

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

A MEETING of the Council will be held on October 22nd. Any candidate for election whose place of residence is not included in the area of any Branch should forward his application upon a form, which will be furnished by the General Secretary of the Association, 429, Strand. Applications must be sent to the General Secretary thirty-five days prior to the date of the meeting of the Council.

LIBRARY OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL
ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are reminded that the Library and Writing Rooms of the Association are 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.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCH.—The autumnal meeting of this Branch will be held at the General Infirmary, Northampton, on Thursday, October 16th, at 2 o'clock, under the presidency of Mr. Gifford Nash (Bedford). Papers have been promised by Drs. Buszard and Hichens, and Mr. Cecil Powell will read notes of a case. The Secretary will be obliged if members intending to read papers or cases will communicate with him without delay.—E. HARRIES JONES, Northampton, Hon. Secretary.

MIDLAND BRANCH.—A meeting of this Branch will be held at the Infirmary, Stamford, at 2.45 p.m. on Thursday, October 2nd. Business: To consider what Divisions should be formed within this Branch area, and if necessary to appoint a special committee to deal with the matter. Any communications on this subject to be addressed to the Branch Secretary. The President, Mr. T. P. Greenwood, invites members to luncheon at his residence, 36, St. Mary's Street, Stamford, at 1.15 p.m., and also to afternoon tea after the meeting. Any member proposing to accept the President's hospitality is requested to inform him on or before September 30th. The Branch Council meeting will take place at the Infirmary at 2.30 p.m.—FRANK M. POPE, 4, Prebend Street, Leicester, Branch Secretary.

NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH.—The autumn meeting of this Branch will be held on Wednesday, October 1st, at 4 p.m., in the Library of the Royal Infirmary, Newcastle-on-Tyne. Business: To consider the new Articles and By-laws of the Association so far as they affect the Branch; if thought desirable, to proceed to draw up new rules for the government of the Branch. As the success of the new departure depends entirely on the interest and energy shown by the Branches, it is hoped and expected that a large number of members will consider it a duty to attend at this important juncture in the history of the Association. Dinner will be held at the Criterion Restaurant, Market Street, at 6.15 p.m., price of dinner 6s. 6d., exclusive of wine. Those intending to be present at the dinner are requested to let the Secretary know not later than September 30th. All members of the profession are welcome to both meeting and dinner.—ALFRED COX, Cotfield House, Gateshead, Acting Honorary Secretary.

NORTH WALES BRANCH.—The autumn intermediate meeting of this Branch will be held at the Royal Hotel, Carnarvon, on Tuesday, September 30th, at 3 p.m. Business: To discuss the new by-laws and regulations of the Association, and determine the boundaries of the several Divisions or Districts of the Branch.—W. JONES MORRIS, Portmadoc, H. JONES ROBERTS, Penygroes, Hon. Secretaries.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SUSSEX DISTRICT.—A meeting of this District will be held at the Metropolitan Hotel, Bexhill-on-Sea, on Thursday, October 9th, at 4 p.m. Dr. Murdoch will take the chair. Papers will be read by the Chairman, Mr. Lawrence, and Mr. Templeton. Other members intending to read papers or show cases, etc., are requested to communicate as early as possible with the Honorary Secretary, W. J. C. MERRY, M.D., 2, Chiswick Place, Eastbourne.

SOUTH-EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SURREY DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this district will be held at the White Hart Hotel, Reigate, on Thursday, October 9th, at 4 p.m., Mr. John Walters, M.B., of Reigate, in the chair. Agenda: (1) Minutes of Croydon meeting; (2) to decide when and where the next meeting shall be held and to nominate a member of the Branch to take the chair thereat. The following papers, etc., have been promised: Dr. F. J. Smith (no title). Mr. C. W. Mansel Moullin: The Treatment, Medical and Surgical, of Gastric Ulcer. Dinner at 6 p.m., charge 7s., exclusive of wine. All members of the South-Eastern Branch are entitled to attend and to introduce professional friends. N.B.—The Hon. Secretary would be much obliged if members would kindly inform him whether they intend, if possible, to be present at the meeting, and if likely to remain to dinner. By so doing they will very materially facilitate arrangements, and promote the success of the meeting.—HENRY J. PRANGLEY, Tudor House, Anerley, Hon. Secretary.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE autumn meeting of this Branch was held at Workington on September 19th. The PRESIDENT (Dr. Ormrod) occupied the chair.

New Member.—At the Council meeting the election of Dr. J. Q. Donald (Dumfries) by the Council of the Association was confirmed.

Delimitation of Divisions of Branch.—Letters were read on this subject from the Organizing Secretary, Dr. J. Smith Whitaker, and Dr. Buist of Dundee, Convener of the Scottish Subcommittee, and it was decided to ask the approval of the general meeting that this matter be entrusted to the Branch Council. It was decided that the next meeting of the Branch should be held at Dumfries during the month of December.

Confirmation of Minutes.—At the general meeting, at which twelve members and three visitors were present, the minutes of the last meeting were read, approved, and signed by the President.

Report of Council.—The SECRETARY informed the meeting of the intention that Subcommittee meetings should be held, composed of the Secretaries of the different Branches in areas decided upon by the Council of the Association; that these meetings were to discuss the boundaries of the various Branches and the formation of Divisions.—On the motion of Dr. SOMERVILLE (Galashiels), seconded by Dr. HIGHT (Workington), it was resolved:

That the further discussion of this matter be left entirely in the hands of the Council of the Branch.

Communications.—The PRESIDENT read an extremely interesting paper upon numerous cases of lead poisoning of a severe type due to the inhalation of fumes generated during the process of purifying the ore at some of the ironworks in the neighbourhood. Certain ores, he said, contained large amounts of lead, and the fumes had been found to contain 74 per cent. oxide of lead. The most marked symptoms were extreme anaemia, agonizing colic, severe constipation, profuse perspiration, and the invariable presence of Burton's line. He also emphasized the fact that in spite of the severity of the attacks and their long continuance there was never any paralysis of any kind whatsoever. A patient was shown whose appearance well illustrated the President's remarks.—Dr. HIGHT (Workington) read a paper upon the treatment of pneumonia of the sthenic type, and advocated free bleeding. An animated discussion followed, in which every member present took part.—Time did not permit the third paper on Six Cases of Disease of the Optic Nerve, by Dr. HILL (Carlisle), to be read.

Dinner.—The members subsequently adjourned to the Central Hotel, where they dined together as the guests of the President.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

NEWCASTLE-UPON-TYNE.

Inauguration of a Glasgow University Club and Complimentary Banquet to Professor McKendrick.

AT the inauguration of the Newcastle-upon-Tyne and North of England Glasgow University Club in Newcastle, on September 17th, Professor McKendrick, who is the external Examiner in Physiology at the University of Durham, was entertained to dinner. The company, which numbered nearly fifty, was presided over by Professor T. Oliver, and included in addition to medical graduates the Deputy-Mayor of Newcastle, the Sheriff, Sir George H. Philipson, Rev. Mr. Stewart, and Mr. James Thomson, nephew of Lord Kelvin. The principal toast of the evening, "Our Alma Mater and the Guest of the evening, Professor McKendrick," was proposed by the Chairman, who, in alluding to his Alma Mater, spoke of Glasgow University as an illustration of an institution that had retained all that was best in the traditions of age, and yet had adapted itself to modern needs. A University that could claim Adam Smith and Black, Cullen and Hunter, which threw its mantle of protection over Watt while he perfected his experiments, whose students could recall Caird, Lushington and Allen Thomson, and to whom Lord Kelvin and Sir William Tennant Gairdner were more than simply personages,