidney, brain, and fat of pigs, as those parts never contain trichinæ. MM. Delpech and Reynal assert, as an undoubted fact, that a temperature of 167 Fahr. is sufficient to kill trichinæ. Meat thoroughly salted is also perfectly safe. Smoke-dried sausages, which have been kept a long time, are considered free from danger, but the wisest plan is to give them a good boiling. The authors of the report attribute the spread of the disease among pigs to the fact that they are foul feeders and will eat any offal, such as the dead bodies of rats and other animals, which are now known to be liable to trichinosis. Great care ought therefore to be taken to keep such things out of their reach. MM. Delpech and Reynal likewise advise all experimenters never to throw away trichinised flesh, but to burn it as soon as their examination is completed; for a fragment of it carelessly exposed might be eaten by a rat, the rat devoured by a pig, and this last become the cause of fatal accidents. They recommend farmers to be very cautious in feeding their pigs, to avoid giving them offal flesh without first boiling it; to destroy rats and other small carnivorous animals; and never to leave human or other excrements in places where pigs can go. The Government has deemed it expedient to publish at once the above abstract of MM. Delpech and Reynal's report, which it has also submitted to the consideration of the Consultative Committee of Public Health.

REGISTRATION OF DISEASE.

RETURN of new cases of disease coming under treatment in public practice. (A.) Manchester and Salford (Sanitary Association). (B.) Preston (R. C. Brown, Esq.). (C.) St. Marylebone, London (Dr. Whitmore). (D.) Birmingham (Dr. Alfred Hill).

| Diseases. | In the 4 weeks ending Jan. 27th, 1865. | | | |
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| | A. | B. | C. | D. |
| Small-Pox | 18 | 40 | 6 | 1 |
| Chicken-Pox | 1 | 2 | 26 | 3 |
| Measles | 5 | — | 72 | 119 |
| Scarlatina | 39 | 11 | 26 | 15 |
| Diphtheria | — | — | 3 | 4 |
| Whooping-Cough | 132 | 9 | 53 | 185 |
| Croup | — | 1 | 2 | 6 |
| Diarrhœa | 99 | 21 | 199 | 137 |
| Dysentery | 9 | 7 | — | 10 |
| Cholera | — | — | 1 | — |
| Erysipelas | 29 | 4 | 14 | 9 |
| Insanity | 25 | 2 | 14 | — |
| Bronchitis and Catarrh | 906 | 119 | 976 | 724 |
| Pleurisy and Pneumonia | 66 | 18 | 35 | 26 |
| All other diseases and accidents | 4151 | 486 | 3518 | 2637 |
| Totals | 5480 | 720 | 4946 | 3875 |

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

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| MONDAY..... | Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.—St. Mark's for Fistula and other Diseases of the Rectum, 9 A.M. and 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.—St. Thomas'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, 9.30 A.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.

TUESDAY. Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, 8.30 P.M. Dr. Morehead, "On the Pathology of Pneumonia"; followed by Mr. Gaskoin, "On Continued Syphilitic Inoculation"; or Mr. A. Durham, "On the Radical Cure of Hernia."

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