

proved fatal; hence, just one-third the mortality noted in the former category. (*Brit. and Foreign Medico-Chir. Rev.*, October 1861.)

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.: Excision of the Head of the Femur, by Mr. Holt. Plastic Operation for Burn of the Hand, by Mr. Holthouse. Operations for Stricture of the Urethra, and for Hydrocele, by Mr. Hillman.
WEDNESDAY... St. Mary's, 1 P.M.—Middlesex, 1 P.M.—University College, 2 P.M.—Royal Orthopaedic, 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.

MEETINGS OF SOCIETIES DURING THE NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY. Medical, 8.30 P.M.: The President, "Case of Secondary Abscess, with Disorganisation of the Knee-Joint, following Scarlatina and Parturition."
TUESDAY. Pathological, 8 P.M.
THURSDAY. Harveian, 8 P.M.: Opening of the Session.

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[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Births.	Deaths.
During week.....	{ Boys.. 923 }	1818 1147
	{ Girls.. 815 }	
Average of corresponding weeks 1851-60		1506 1061

Barometer:
Highest (Th.) 30.000; lowest (Tu.) 29.575; mean 29.816.
Thermometer:
Highest in sun—extremes (Mon.) 120.5 degs.; (Sat.) 92 degs.
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Mean—59.3 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs.+5.9 degs.
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