

QUEEN'S HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM. The following amended byelaw, regulating the mode of election to office in the Queen's Hospital, was, on the motion of Mr. Sands Cox, Principal of Queen's College, unanimously adopted at a full meeting of the Council of the College, held on December 14th:—

"Whenever any vacancy occurs in the Medical or Surgical Staff of the Queen's Hospital, an advertisement, inviting Candidates to supply such vacancy, shall be inserted once, at least, in the local papers, and in such other papers or journals as the Council of Queen's College may deem proper, and such advertisement shall require every candidate to transmit to the Secretary of the Queen's Hospital the originals, and to every member of the Committee of Council of the Queen's Hospital, to the Council of the Queen's College, and to the medical and surgical professors of the said College, a printed copy of his testimonials, and shall also contain a copy of the following rule:—

"Any candidate who either personally or by any other person, or by letter, or in any other manner whatsoever, shall solicit the vote or interest of any member of the Committee of Council of the Queen's Hospital, or of the Council of the Queen's College, or of the medical and surgical professors of the said College, shall be ineligible for election; and if elected and the fact of such solicitation be proved within one month afterwards to the satisfaction of the Council of the Queen's College, they shall, at a special meeting called for that purpose, rescind such election and proceed as in the case of a new vacancy."

"The said Committee of Council of the Queen's Hospital, in conjunction with the medical and surgical professors of the Queen's College, shall consider the said testimonials of the candidates, and shall report to the Council of the Queen's College on the day fixed for election, the names of such two at least of the candidates who are both qualified and eligible, and who are in their opinion best fitted to fill the vacancy, and in such reports shall specify the grounds of such opinion, particularly as to age, education, and practical experience, and such one of the candidates so reported to be best fitted as shall obtain the votes of the majority of the Council of the Queen's College, shall be thereby elected to fill the vacancy."

GENERAL HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM. The office of physician to this institution is vacant. The candidates are Dr. James Russell, lecturer on Pathology and Therapeutics in Sydenham College; and Dr. Willoughby F. Wade, formerly Resident Physician to the Hospital.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN. At a meeting of the University Senate, held last Saturday, the degree of Master in Surgery, to be conferred after a four years course of study and hospital practice, was created.

CITY OF LONDON HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE CHEST, VICTORIA PARK. A meeting of the board of managers of this institution was held on December 8th, at the offices, Liverpool Street. The number of out-patients relieved this year was reported to be 6,516, the average weekly attendance being 1,014, and 240 in-patients had been admitted. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, and the number of applicants for admission into the wards, the committee determined to occupy a few more beds during the winter months, with the intention of compensating for the additional outlay by reducing in a corresponding degree the number of beds occupied during the ensuing summer. Legacies were announced of 19 guineas from the late Mr. T. J. Crockford, and of £500 from the late Richard Habberfield, Esq., who for some years past has been a liberal supporter of the charity. The assistance received has enabled the committee to discharge many of the outstanding liabilities, but they are very anxious, if possible, to increase the amount of the annual subscriptions, which at present scarcely exceed £1,200. Other routine business having been transacted, the proceedings terminated.

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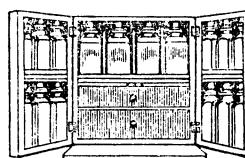
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#### BOOKS RECEIVED.

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1. The History of Prostitution: its Extent, Causes, and Effects throughout the World. Being an Official Report to the Board of Almshouse Governors of the City of New York. By William W. Sanger, M.D. London: Sampson Low, Son, and Co. New York: Harper and Brothers. 1858.
2. The Urine in Health and Disease: or a Simple Explanation of the Physical Properties, Composition, and Uses of the Urine, of the Functions of the Kidneys, and of the Treatment of Urinary Disorders. With Engravings. By \*Arthur Hill Hassall, M.D. London: John Churchill. 1859.

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