

generally tumid abdomen; no dropsy.] 5. In Case D, examine the chest, and appreciate the general condition of the patient. [Mitral regurgitation, probably with contractions of orifice; consecutive disease of left lung; history of dropsy; little present suffering.] 6. In Case E, remark upon the cutaneous disease. [Complicated eruption, principally eczema, extensively diffused on the scalp; isolated pustules, and patches denuded of hair. Impetigo? Favus?] 7. In Case F, examine the head, in connexion with the general condition. [Palpitations, and rapid strong action; general symptoms slight; history of chorea, dilatation with hypertrophy; systolic murmur, probably from tricuspid regurgitation; no marked valvular disease.] 8. In Case G, examine the lungs, in connexion with the general condition. [Phthisis; hectic; cavities in both lungs.]

THE MEDICAL ACT.

An important meeting of medical gentlemen was held at the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital on Thursday, November 4th, "for the purpose of taking into consideration the best mode of aiding the General Council in carrying out the objects of the New Medical Bill with reference to the registration of qualified practitioners." Dr Ranking was called to the chair, and there were about sixty other professional gentlemen present. The following resolutions were passed:—

1. That an Association be formed of the medical practitioners in Norfolk and the adjoining districts, to be called the Norfolk and Norwich United Medical Association.
 2. That the object of this Association be to render every assistance to the medical registrar, and to supply him with information respecting the qualification of medical men practising in this town and neighbourhood.
 3. That a subscription of 2s. 6d. be paid by each member of the association for the purpose of defraying the necessary expenses.
 4. That a Committee be now formed to institute inquiries, receive information, and otherwise carry out the objects of the association, to consist of the following gentlemen, with power to add to their number, five to form a quorum:—Dr. Ranking, Dr. Copeman, Dr. Webb of Lowestoft, Mr. John Godwin Johnson, Mr. Nichols, Mr. Firth, Mr. William Cadge, Mr. Worthington of Lowestoft, Mr. Crowfoot of Beccles, Dr. Cotton of Lynn, Dr. Rudge of Fakenham, Mr. Banks of Holt, Mr. G. C. Aldred of Yarmouth, Mr. D. Dalrymple, Mr. Gibson, Mr. Rose of Swaffham, Mr. Ward of Diss, Mr. Smith of Aylsham, Mr. Meade of North Walsham, Mr. Cooper of Cromer, Mr. Tunnaley of Wymondham, Mr. Garney of Bungay, Mr. Hastings of Dereham, Mr. Miller of Eye, and Mr. Bailey of Thetford.
 5. That any three members of the association shall be at liberty to call a meeting through the secretaries, when such meeting shall, by such members, be deemed necessary.
 6. That any member of the profession wishing to become a member of the association shall hereafter be proposed, seconded, and balloted for, the objection of one-fourth of the members present to be fatal to his reception.
- Dr. Ranking was elected President; Mr. Worthington and Mr. Tunnaley, Vice-Presidents; and Mr. Crosse and Dr. Eade, Secretaries and Treasurers.

THE QUEEN'S HOSPITAL, BIRMINGHAM: MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS. We learn that Mr. Sands Cox, after mature and anxious deliberation, acting on the advice of some of the warmest and steadiest friends of the College and Hospital, and in accordance with suggestions from the highest legal authority, will, in his place as principal, put on the College books, at their next meeting, the following amended bye-law in reference to the election of the medical and surgical staff:—"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 each of the following newspapers, namely, _____, and such advertisement shall require every candidate to transmit to the originals, and to every member of the Committee of Council of the Queen's Hospital, 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 Queen's College, shall be ineligible for election, and if elected, and the fact of such solicitation be proved within _____ months afterwards, to the satisfaction of the Council, they shall, at a

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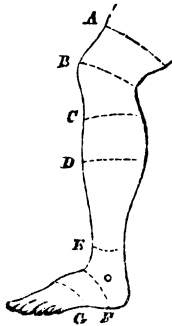


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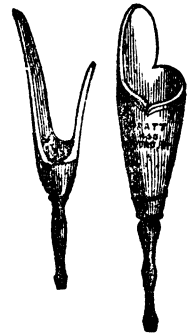
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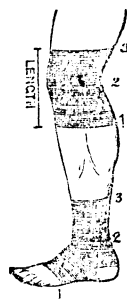
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