

OBITUARY.

C. M. THOMPSON, M.R.C.S.Eng., SEVENOAKS.

WE have to record the death of one of our oldest members, Mr. C. M. Thompson, who died, after a few days illness, at his residence at Sevenoaks, on January 14th, at the advanced age of 81.

He was the youngest son of the Rev. M. Thompson, rector of Mistley, Essex; received a good education at Dedham School; was apprenticed to his brother, then a practitioner at Manningtree; entered at St. Bartholomew's in 1814, and in 1817 became M.R.C.S. and L.S.A. He shortly afterwards settled at Westerham, and for nearly fifty years did a considerable practice, retiring from active work at the age of 70, to devote the evening of his life chiefly to works of benevolence and public usefulness.

A man of quick and ready penetration, of great energy and activity; of perfect self-reliance and confidence, based on accurate knowledge; of warm sympathies and charitable disposition, he was eminently calculated to fill and uphold the position of a country doctor; and, outside his strictly professional duties, was a powerful influence in all good work in his neighbourhood.

Mr. Thompson was an active member of the Association, and filled the office of President of the South-Eastern Branch twenty years ago. He was a skilful surgeon, and an accomplished practitioner; ever ready to accept all new aids in the treatment of disease, and retaining those he found to be true. His long experience dies with him; his only published work being some few interesting cases in the medical journals. His good qualities were warmly appreciated by his neighbours, who presented him with a handsome testimonial on his retirement, and showed him respect and attachment by attending in large numbers at his funeral.

JOHN LANG, M.D., SOUTHPORT.

DR. LANG, who was unfortunately killed by an explosion of gas at his residence in Southport on January 5th, was born at Accrington, where he received his early education. He afterwards entered at University College, London, where he filled the post of house-surgeon at the hospital. He became M.R.C.S. and L.S.A. in 1855, and took the degree of M.D. in 1864. After having qualified in London, he was for two years House Surgeon to the Manchester Infirmary. He then practised in Accrington for a few years with marked success; but, preferring a larger and more central field, he returned to Manchester, where he became surgeon to the Hospital for Sick Children; and for some years carried on a considerable practice. He removed to Southport ten years ago. Here he was appointed Honorary Medical Officer to the Convalescent Hospital and Sea Bathing Infirmary. He was chosen Medical Officer of Health for Birkdale, and was elected to a seat in the Town Council of Southport. He took an active interest in the improvement of the sanitary condition of Southport, and he had the satisfaction in time of seeing his views adopted.

Dr. Lang was a Vice-President of the Lancashire and Cheshire Branch of the British Medical Association, and took great interest in the meeting held last year in Manchester, and in the visit to Southport of a part of the members. He was interred in the family vault at St. James' Church, Accrington. The Mayor and Town Councillors of Southport, the members of the Birkdale Local Board, and many of his professional brethren and others attended the funeral, which was joined at Accrington by many old friends from a distance.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION.—The annual meeting of the governors of this hospital was held on the 22nd instant, at the offices, 12, Pall Mall, under the presidency of Lieut.-Colonel Atherly. Letters were read from Viscount Eversley (the President), the Duke of Grafton, the Earl of Powis, etc., regretting their inability to attend. The report of the Board of Management stated that the institution, which is situated at Ventnor on account of the superior salubrity of its climate, having now been finally completed, the whole one hundred and two bedrooms were occupied by patients. The number of patients had greatly increased, the mortality being only five per cent. The sum of £9,256 : 19 : 10 had been received during the past year; and on the 31st of December last there remained only £103 : 16 : 4 in hand towards the present year's expenses, after allowing for liabilities due. The Earl of Carnarvon will take the chair at the biennial dinner to be held at Willis's Rooms on the 20th of February next; and the Board rely mainly on the subscriptions then received to maintain the institution, there being no endowment. Votes of thanks to the officers and to the chairman brought the proceedings to a close.

MEDICAL NEWS.

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the science and practice of medicine, and received certificates to practise, on Thursday, January 17th, 1878.

Deakin, James, Sole, Manchester
Lambert, John Speare, St. Leonard's Crescent, Exeter
Pearce, John Puckey, Biscovy Par, Cornwall
Thomas, David Edward, Cumman, Carmarthenshire

KING AND QUEEN'S COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS IN IRELAND.—At the ordinary monthly examination meetings of the College, held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, January 8th, 9th, and 10th, 1878, the following candidates were successful.—For the Licences to practise Medicine and Midwifery.

Aherne, John Leonard
Armstrong, Henry
Arthur, Thomas Francis
Barker, Annie Reay
Macligan, Bartholomew
Redmond, Joseph Michael
Spowart, William Ribton

For the Licence to practise Medicine.

Owen, Richard Foster

Roe, Arthur Legge

For the Licence to practise Midwifery.

Woodroffe, John Fitzhenry

MEDICAL VACANCIES.

THE following vacancies are announced:—

CITY OF LONDON HOSPITAL FOR DISEASES OF THE CHEST—Assistant-Physician. Applications to be made on or before the 26th instant.

DURHAM COUNTY HOSPITAL—House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum, with board and lodging. Applications to be made on or before the 26th instant.

IPSWICH BOROUGH LUNATIC ASYLUM—Assistant Medical Officer. Salary, £100 per annum, with furnished apartments, board, washing, and attendance.

KENT COUNTY LUNATIC ASYLUM—Assistant Medical Officer and Dispenser. Salary, £165 per annum, with furnished apartments, milk, vegetables, washing, and attendance. Applications to be made on or before February 6th.

LIMERICK UNION—Resident Medical Officer of the Workhouse. Salary, £200 a year, with apartments, rations, etc. Applications up to the 30th instant.

LIVERPOOL ROYAL SOUTHERN HOSPITAL—Two Honorary Surgeons. Election in February. For particulars, apply to Honorary Treasurer.

LOUGHBOROUGH DISPENSARY and INFIRMARY—Resident House-Surgeon. Salary, 100 guineas per annum, with furnished rooms, fire, lighting, and attendance. Applications to be made on or before the 26th instant.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE INFIRMARY—Senior House-Surgeon. Salary, £100 per annum, with board, lodging, and washing. Applications to be made on or before February 4th.

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY IN IRELAND—Examiners for 1878 in the following subjects, at the salaries stated. Medicine, £100; Surgery, £100; Midwifery, £75; Materia Medica, £75; Medical Jurisprudence, £75. Applications to be addressed to the Secretary, at Dublin Castle, up to the 15th February.

RADCLIFFE INFIRMARY, Oxford—Surgeon. Applications to be made on or before the 29th instant.

ROYAL FREE HOSPITAL, Gray's Inn Road—Two Junior Resident Medical Officers. Applications on or before the 30th instant.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

Names marked with an asterisk are those of Members of the Association.

ABBOTT, C. E., M.R.C.S.E., appointed House-Surgeon to the Liverpool Infirmary for Children, *vice* R. Clapp, L.R.C.P., resigned.

BARR, James, M.B., appointed Assistant-Physician to the Stanley Hospital, Liverpool.

DAVIES, Hugh Walter, M.R.C.S.Eng., appointed Surgeon to the Memorial Hospital, Jarrow-on-Tyne.

LOYD, Edward J., M.D., appointed Medical Officer to the Normal College, Bangor, *vice* Lewis Jones, L.R.C.P.Ed., deceased.

*MURPHY, James, B.A., M.D., appointed to the Chair of Botany in Durham University College of Medicine, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

*STOWERS, James H., M.D., appointed Physician to the St. John's Hospital for Diseases of the Skin, Leicester Square.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths, is 3s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps with the announcement.

BIRTHS.

FOX.—On January 22nd, at Clarence Street, Victoria Park, Manchester, the wife of Dacre Fox, F.R.C.S.E., of a son.

HARVEY.—On January 21st, at South Petherton, Somerset, the wife of *Walter A. Harvey, M.B., of a son.

DEATH.

DAWSON.—On January 21st, at Hunmanby, Henry Lawrie, infant son of *Dr. Dawson, aged 8 months.

VACCINATION.—Mr. J. W. Harrison has received a grant of £100 : 12 for efficient vaccination in his district, No. 1, Ecclesall Union, Sheffield. This is the third gratuity which he has received.