

**ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF EDINBURGH.** On October 17th, Dr. R. U. West, of Alford, Lincolnshire, was elected a Fellow of this College.

**CONSUMPTION OF TOBACCO IN FRANCE.** In France, the sale of tobacco is a government monopoly, and the gross receipts from it are set down in the budget of the present year at 183,000,000 francs. In 1815, the consumption of tobacco in France was only 53,000,000; and in 1858 it amounted to 173,000,000, having in that time more than tripled.

#### HEALTH OF LONDON—OCTOBER 27TH, 1860.

[From the Registrar-General's Report.]

	Births.	Deaths.
During week .....	{ Boys .. 991 } 1949 ..	1026
	{ Girls .. 955 } ..	
Average of corresponding weeks 1850-9 .....	1695 ..	1141

Among the causes of death were—bronchitis, 96; pneumonia, 74; phthisis, 100; small-pox, 6; scarlatina, 54; measles, 43; diphtheria, 11; hooping-cough, 40. The deaths from pulmonary diseases (exclusive of phthisis) were 190, being 87 above the corrected average.

**Barometer:**  
Highest (Sun.) 30°068; lowest (Fri.) 29°806; mean 29°911.

**Thermometer:**  
In sun—highest (Mon.) 102°0 degs.; lowest (Sun.) 68°0 degs.  
In shade—highest (Th.) 64°0 degs.; lowest (Sun.) 89°0 degs.  
Mean—53°2 degrees; difference from mean of 43 yrs. +5°2 degrees.  
Range—during week, 25°0 degrees; mean daily, 13°3 degrees.  
Mean humidity of air (saturation=100), 89.  
Mean direction of wind, S.W.—Rain in inches, 0·07.

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2. Gout: its History, its Causes, and its Cure. By William Gairdner, M.D. Fourth Edition. London: John Churchill. 1860.
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4. The Principles of Physiology applied to the Preservation of Health, and to the Improvement of Physical and Mental Education. By Andrew Combe, M.D. Fifteenth Edition. Edited, and adapted to the Present State of Physiological and Chemical Science, by James Cox, M.D. Edinburgh: MacLachlan and Stewart. London: Simpkin, Marshall, and Co. 1860.
5. Recherches Tératologiques sur l'Appareil Séminal de l'Homme. Par Ernest Godard. Paris: Victor Masson. 1860.
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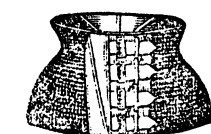
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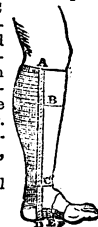
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