

where he enjoyed the friendship and esteem of the president, the earl of Stanhope, and many of the most distinguished members of that learned body. With all these avocations, it was not to be expected that Dr. Ryan could have had leisure to toil much in the practice of his profession; the zeal and delight which he took in intellectual pursuits must have left him little time and have given him but little relish for what he appropriately designated "the trade of his profession;" and often may be seen among his writings allusions to the degraded position of the majority of its members, who, in place of prosecuting medicine as a science, dealt in it as a trade.

Dr. Ryan married in early life, and has left a widow and four children to mourn his loss.

DEATH OF M. ESQUIROL.

We have also the regret of announcing the death of M. Esquirol, head physician to the hospital of Charenton, which took place at his house in the *Rue de Buffon*, on the 12th ult. M. Esquirol was well known as the author of several interesting and valuable memoirs on the treatment of the insane.

LITERARY NOTICE.

Mr. Braithwaite's *Retrospect of Medicine and Surgery*, No. 2 of Vol. I., for the year 1840, is in the press, and will shortly be published.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

A Few Facts relative to Vaccination. By HENRY W. LIVETT, M.R.C.S. Simpkin & Co., London.

On Scientific Medicine, and its Relations to, and Claims upon, Society at large, &c. By WILLIAM ELLIOT, M.D. Published at the request of the North of England Association. Jefferson, Carlisle; Highley, London. 1840.

PROVINCIAL MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSOCIATION.—At a meeting of the Council of the Association, held on Monday, the 14th instant, it was resolved that addresses should be presented to the Queen, to Prince Albert, and to the Duchess of Kent, on the occasion of the birth of the Princess Royal.

MADAME LAFARGE.—M. Orfila has just published an elaborate refutation of the medico-legal arguments of M. Raspail, relative to Mme. Lafarge's appeal. The appeal was rejected by the Court of Cassation, on Saturday last.

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The cases from the *Newcastle Infirmary* in our next, as also the communication of Dr. George Fife.

X.—We cannot understand why a patent was taken out for the *Gannet* process in this country. The process has been repeatedly made public in France, and is familiar to every body.

J. B.—We shall feel much pleasure in ordering for J. B. the works which he requires.

Chichester.—We are aware of the flattering attentions which were paid to Dr. Forbes, on his removal from Chichester to London. We shall publish an account of the dinner in our next number.

Reformer.—We are not at liberty to disclose the authority on which we announced, in our last number, the formation of an anti-reform committee by the Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons, and the Hall; we believe that the fact is certain. The reform delegates will not, probably, meet in London for another month. Dr. Maunsell will represent the Irish Association.

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