

week is 200. From bronchitis and pneumonia together, 179 persons died last week; of these, 83 were children less than three years old. Hooping-cough continues to be the most fatal of the diseases of the zymotic class; it numbers 57. One death from small-pox occurred in the West districts, and two in the North; there were none in any other part of the metropolis. The deaths from typhus (and common fever) declined to 29, of which 14 occurred in the East districts. The West districts return none from fever. A case of bronchitis and typhoid fever which proved fatal in Somers Town is stated by the medical attendant to have arisen from the opening of a foul drain in the house. Scarlatina was fatal in 20 cases, 3 of which occurred in the sub-district of Kennington (first part), in houses that are situated not a hundred yards from each other. In one of these houses six persons have been attacked with scarlatina, and two of them have died. Four nonagenarians, all women, died in the week; the oldest, a widow, in the Hornsey Road, had attained the age of 96 years. Two cases of intemperance are recorded in the present return.

Last week the births of 904 boys and 884 girls, in all 1788 children, were registered in London. In the ten corresponding weeks of the years 1847-56 the average number was 1583.

At the Royal Observatory, Greenwich, the mean height of the barometer in the week was 29.882 in. The mean readings on Monday and Tuesday were above 30 in. The highest reading was 30.14 in. on Monday. The mean temperature of the week was 46.6°, which is 0.6° below the average of the same week in forty-three years. On Sunday the mean temperature was 56.4°, which is 0.9° above the average of the same day; it continued above the average till Wednesday; and on the last three days it was from 7° to 9° below it. The highest reading was obtained on Sunday, and was 69°; the lowest was on Friday, viz., 28.2°, showing a range of temperature equal to 40.8° in the week. The mean dew-point temperature was 40.1°, and the difference between this and the mean temperature of the air was 6.5°. The wind in the beginning of the week was for the most part in the south-west; on the last three days it was generally in the north-east. Rain fell to the amount of 0.32 in., most of which fell on Wednesday. Hail fell on Friday. The last three days are described as very cold and bleak.

THE JENNER MONUMENT. The Piedmontese Committee, consisting of Professor Berutti, *President*; Commendatore Dr. Frompeo, *Treasurer*; Professor Buniva, *Secretary*; Professor Demaria; Dr. Parola; have transmitted, through the Sardinian Ambassador, to the London Committee, the sum of £93:1:8, being the amount of subscriptions collected by them. The statue of Dr. Jenner is now finished, and we understand that the Committee will shortly put themselves into communication with the Government as to the site for its erection.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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Members should remember that corrections for the current week's JOURNAL should not arrive later than Wednesday.

DISEASES OF SPECIAL OCCUPATIONS. Dr. J. C. HALL's Article on the Diseases of the Sheffield File Cutters will appear next week.

THE MEMORIAL of the Manchester Medico-Ethical Association shall be inserted next week.

Communications have been received from:—DR. COCKLE; MR. T. HOLMES; DR. GARROD; DR. J. SLOANE; DR. J. RUSSELL; MR. HENRY HANKS; MR. RICHARD GRIFFIN; DR. J. C. HALL; DR. CHARLES HARWOOD; DR. ROULSTON; MR. L. OWEN FOX; DR. SNOW; DR. EDWARD SMITH; MR. WEBBER; MR. MOULIN; VOX ET PRÆTEREA NIHIL; DELTA; MR. ODRE; MR. JOSEPH STONE; MR. J. WILSON; MR. JAMES YEARSLEY; SIR JAMES L. BARDLEY; DR. CLAY; DR. SHAPTER; B. A. J.; THE LECTURERS OF ST. GEORGE'S HOSPITAL; DR. HANDFIELD JONES; DR. HILLIER; THE SECRETARIES OF THE WESTERN MEDICAL AND SURGICAL SOCIETY; DR. JOHN WEBSTER; MR. H. TERRY; DR. P. H. WILLIAMS; MR. IRVING; THE CHANCELLOR, VICE-CHANCELLOR, AND FELLOWS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF LONDON; MR. JOHN ROBERTSON; AND DR. THOMAS RADFORD.

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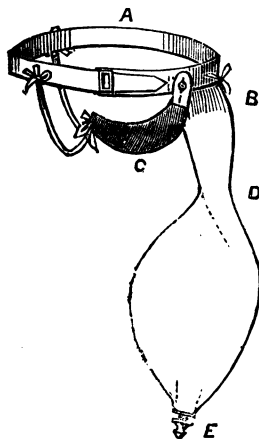
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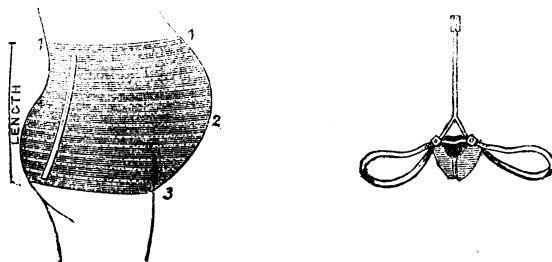
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