

fact, although in the opinion of some it was unwise to have a second year's medical course where provision for hospital teaching was not available. The plan of teaching anatomy and physiology with other ancillary sciences in a university with the understanding that the clinical training of the medical student should be obtained elsewhere, has been followed with not other than good results in the case of the older English universities, and the University of St. Andrews has doubtless done wisely in accepting the late Lord Bute's offer.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE, CARDIFF.

On Wednesday afternoon, October 10th, Sir John Williams, Bart., M.D., delivered the inaugural address at the opening of the medical session. There was a large attendance. The chair was occupied Dr. William Thomas Edwards, M.D., Vice-President of the College. The address, which was published in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of October 13th, was listened to with much interest. A vote of thanks was proposed by Professor Dixon, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, and seconded by Dr. Thomas Wallace, President of the Local Branch of the British Medical Association.

The Principal of the College, Professor J. Viriamu Jones, F.R.S., has now quite recovered from his long and serious illness, and has taken up his work again at the College.

The Council of the College has appointed Mr. Evelyn John Evatt, M.B., B.S. Durham, Demonstrator and Assistant Lecturer in Anatomy.

The Samuel Brothers (of Cardiff) Scholarship has been awarded to Mr. James Jenkins Paterson.

ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS.

THE following scholarships have been awarded for 1900:

St. George's Hospital Medical School.—An Entrance Scholarship in Arts, of the value of £150, to Mr. Valentine Henry Blake. An Entrance Scholarship in Arts, of the value of £50, to Mr. James Aubrey Torrens, of St. Paul's School. An Entrance Scholarship in Science, of the value of £85, to Mr. Basil Nelson Tebbs, M.A., of Queen's College, Cambridge. An Entrance Scholarship in Science, of the value of £42 10s., to Mr. John Douglas Hope Freshwater, B.A., of Trinity College, Cambridge. An Entrance Scholarship in Science, of the value of £42 10s., to Mr. Harry Bertram McCaskie, B.A., of Caius College, Cambridge.

King's College, London.—In the Medical Faculty: Warneford Scholarships, £75 each, Mr. R. Taylor and Mr. A. M. Pollard. Medical Entrance Scholarship, 60 guineas, to Mr. F. J. Miller. Sambrooke Medical Scholarships of £60 to Mr. R. H. C. Gompertz, and £40 to Mr. A. D. Griffith. Open to all Faculties: Clothworkers' Science Scholarships, £30 for two years, to Mr. W. J. Marlow, and £20 for two years to Mr. O. C. Thompson.

LITERARY NOTES.

ONE of the signs of the times is the increasing attention everywhere given to tropical medicine. There is nothing surprising, therefore, in the appearance of a journal devoted to the subject at Havana. The title of the new periodical, which is to be published monthly, is *Revista de Medicina Tropical*. The editor-in-chief is Professor Juan Guiteras, whose name is well known as an authority on tropical diseases, and among the members of the staff are Dr. Charlor Finlay, Dr. Raimundo Menocal, and Dr. Emilio Martinez. The first number (July) contains papers on the introduction and dissemination of bubonic plague, preventive inoculation against typhoid fever, and the pathogeny of icterus gravis. Among the contents of the second number (August) is a preliminary note by Professor Guiteras on "Anopheles in Cuba."

In the July number of *Science Gossip* there will be found an interesting article by Major B. M. Skinner, R.A.M.C., Medical Officer in charge of the Staff of the Sixth Division of the South Africa Field Force. It is upon the geology of the region traversed by the army in the march from Enslin to Bloemfontein. Major Skinner, who is a skilled geologist, describes the extraordinary appearance and formation of that inhospitable country. The article is illustrated by diagrams of sections.

Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson in a recent issue of his *Archives of Surgery* states that in the Harleian Manuscript 383, there is a copy of a letter from a Mr. William Neve to Sir Thomas Holande, concerning the embalment and bringing to town of the body of King James. The writer says:

The King's body was about the 20th of March disembowelled, and his heart was found to be great but soft, his liver freshe as a young man's, one of his kidneys very good, but the other shrunke soe little as they could hardly find it, wherein there was two stones. His Lites and Gall blacke: judged to proceed of melancholy. The semytire of his head so stronge as they could hardly breake it open with a chesill and a sawe; and soe full of braynes as they could not upon the openinge keepe them from spilling: a great marke of his infynite judgement.

Dr. Max von Niessen (Wiesbaden) has issued the first number of a periodical to be devoted to the study of syphilis. It is printed in French and German in parallel columns. The German title is *Beiträge zur Syphilis-Forschung*; the French title *Articles pour l'Investigation de la Syphilis*. The first number contains two papers by Dr. von Niessen, the one on a method of cultivating a bacillus, which he believes to be a specific, from the blood of syphilitic patients; the other upon the method of cultivating gonococci. Both articles are illustrated by reproductions of microphotographs. Contributions are invited from persons interested in the study of syphilis, and articles in English will be published with translations into French and German. The periodical, which is published by the editor at Wiesbaden, will appear at irregular intervals. The cost, we understand from a notice appended to the first number, is defrayed by a generous friend of Dr. Niessen.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

COUNCIL.

ALTERATION OF DATE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Council will be held in the Council Room of the Association at 429, Strand (corner of Agar Street), London, on **Wednesday the 24th day of October next**, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The following Committees will also meet:

Tuesday, October 23rd, 1900.—2.0 P.M., Premises and Library Committee.—2.30 P.M., Constitution Committee.—4.30 P.M., Arrangement Committee. *Wednesday, October 24th, 1900.*—10.0 A.M., Journal and Finance Committee.—5.0 P.M., Parliamentary Bills Committee.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

October 17th, 1900.

LIBRARY OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are reminded that the Library and Writing Rooms of the Association are now fitted up for the accommodation of the Members in commodious apartments, at the office of the Association, 429, Strand. The rooms are open from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Members can have their letters addressed to them at the office.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

PERTSHIRE BRANCH.—The annual meeting of this Branch will be held in the Station Hotel, Perth, on Friday, November 2nd. Candidates for election will please communicate with A. R. URQUHART, James Murray's Royal Asylum, Perth, Honorary Secretary.

SHROPSHIRE AND MID-WALES BRANCH.—The annual general meeting of this Branch will be held at the Salop Infirmary on Tuesday, October 23rd, at 3 P.M.—HAROLD H. B. MACLEOD, College Hill, Shrewsbury, Honorary Secretary.

STAFFORDSHIRE BRANCH.—The twenty-seventh annual general meeting of this Branch will be held at the Victoria Hotel, Wolverhampton, on Thursday, October 25th, at 5 P.M., when an address will be delivered by Dr. Alfred H. Carter, President-Elect. Business: Election of new members. Reports of Council and Ethical Committee. To decide place of holding next annual meeting. Election of officers and Council for the ensuing year.—F. MILNES BLUMER, Stafford, Honorary General Secretary.

YORKSHIRE BRANCH.—The next ordinary meeting of this Branch will be held at the Hotel Majestic, Harrogate, on Wednesday, October 24th, at 3.30 P.M. Members intending to read papers, to propose new members of the Branch or of the Association, or to make any communication, are requested to write to the Secretary at once. The members will dine together at 6.30 P.M.—**ADOLPH BRONNER, M.D.**, 33, Manor Row, Bradford, Honorary Secretary.

OXFORD AND DISTRICT BRANCH.—The next meeting of this Branch will be held at the Radcliffe Infirmary on Friday, October 26th, at 3 P.M. Members willing to read papers or show cases or specimens are requested to communicate with the Honorary Secretary as early as possible.—**WM. COLLIER, St. Mary's Entry, Oxford,** Honorary Secretary.

WEST SOMERSET BRANCH.—The autumnal meeting of this Branch will be held at the Taunton and Somerset Hospital on Tuesday, October 30th, at 4 P.M. Business: The Question of Coroners' Fees introduced by the President, Mr. G. F. Sydenham. Mr. W. J. Walsham, of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London, will read a paper on the Treatment of Appendicitis. Members wishing to contribute cases or papers should inform the Honorary Secretary as soon as possible. The annual dinner will be held at the London Hotel in the evening.—**R. LIDDON MEADE-KING, Taunton,** Honorary Secretary.

STIRLING, KINROSS, AND CLACKMANNAN BRANCH.—The autumn meeting of this Branch will be held on Tuesday, October 30th, at 4.15 P.M., in the Crown Hotel, Falkirk. Professor Stockman will read a paper on the Action and Value of some commonly used Drugs. The annual dinner will take place after the meeting. All members of the Association resident in the Branch District are cordially invited. Members desiring to show cases or specimens, and candidates for election, will please communicate with **J. E. MOORHOUSE, 1, Glebe Avenue, Stirling,** Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: EAST LONDON AND SOUTH ESSEX DISTRICT.—A meeting of this District will be held at the London Hospital on Thursday, October 25th, at 4 P.M. The chair will be taken by Dr. Eastes, President of the Branch. A demonstration of cases will be given by Dr. F. J. Smith, Vice-President of the District, and other members of the staff. Visitors are invited.—**C. J. MORTON, 56, Orford Road, Walthamstow,** Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: WEST LONDON DISTRICT.—A meeting of the District Committee will be held at 26, Colville Square, W., on Tuesday, October 30th, at 5 P.M., to arrange the business for the ensuing session. Members wishing to read papers or intending to receive the District at any West End hospitals are requested to communicate with the Secretary.—**THOMAS DUTTON, M.D., 76, Clarendon Road, W.,** Honorary Secretary.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST SURREY DISTRICT.—A meeting of the above District will be held at the Royal Surrey County Hospital, Guildford, on Thursday, October 25th, at 4.15 P.M. Dr. Walters, of Keigate (President of the Branch), will preside. Agenda—Minutes of Guildford meeting; to decide where the next meeting shall be held, and to nominate a member of the Branch to take the chair thereat. Papers—Dr. Robert Boxall (London): Midwifery as practised by Natives in the Far East, illustrated by lantern slides. Mr. Lang (London): The Recognition and Treatment of Glaucoma, illustrated by lantern slides. Dinner at the White Lion Hotel at 6.30 P.M.; charge 6s., exclusive of wine. All members of the South-Eastern Branch are entitled to attend and introduce professional friends. Members desirous of exhibiting specimens or reading notes of cases are invited to communicate with the Honorary Secretary at once. N.B.—The Honorary Secretary would be much obliged if members would kindly inform him whether they intend to remain to dinner. By so doing they will materially facilitate arrangements, and promote the success of the dinner.—**ALEX. HOPE WALKER, The Common, Cranleigh,** Honorary Secretary.

SOUTHERN BRANCH: SOUTH-EAST HANTS DISTRICT.—The autumn meeting of this District will be held at 5, Pembroke Road, Portsmouth, on Thursday, November 1st, at 3.30 P.M. Members who wish to bring forward any business, to read papers, etc., show cases or specimens, or to propose any new members are requested to communicate at once with the Honorary Secretary, **J. G. BLACKMAN, Poplar House, Kingston Crescent, Portsmouth.**

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: WEST SUSSEX DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this District will be held at the West Sussex County Asylum, Chichester, on November 6th, at 3.15 P.M. Dr. Ernest Buckell will preside. The following papers have been promised; Mr. H. Stansfield Collier: Appendicitis. Dr. Hindle: Two cases of Abortion. Mr. Rawlinson: The Notes of Two Cases of Hemipia. Dr. H. A. Kidd will show cases illustrating a short paper on various forms of insanity. A dinner will be held at the Dolphin Hotel, at 5.30. Tickets 6s., exclusive of wines. All members of the Branch are entitled to attend and introduce a professional friend.—**H. C. L. MORRIS, 10, The Steyne, Bognor,** Honorary Secretary.

The Swedish Medical Association in Stockholm has founded a gold Pasteur Medal, to be given every tenth year to the investigator who has done most to advance bacteriology or hygiene. On one side the medal has a portrait of Pasteur, and on the other the inscription, "A Louis Pasteur la Société Médicale Suédoise, 27 Decembre, 1892." The first award of the medal has been made to Professor Max v. Pettenkofer, of Munich.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

PARIS.

The Académie de Médecine: Operation for Complete Prolapse of Rectum.—Return of Dr. Yersin.—The Continental Anglo-American Medical Society.—Statistics of Typhoid Fever and Small pox.

At the first meeting of the Académie de Médecine after the long vacation, M. Delorme showed a patient who had suffered for fifteen years from complete prolapse of the rectum, which condition had been cured by circular excision of the entire invaginating cylinder of mucous membrane, and of a portion of the invaginated cylinder. All trace of the prolapse, even during straining, has disappeared, the radiating folds have reappeared, the sphincter dilates without pain, and the patient has now complete control, not only of solid but also of liquid stools and of gas.

M. Yersin, who simultaneously with Kitasato, discovered the plague bacillus, landed at Marseilles on Friday, October 12th. He returns after finishing his work at Hong Kong and Bombay, and will in due course present to the Académie de Médecine a report on the results obtained with the antiplague serum.

The annual meeting of the Continental Anglo-American Medical Society was held on October 9th at the residence of Dr. George J. Bull, the Honorary Secretary. The Hon. Alan Herbert, M.D., took the chair. The Honorary Secretary read the minutes of the last annual meeting, which were adopted. By the laws of the Society three members of the Executive Committee retire annually in rotation; the following were elected to fill the vacancies: Dr. J. Faure-Miller, Dr. C. K. Austin and Dr. Leonard Robinson. There were eight candidates for membership, and on the voting papers being examined the following were elected: Chas. J. Koenig, M.D. San Francisco, M.D. Paris. R. H. Turner, M.D. Paris, and M. A. C. Tacker, M.D. Paris, practising in Paris; Ralph Browne, M.D. Durh., M.R.C.S., etc., practising at Cannes; H. M. W. Bridgman, M.R.C.S., L.R.O.P., and E. G. Boon, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., practising at Massio, Italy; R. J. Mills, M.B., C.M. Aberd., M.R.C.S., practising at Langenschwalbach, Germany; and John Dalebrook, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., practising at Seville, Spain. In the evening the annual dinner was held at the Grand Hôtel, when twenty-four members and guests assembled under the presidency of Mr. C. K. Gowdy, the United States Consul-General. The Chairman proposed the loyal toasts of "The Queen," and of "The Presidents of the United States and of the French Republic." A humorous speech was made by Dr. Bull, who dwelt on the flourishing state of the Society, which numbers 131 members. Dr. Koenig replied for the new members. Dr. Robinson proposed the toast of "Our Guests." Dr. Landolt replied. The Honourable Alan Herbert M.D., proposed the health of "The Chairman." Other speakers were Dr. Faure-Miller, Mr. Drewett, and Mr. Theodore Stanton. The Chairman in a witty speech proposed "The Health and Prosperity of the Society," thus bringing to a close a very enjoyable evening.

The following table shows the number of cases and deaths from typhoid fever and small-pox respectively during the last ten weeks in Paris:

Week.	Typhoid Fever.		Small-pox.	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
31st	107	26	15	1
32nd	187	16	16	2
33rd	158	29	12	3
34th	168	31	14	—
35th	114	20	15	2
36th	140	20	41	5
37th	132	19	33	12
38th	162	36	46	3
39th	104	23	38	6
40th	99	18	17	7

The totals in Paris for the first forty weeks of 1900 were: Typhoid fever, 4,192 cases, 729 deaths; small-pox, 608 cases, 75 deaths.