

his medical career abroad, gaining special experience in some of the rarer tropical diseases. Returning to Glasgow, he settled down to private practice, but devoted his attention principally to obstetrics and diseases of women, and at the time of his death he was one of the Dispensing Physicians for Diseases of Women at the Glasgow Western Infirmary. In addition to his medical work, Dr. Turner naturally took a particular interest in geographical and missionary work, being Secretary of the local branch of the Royal Scottish Geographical Society. He made important contributions both to medical and to geographical literature. Much sympathy is felt for his widow and family, of whom more than one have entered their father's profession.

PROFESSOR LUDWIG MEYER,
Göttingen.

PROFESSOR LUDWIG MEYER died at the Provincial Asylum of Göttingen on February 8th. He was for many years the Director of that institution, and of the clinical wards for psychiatry in the University. In early life he was attached to the Hamburg Asylum, where he enthusiastically upheld the non-restraint system of treatment in face of much opposition. On being called to superintend the newly-erected asylum at Göttingen in 1866, he had free scope for the development of principles which he ever afterwards carried out in a truly enlightened and progressive fashion. Of late years the original building was enlarged by the addition of separate villas, and he made the clinical department of the University no less successful than the ordinary asylum.

Professor Meyer wrote many notable articles on subjects relating to mental and nervous diseases, and to the last kept abreast of the times in the scientific work of his profession. He was specially commissioned to report on psychiatry in Germany, and gave a lucid account of his own work in 1891. A remarkable instance of his independent and original thinking is his declaration that for over a quarter of a century he had discontinued forcible feeding of obstinate patients, with better results than are generally obtained. These could only be achieved by intense personal interest in the daily life of individual patients, and by unwearying efforts to ameliorate their condition.

In many other directions Professor Meyer made his influence felt, and his loss will be deeply regretted not only in Germany, but wherever psychiatry is the subject of serious study.

ROYAL NAVY AND ARMY MEDICAL SERVICES.

VOLUNTEER STAFF CORPS AND BEARER COMPANIES FOR SOUTH AFRICA AND AT HOME.

A SPECIAL Army Order dated February 5th sets out the conditions under which the services of members of the Volunteer Medical Staff Corps and bearer companies of volunteer infantry brigades will be accepted for duty in South Africa or at home.

IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Every volunteer must enlist into the Royal Army Medical Corps for one year or for the war. In the event of the war being over in less than one year, he will have the option of being discharged at once, or of completing his one year of service. Every applicant must be between the ages of 20 and 25, must have been returned as efficient during 1898-99, must be of good character, must be up to the physical standards of an infantry recruit, and must be medically fit for active service. Preference will be given to unmarried men or widowers.

Applications for enlistment will be forwarded by officers commanding companies of the Volunteer Medical Staff Corps to the officer commanding the Royal Army Medical Corps in the district, who will have the applicant medically examined. In the case of a brigade bearer company, the senior medical officer of the brigade will apply to the brigadier-general commanding. After attestation recruits will join the Royal Army Medical Corps depot at Aldershot.

Persons selected for commissions who do not hold commissions in the regular forces or militia will be granted temporary commissions in the R.A.M.C. Officers and non-commissioned officers and men will wear the uniform of the R.A.M.C. as laid down for service in South Africa, but will retain the distinctive badges of their own corps. A volunteer will receive the pay and allowances of their rank in the Royal Army Medical Corps, with rations and clothing from the date of enlistment, and on completing the period will receive a gratuity of £5, and in case of discharge in consequence of wounds, injuries, or disability received or contracted while on service, will be entitled to a pension.

AT HOME.

Members of the Volunteer Medical Staff Corps, and of bearer companies of volunteer infantry brigades desiring to volunteer their services, may be called out for service in the hospitals in the United Kingdom. They will be called out for six months or for such shorter period as their services may be required, and will be attached for duty to the various hospitals. Two guineas will be paid to the officer commanding in respect to each officer and volunteer called out to meet the cost of providing necessaries, including undress uniform, and on the release of any detachments or individual one guinea will be paid to each. They will wear the uniform of their respective corps except when on duty in the wards, when they will wear fatigue dress.

A meeting of brigade-surgeons of the metropolitan and home counties brigade was held last week shortly after the issue of the Order, and it was decided that a volunteer bearer company should be formed for service in South Africa, and another for home service. It was decided that inquiries should be made among all the regiments of the district as to the number of medical officers and trained certificated bearers available. It was understood that there would be no difficulty in forming the two companies, and that, in fact, the number of applications would certainly be in excess of the requirements.

ROYAL NAVY MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE following appointments have been made at the Admiralty: ALAN G. EASTMENT, Surgeon, lent to the *Rodney* until February 20th, from February 6th; PERCY H. BANNISTER, M.B., Surgeon, to the *Benbow*, February 9th; HENRY W. STEPHENS, Surgeon, to be in medical charge of the ratings on the passages in the Dominion liner the *Yanconver*, leaving Liverpool, March 8th; RICHARD S. OSBORNE, Surgeon, to the *Tamar*, additional, and to the *Robin*, on commissioning, to take passage in the *Edgar*, and for duty if required, February 20th; ALEXANDER J. JOHNSTON, Fleet-Surgeon, to the *Edgar*, for medical charge on the voyage to England, and afterwards to Plymouth Hospital, undated; ALEXANDER F. HARPER, Staff-Surgeon, to the *Edgar*, for medical charge on the voyage to China, February 20th, and afterwards to the *Victorious*, undated; JOSEPH H. WHELAN, Staff-Surgeon, to the *Dianna*, February 15th.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE Queen has approved of the grant of a good service pension of £100 a year to Surgeon-General WM. TAYLOR, M.D., C.B., the Principal Medical Officer on the staff of the Commander-in-Chief in India. This officer has been serving for upwards of thirty-five years in the army, during which period he has been no fewer than seven times on active service—namely, the Jowaki expedition of 1877; the Burmese expedition, 1885-86; the Hazara expedition, 1888; the Burmese expedition, 1888-89; the Ashanti expedition, 1895-96; the Nile expedition, 1898; and he was attached to the headquarters of the Japanese army during the war between Japan and China in 1894-95. He has been on three occasions mentioned in despatches, especially for his services as Principal Medical Officer of the expedition to Khartoum in 1898, for which he received the honour of a C.B. and the Order of the Medjidie. Among his other decorations for these numerous campaigns, he wears the Japanese war medal, awarded him, with thanks, for his valuable services to the Japanese army in 1894-95.

The following is a list of successful candidates for commissions in the Royal Army Medical Corps at the recent examinations in London:

	Marks.		Marks.
T. Biggan	2,554	W. J. P. Adye-Curran	2,185
H. Richardson	2,532	J. Powell	2,156
C. H. Carr	2,490	R. L. Argles	2,099
W. L. Baker	2,462	J. G. Foster	1,975
F. W. Cotton	2,320	F. P. Lauder	1,970
E. Bennett	2,275	E. G. Ford	1,803
F. M. Parry	2,248	F. S. Walker	1,802
B. R. Dinnis	2,221	L. M. Purser	1,800
J. S. Twigg	2,185		

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

CAPTAIN HENRY A. BERRYMAN, from half-pay, to be Captain, with precedence next below K. M. Cameron, M.B., *vice* A. L. Borradaile, M.B., promoted, January 24th. Captain Berryman was placed on half-pay on account of ill-health in February of last year.

Sergeant-Major HUGH BRADLEY is appointed Quartermaster, with the honorary rank of Lieutenant, on augmentation, February 20th.

Major A. M. ROSE is reported as having been slightly wounded at Potgeiter's Drift, Natal, during the fighting there on February 5th to the 7th. Major Rose went to South Africa in October last.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

SURGEON-MAJORS J. H. HAY, M.D., and T. FORT are promoted to be Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonels February 14th.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

COLONEL G. W. R. HAY, M.D., Bombay Establishment, Principal Medical Officer Bombay and Aden Districts, while on privilege leave, is transferred to Quetta as Principal Medical Officer, Quetta District, from November 15th.

Lieutenant-Colonel ANDREW DUNCAN, M.D., Bengal Establishment, has retired from the service, which he entered as Surgeon, March 20th, 1878, becoming Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel, March 20th, 1898. He was in the Afghan war in 1878-80, and was present in the engagements at Mattoon and at Charasiah on October 6th, 1879, at the latter of which he was severely wounded (medal with clasp). He was also with the Nazara Expedition in 1891, and received the Frontier medal with clasp.

Lieutenant-Colonel F. C. BARKER, M.D., Bombay Establishment, has also retired from the service. He entered as Assistant-Surgeon,

October 1st, 1860, and became Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel, August 31st, 1895.

The following candidates for Her Majesty's Indian Medical Service were successful at the competitive examinations held in London on February 2nd and following days :

	Marks.		Marks.
J. D. Graham	3,640	J. C. S. Oxley	2,615
C. A. Sprawson	2,936	H. R. Macnee	2,360
W. H. Cazaly	2,928	W. Lapsley	2,524
W. V. Coppinger	2,812	W. D. A. Keys	2,497
P. A. Browne	2,785	A. Chalmers	2,459
A. Spitteler	2,768	J. Good	2,453
M. Mackelvie	2,651	W. M. Houston	2,402
L. J. M. Deas	2,621	G. J. G. Young	2,363
W. G. Hamilton	2,620	S. R. Godkin	2,262

RETIREMENT FROM THE ROYAL NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.
STAFF-SURGEON writes: Referring to the article on Royal Navy Medical Service, in the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL of January 27th, pp. 212 and 213, I should be obliged if you could inform me if a medical officer could retire after 20 years' service from date of entry; otherwise one desirous of retiring would be obliged to go to the expense of having his uniform altered at a considerable expense for perhaps one month's service.

. Twenty years' full pay service has always hitherto been required, to secure retirement, both by naval and military medical officers. Naval medical officers specially promoted to Fleet rank could no claim retirement until they had completed twenty years' full pay service.

UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

Board of Electors.—Dr. D. MacAlister has been appointed an Elector to the Chair of Anatomy; Sir T. Lauder Brunton an Elector to the Downing Professorship of Medicine; Dr. Gaskell an Elector to the Chair of Physiology; Mr. T. Holmes an Elector to the Chair of Surgery; and Dr. L. Humphry an Elector to the Chair of Pathology.

Examination for Degrees.—Parts I. and II. of the third examination for the degrees of M.B. and B.C. will commence on Tuesday, April 24th. The examination for the degree of M.C. will commence on Friday, April 27th. Names of candidates must be sent to the Registrar on or before Saturday, March 31st.

UNIVERSITY OF ST. ANDREWS.

Graduates' Association.—At the last meeting of the Council of this Association, which was held at 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, the following resolution was unanimously adopted: "That action be taken with a view of restoring to the University the right which it so long possessed of granting the degree of Doctor of Medicine to registered practitioners of fifteen years' standing, who are not under 40 years of age, on their passing a full and satisfactory professional examination. The Council in so doing are only seeking to place the University in the position which the University of Durham now holds, and they desire to act without prejudice to the other Scottish Universities which may wish to exercise the like power of graduation."

ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND.

At a meeting of the Senate of the Royal University of Ireland held on Thursday, February 8th, the following appointments were made:

Medical Fellows (for three years).—A. Birmingham, J. P. Pye, J. Symington, J. J. Charles, D. J. Coffey, J. I. Lynham, P. J. Hayes, and Sir Thornley Stoker.

Examiners (for the year 1900).—A. J. M. Blaney, J. F. O'Carroll, J. A. Lindsay, W. H. Thompson, E. J. M'weeney, J. L. Smith, J. W. Byers, A. J. Smith, C. Y. Pearson, A. Roche, F. J. B. Quinlan, W. Whitla, A. W. Sandford, L. Werner, and Sir C. A. Cameron.

UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN.

In connection with the School of Physic in the University of Dublin, the Board of Trinity College have made the following appointments of University Examiners for the present year. In Medicine: Dr. James Craig, Physician to the Meath Hospital; and Dr. H. C. Drury, Physician to Cork Street Fever Hospital. In Surgery: Mr. F. T. Heuston, Senior Surgeon to the Adelaide Hospital. In Midwifery: Dr. Henry Jellett, ex-Assistant Master of the Rotunda Hospital. In Ophthalmology: Mr. J. B. Story, Surgeon to the Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.

An ordinary Council was held on February 8th, Mr. H. G. Howse, Vice-President, in the chair.

Court of Examiners.—Mr. W. H. A. Jacobson was appointed Examiner in Surgery in the vacancy of Mr. J. N. Davies-Colley, resigned from ill-health. Mr. H. W. Page was appointed a Member of the Board of Examiners in Dental Surgery, in the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. J. N. Davies-Colley.

Food Preservatives.—The Vice-Presidents reported that, in pursuance of the resolution adopted by the Council on January 11th, they had nominated Dr. W. D. Halliburton, F.R.S., and Dr. E. H. Starling, F.R.S., to give evidence before the Committee appointed by the Local Government Board to inquire into the use and effects of food preservatives and colouring matters. This was confirmed by the Council.

Cartwright Trust.—The Vice-Presidents reported that Mr. S. Hamilton Cartwright had ascertained that the Charity Commissioners were prepared to consent to the alteration of the Cartwright Trust for the purpose of giving effect to the scheme proposed by the Council, provided that the

Fund were invested in the name of the Official Trustee by whom the dividends would be paid to the Trustees, who, they suggested, should be the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the College *ex officio*. The Vice-Presidents stated that they had agreed to this proposal. This was confirmed by the Council.

Medical and Dental Students in South Africa.—A letter was read of January 20th from Mr. F. Newland-Pedley, F.R.C.S., stating that he is going to South Africa as a dental surgeon, and would greatly need the help of several dental students to make splints and act as assistants, and asking that the service of such students in the Imperial Yeomanry Hospital might count as part of their hospital curriculum. The Council resolved that Mr. Newland-Pedley be informed that, on production of satisfactory evidence, the service rendered by dental students in the Imperial Yeomanry Hospital shall be reckoned as part of the hospital curriculum for a period not exceeding six months, in such a manner as the Board of Examiners in Dental Surgery may recommend. The Committee of Management was desired to report to the two Colleges on the recognition of the services rendered by medical students at the seat of war as part of the hospital curriculum.

Midwives Bill.—A letter was read from Mr. F. Rowland Humphreys, Honorary Secretary of the Midwives Bill Committee, forwarding a copy of the Midwives Bill, 1900, which it is proposed to introduce into Parliament in February. A Committee was appointed to consider and report upon it.

Medical Congress in Paris.—A letter was read from the President and General Secretary of the Thirtieth International Medical Congress to be held in Paris from August 2nd to 6th, 1900, inviting the College to send a representative to the Congress. Sir William Mac Cormac was chosen to represent the College at the above Congress.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, EDINBURGH.

A QUARTERLY meeting of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh was held on Tuesday, February 6th, Dr. James Andrew, President, in the chair.

Obituary.—The President referred in sympathetic terms to the loss which the College had sustained through the death of Sir Thomas Grainger Stewart, a past-President of the College, one of its most distinguished Fellows, and the accomplished Professor of Medicine in the University of Edinburgh. He also referred to the untimely death of Dr. George Elder, a Junior Fellow, who had given promise of a bright future.

Admission to the Fellowship.—Dr. Richard Carter, Bath, was admitted by ballot to the Fellowship.

Admission to the Membership.—On a ballot the following candidates were admitted to the Membership of the College after examination—namely: Thomas Wilson Smith, M.D., Bath; William Thomas Ritchie, M.D., Edinburgh; and John William Simpson, M.B., C.M., Edinburgh.

New Licentiate.—The Registrar reported that since the last quarterly meeting 46 persons had obtained the Licence of the College by Examination.

The Laboratory.—The Curator submitted his report for the past year regarding the research and reporting work undertaken in the laboratory during the year and the expenditure incurred. The report showed that 26 workers had been engaged in research, that 1,366 specimens had been reported on, and that the total expenditure had amounted to £801 5s. 8d. The report was adopted by the College.

Recognition of Lecturer on Bacteriology.—Dr. James Taylor Grant, M.R.C.P. Edin., was, after examination, recognised by the College as a Lecturer on Bacteriology, and the President conferred on him the certificate of qualification.

Parlin Prize.—Intimation was made that no essay had been submitted for the Parlin Prize in the gift of the College. It was agreed to announce it as open for competition during the present year.

Tercentenary of Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow.—A letter was read from the President of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, thanking the College for their address of congratulation on the tercentenary of the Faculty.

Award of Freeland Barbour Fellowship.—On the recommendation of the Prize Committee, the Freeland Barbour Fellowship, in the gift of the College, was conferred on Mr. Walter William Chipman, M.B., C.M., Edinburgh.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF IRELAND.

Licentiate in Medicine and Midwifery.—Messrs. R. J. Cane, F. G. Fitzgerald, R. J. Franklin, C. C. Meeke, R. H. Moffit, H. W. Spaight and T. D. Sullivan have passed this examination.

Mr. H. J. Dean, L.S.A., has obtained the Licence in Medicine.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND.

A MEDICAL Students' Guide for the coming session has just been issued by the College. The Preliminary Examinations are held in March and September. The Conjoint Professional Examinations are held in the months of April, July, and October.

The Conjoint Diploma in State Medicine.—Held the first Tuesdays in February, May, and November. Fee, £10 10s.

The Fellowship Examination.—Held the third Mondays in February, May and November. Fee, £26 5s.

The Licence in Surgery for Registered Practitioners.—Held the first Mondays in February, May, and November. Fee, £26 5s.

The Licence in Dentistry.—Held second Mondays in February, May, and November. Fee, Primary, £10 10s.; Final, £10 10s. Entries for all examinations must be made fourteen days previously.

The Guide can be had free on written application to the College, Stephen's Green, Dublin.

CONJOINT BOARD IN IRELAND

Diploma in Public Health.—Messrs. Louis G. Godinho, L.M.I.S., Bombay, J. W. H. Jessett, M.D. Univ. Dub., and Nicholas Cullinan, L.R.C.P. & S. Edin., L.F.P.S.G., have passed this examination, the two former in honours.