

opinion that the deceased did not die from taking a narcotic. In consequence of this statement, when the inquest was resumed, the coroner adjourned the inquiry. Dr. Cowan said that he obtained the information on which he based his opinion from the father, sisters, grandmother, and two aunts of the deceased gentleman. It amounted to this: For the last two months, Mr. Davies had shown a state of health gradually tending to the unfortunate result which had happened. The symptoms characteristic of his condition were disinclination, gradually increasing to active exertion, a persistency to sickness of a character distinctly cerebral in its origin, and an indisposition to study. The heart's action seemed to give him great pain, and he knew he had disease of the heart. These had increased up to the day of his death. Mr. Davies said his son was twenty-five years of age, and, although not in actual partnership, had resided with him for two years since he had completed his studies. Of late, he had been sick several times. He was of very temperate habits, and drank nothing but a little beer. He went to his son's bedroom on the Wednesday morning, when he found the door locked. Having forced the door open, he found his son in bed, loudly breathing; and on a small table near the bed stood a tumbler and chloroform bottle. The heart was beating vigorously, and the surface of the body was quite warm. The jury returned the following verdict:—"That deceased died suddenly, but whether from natural causes, or from taking an overdose of chloroform, the jury were unable to say."

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

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.
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FRIDAY. Westminster Ophthalmic, 1.30 P.M.—Royal London Ophthalmic, 11 A.M.
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MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

TUESDAY. Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society. 8 P.M., Ballot. 8.30 P.M., Dr. Waters (Liverpool), "On the Morbid Anatomy of Pneumonia"; Mr. Nunneley (Leeds), "Third Case of the Entire Removal of the Tongue for Epithelioma."—Ethnological.—Zoological.
WEDNESDAY. Microscopical.
THURSDAY. Zoological.—Royal.
SATURDAY. Association Medical Officers of Health.

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