

OPERATION DAYS AT THE HOSPITALS.

MONDAY.....	Royal Free, 2 P.M.—Metropolitan Free, 2 P.M.
TUESDAY.	Guy's, 1½ P.M.—Westminster, 2 P.M.
WEDNESDAY...	St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopedic, 2 P.M.
THURSDAY.....	St. George's, 1 P.M.—Central London Ophthalmic, 1 P.M.—London, 1:30 P.M.—Great Northern, 2 P.M.—London Surgical Home, 2 P.M.
FRIDAY.	Westminster Ophthalmic, 1:30 P.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.

POPULATION STATISTICS AND METEOROLOGY OF LONDON—JULY 27, 1861.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Births.	Deaths.
During week.....	{ Boys.. 926 } { Girls.. 878 }	1804 1207
Average of corresponding weeks 1851-60	1578	1214
Barometer:		
Highest (Wed.) 29.649; lowest (Tu.) 29.464; mean 29.571.		
Thermometer:		
Highest in sun—extremes (Mon.) 127 degs.; (Wed.) 82 degs.		
In shade—highest (Sat.) 73.3 degrees; lowest (Sat.) 49.8 degs.		
Mean—61.1 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs.—0.7 deg.		
Range—during week, 23.5 degrees; mean daily, 16.1 degrees.		
Mean humidity of air (saturation=100), 83.		
Mean direction of wind, S.W.—Rain in inches, 0.51.		

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

THE ELECTION AT THE COLLEGE OF SURGEONS.—A correspondent, writing of the recent changes which have taken place at the College of Surgeons, says:—"But another change is essentially required to give fair play and equal rights to the country Fellows. I desire most emphatically to impress on the country Fellows, that they ought to take at once the initiative in demanding the right of voting by proxy balloting-papers. It is an injustice that so many country gentlemen cannot exercise their elective franchise by reason of the expense of railways and hotels; and the great loss of time and loss of business by being absent from home, especially those gentlemen who live beyond twenty or thirty miles from town; and many there are who live from one hundred to two hundred miles away from the metropolis. The elections have been hitherto virtually in the hands of the London men; the provincial men must necessarily forego their influence, as they cannot muster in proportion to their numbers, and are thus practically denuded of the franchise. It is hoped, and earnestly urged, that provincial Fellows will vindicate their right, by such representations and remonstrances, that the present mode of election may be altered, and that proxy ballot-papers be substituted."

AN OLD ASSOCIATE asks:—"What is the distinction between assistant-surgeons and honorary assistant-surgeons of volunteers?" [To us the distinction seems to be "without a difference." Perhaps some of our volunteer surgeons can explain the question. EDITOR.]

THE MEDICAL COUNCIL.—A correspondent writes as follows of the Medical Council:—"It does no work—only talk, talk, talk! Three Medical Parliaments have been held; and yet the great subject of what should constitute a national medical education has not been settled! At the same time, days are wasted in discussing whether reporters should or should not be admitted, and whether a Mr. Snob should be unregistered—quackery being as rampant as ever."

DR. HAYWARD, a Liverpool Homœopath, and "Ass. Sur. 66 L.R.V.," is very angry that we refuse to publish a long letter which he has sent us, in answer to Mr. Bickerton's, which appeared in our pages. "Of all contemptible things," writes this enraged Homœopath, "sir, I consider a one-sided unjust editor the most contemptible." An answer done in simple and short terms by Dr. Hayward would not have been rejected. Dr. Hayward, in his enthusiasm for his science, no doubt forgot that he was writing a puff of Homœopathy, instead of dealing with Mr. Bickerton. And for such bags of wind, we have no room.

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