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PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.—We shall be much obliged to Medical Officers of Health if they will, on forwarding their Annual and other Reports, favour us with *Despatched Copies*.

QUERIES.

E. S. writes: Was Mr. Eassie cremated? If not, why not? as he was one of the pillars of the system.

YELLOW FEVER.

FELIX would be grateful for information regarding the present epidemic of yellow fever in the Southern States of America.

SYPHILITIC ULCERATION OF TONGUE.

SENEX is most anxious about a case of syphilitic ulceration of tongue which has baffled all his efforts to cure. The patient has been a heavy smoker, but has almost quite discontinued the habit. The disease was acquired some five years ago, and the tongue has been affected more or less for the past three years. Can any member suggest treatment? Of course, internal mercurial treatment was thoroughly carried out.

RHEUMATISM.

A SUFFERER writes: Can any of your readers tell me where any information is to be obtained as to the direct exciting cause of rheumatism? I can find nothing beyond the fact that lactic acid injected into the peritoneum caused peri- and endo-carditis, while it is not denied that any other acid or acrid substance would probably produce the same result. That muscular exertion produces lactic acid, which is rapidly absorbed on the stoppage of perspiration, seems a reasonable enough hypothesis; but I can find nothing to confirm it beyond the experiment above mentioned.

NOTES, LETTERS, ETC.

ERRATA.

THE names of Dr. Jenkyns, of Belize, British Honduras, and Dr. Mapother, 32, Cavendish Square, W., were accidentally omitted from the list of members present at the Glasgow meeting of the Association.

In Dr. W. G. Bower's query in the JOURNAL of September 1st, as to the treatment of salivation, it is stated that belladonna was applied internally to the glands. It should have been externally.

THE ANNUAL MUSEUM, GLASGOW.

THE Brougham Fever Ambulance exhibited at the Glasgow meeting by the Glasgow Corporation was not, as we stated, designed by Dr. Wilkinson, of Sydenham, but by the manufacturer, Mr. T. S. Norton, Grange Road, Bermondsey. The carriage designed by Dr. Wilkinson is Mr. Norton's accident ambulance, shown at Liverpool in 1886, the exhibit of the two ambulances gaining him a gold medal.

We omitted to include in our report of the Annual Museum the exhibit of Messrs. De Hoghton and Co., which consisted of samples of their peptic-digestive powder and pills, and also of their peptic chologogue.

With characteristic enterprise, Messrs. Burroughs, Wellcome, and Co., distributed among the members present at the Glasgow meeting some pleasing photographs of interesting features of the city, on the back of which was given a list of their products exhibited in the Museum. Copies of these, we believe, are still to be had on application.

CHLORAL-HYDRATE IN MIDWIFERY.

DR. C. R. ILLINGSWORTH (Clayton-le-Moors) writes: For the last three years I have invariably used chloral in preference to opium for the treatment of "false" pains, that is, for those pains to which many neurotic women are subject before actual labour begins. I give a scruple at bedtime, and I now combine it with the same dose of antipyrin, with excellent effect. In many cases false pains begin a long time before the obliteration of the cervix, and it is in these that the value of chloral and antipyrin is especially noticeable.

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BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED.

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Comparative Studies of Mammalian Blood. By Henry F. Formad, M.D. Philadelphia: A. L. Hummel. 1888.
Photography, Beginner's Guide to. By a Fellow of the Chemical Society. Perkin, Son, and Layment.
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Atlas of the Pathological Anatomy of the Lungs. By the late Wilson Fox, M.D. F.R.S. London: J. and A. Churchill. 1888.
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