

the market price of the drugs sold and the amount charged to the patient must come out of the funds charitably subscribed to the hospital, and in that manner the bread was taken out of the mouth of the poor druggist.

The CHAIRMAN replied, and proposed "The Health of the Guests," which was responded to by Mr. DRUCE, the Mayor of Oxford.

OBITUARY.

WILLIAM JOHNSTONE FYFFE, A.B., M.D. DUBL.,
Deputy Surgeon-General, late Physician to Clifton College.

WILLIAM JOHNSTONE FYFFE died at his residence, 2, Rodney Place, Clifton, on May 17th. He was born on April 24th, 1826, at Baron Court, county Tyrone, of Scotch parents, and was educated at Foyle College, Londonderry. He entered the University of Dublin in 1843 as a student of Arts. He graduated A.B., and in 1847 M.D. In December, 1848, he was gazetted to an assistant-surgeoncy in the 3rd West India Regiment, and served in Barbadoes and Jamaica. Whilst stationed at the latter place a severe epidemic of cholera broke out, and Dr. Fyffe volunteered to attend the civil population in Falmouth; in acknowledgment of his services he received the thanks of the town council and a monetary gift. Invalided home in 1851, he was for some time quartered in the Royal Infirmary, Phoenix Park, Dublin, and in 1853 was gazetted to the 30th Regiment, then stationed at Dover. In 1854, being at Fermoyle, he was ordered with his regiment to proceed to Turkey, sailing from Cork to Scutari, and thence to Bulgaria. On the outbreak of the Crimean war he sailed on H.M.S. *Vulcan*, and, landing in the Crimea, was present at the battle of the Alma and in the march to Sebastopol, and saw the earlier part of the siege, and was present at the battle on October 26th. For this he received two medals and clasps. Being seized with fever he was sent to Balaclava, and afterwards moved to the Scutari Hospital, and in January, 1855, was ordered to proceed home in charge of the transport *Sultana* with 200 sick and wounded. The voyage took 104 days, and was very stormy. On landing in England Dr. Fyffe was presented with an address by the men. The Director-General of the Army Medical Department offered him any appointment he chose to apply for, but on being told by Dr. Bright that his health was in a very precarious state he applied for and obtained six months' leave. Finding himself, however, much better, he again went on duty, and was sent to Fort Pitt, Chatham, being promoted to the rank of Staff Surgeon. At Chatham all the wounded returning from the war passed through his hands. In 1857 he was sent to report on the expediency of erecting a sanatorium at Bath for the army, and here he remained for a year and a-half in very poor health. In 1858 he was appointed Surgeon to the 2nd Battalion of the 13th Light Infantry. With this regiment he remained till 1859, when he exchanged into the 5th Dragoon Guards. Dr. Fyffe was appointed in 1863 Assistant Professor of Medicine at the Army Medical School, Netley, and he lived for the next ten years at Charlton Lodge, Woolston, near Southampton. In 1873 he retired from the army with the rank of Deputy Surgeon-General, having served for twenty-six years. He then settled in Clifton, and began private practice. In 1882 he was appointed by the then head master, the Rev. J. M. Wilson, Physician to Clifton College, which post he held till Midsummer, 1897. Dr. Fyffe was President of the Bristol Medico-Chirurgical Society in 1883-84, and President of the Bath and Bristol Branch of the British Medical Association in 1890-91.

Dr. Fyffe was married twice: first in 1858 to Catherine Elizabeth May Reid Duff, of Corsenvar House, Aberdeenshire, by whom he had one daughter. Mrs. Fyffe died in 1859. His second wife was Caroline Margaret Kington, daughter of Thomas Kington, of Charlton, Somerset, by whom he had eight children. He lost his second wife in 1897, and from this severe blow he never recovered, though he lingered on in very feeble health till May 17th.

No doubt there are many still in the army and on the retired list who remember Dr. Fyffe when he was in the army, but the medical profession of Bristol, as well as the residents of Clifton, will always associate his name more with his connection with Clifton College than with the Service.

During the fifteen years he was Physician to Clifton College he succeeded in making himself respected and beloved by everyone with whom he came in contact. Masters and boys alike felt that in him they had a true friend whose sole object was to guard the health of the great public school that was in his care. How faithfully he performed his duties many hundreds of Old Cliftonians, scattered all over the world, know full well, and the house-masters, whose confidence he had to the fullest degree, felt that his advice on all things pertaining to the hygiene of the school as well as the health could not be bettered. There was, too, a deeply religious side in Dr. Fyffe's character which gave additional force to the opinions he expressed, and marked him as a man above the ordinary. Though out of practice for several years his memory as a kind, upright, and able physician will remain for many years to come among the residents in Clifton.

The first part of the funeral ceremony was performed at Christ Church, Clifton, the church in which he had acted as churchwarden, on May 21st, when a large number of friends, medical and lay, were present.

CHARLES NATTRASS, M.D. ABERD., M.R.C.S., L.S.A.,
Sunderland.

By the death of Dr. Charles Nattrass Sunderland has lost its oldest medical practitioner. He was born in Sunderland in 1822, and at the age of 17 was apprenticed to the late Dr. Mordey, one of the leading practitioners of the town, who at one time held the position of Mayor. Charles Nattrass afterwards entered as a student at Guy's Hospital, and obtained the diplomas of M.R.C.S. and L.S.A. in 1846; in 1856 he took the degree of M.D. at the University of Aberdeen.

Settling down in Sunderland, he was appointed Medical Officer to the Sunderland Union Workhouse, an office which he held for very many years, and soon gained a good and lucrative practice. He was trusted and held in the highest respect by his brother practitioners and his numerous patients. He was a man of the highest character and probity, possessed of a sound knowledge of his profession. He joined the Sunderland Rifle Volunteers as Surgeon on their formation and retired only a few years ago, having been one of the first to receive the V.D. He for many years had one of the largest practices in Sunderland, but of late years he took things more quietly as he did not require to work for his living, and enjoyed nothing more than to go out for a ride on his cob or have a chat with a friend in the club.

He was twice married, and his only child—a daughter of his first wife—died only a few months ago. He leaves a widow. He took a great interest in the Sunderland Infirmary and frequently visited the operating theatre and was most anxious to have all the new operations and instruments explained to him, and has given the very practical proof of his interest in it by bequeathing a sum of close upon £4,000, and he has also bequeathed sums to Eye Infirmary, Institute for the Blind, Orphans Asylum, District Nursing Association, etc.

WILLIAM HARRY DRAPER, M.D.,
New York.

DR. WILLIAM H. DRAPER, of New York, who died recently of pneumonia was born in 1830 in Brattleboro, Vermont. He studied at Columbia College, where he graduated Bachelor of Arts in 1851 and Master in 1855. In the latter year he took his doctor's degree at the New York College of Physicians and Surgeons. He then went abroad and studied in Paris and London for about a year, when he returned to America and began the practice of his profession in New York. During the Civil War he made a trip of inspection to the Peninsula in connection with the Sanitary Commission. In 1869 he was appointed Clinical Professor of Diseases of the Skin at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. He retired from that Professorship after a time, and was appointed to the Chair of Clinical Medicine in the same College in 1879. That post he held until 1898, when he retired with the title of Emeritus Professor. He was a Trustee of the College of Physicians and Surgeons until it became part of Columbia University, and then he was made a Trustee of the University. He was appointed Attending Physician in the New York Hospital in 1862, and acted until 1889 when ill health compelled him to retire. In 1893 he was able to resume the active duties of the

post, and altogether he served the hospital for thirty-nine years. Besides the New York Hospital, Dr. Draper was connected with St. Luke's, the Presbyterian, Trinity, Roosevelt, the New York House of Mercy, and the North-Western Dispensary. Dr. Draper was at one time President of the Alumni Association of the College of Physicians and Surgeons. In 1886 he was President of the College of Physicians and Surgeons, and President of the Academy of Medicine, and other medical societies. Dr. Draper was successful as a teacher, and as a consultant his opinion was in great request and highly valued by his professional brethren.

Sir HERMANN WEBER has sent us the following appreciation of the deceased physician: The death of Dr. W. H. Draper, of New York, will cause sincere regret, not only in the whole of the United States, but also in England. He was one of the founders of the Association of American Physicians, was at one time the President, and enjoyed throughout the whole of his life the greatest esteem of its members. Dr. Draper did not write much, but contributed some good papers to medical literature, and was one of the first to introduce the clinical thermometer into North America. He was a clear lecturer, and awakened in his pupils a keen interest in the study and practice of their profession. His sympathetic and noble nature gained for him the warmest affections of his professional brethren and his patients. Few men in the whole of the United States enjoyed greater influence than Dr. W. H. Draper as a physician and as a man. There was in the character of the face a remarkable likeness between Dr. Draper, Sir William Gull, and the first Napoleon.

WE regret to record the death of Dr. JOHN BROWNE, which occurred on May 1st, at Bridgnorth, Shropshire, after a few days' illness, at the age of 90. Dr. Browne was a native of co. Antrim, his father being a clergyman in that county. He received his medical education in the University and in the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh. He took the M.D. in 1836, and in the same year the L.R.C.S. and L.M. Shortly thereafter he commenced practice in Dundalk, and for more than sixty years he was identified with the public life of the place. In 1847 he performed important public service by fighting a terrible epidemic of typhus fever. He took a great interest in the development and improvement of Dundalk; in addition to being its Consulting Medical Officer of Health, he was the means of founding a Mechanics' Institute, later a Literary and Scientific Institute, and in 1857 a Free Library, being the first result of the Free Public Libraries Act in Ireland. He left Dundalk four years ago, in order to take up his abode with his son-in-law, Dr. Thursfield, of Bridgnorth. Up to the last he retained much of his remarkable physical activity; he was able to be about until a few days before his death and his mental faculties were undimmed to the last. After three days' illness his long, honourable, and useful life was peacefully closed.

ROYAL NAVY AND ARMY MEDICAL SERVICES.

ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS EXCHANGE.

The charge for inserting notices respecting Exchanges in the Army Medical Department is 3s. 6d., which should be forwarded in stamps or post-office order with the notice, not later than Wednesday morning, in order to ensure insertion in the current issue.

A MAJOR R.A.M.C., tour-expired in India next trooping season, is willing to exchange to remain in India one or two years longer.—Address, No. 2,350, BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, 429, Strand, W.C.

THE PARKES MEMORIAL PRIZE.

THE next award of the Parkes Memorial Prize will be given for the best essay On the Prevention of Disease amongst Armies engaged in Active Operations in the Field with Special Reference to the Sanitary Organisation of a Field Force. The prize is open to the medical officers of the army, navy, and Indian services of executive ranks on full pay with the exception of the assistant professors of the Army Medical School during their term of office. Essays must be sent in to the Secretaries of the Parkes Memorial Fund, Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, on or before December 31st, 1903. Each essay must have a motto, and be accompanied by a sealed envelope bearing the same motto, and containing the name of the competitor. The prize consists of a sum of seventy-five guineas and a bronze medal.

CHANGES OF STATION.

The following changes of station amongst the officers of the Royal Army Medical Corps have been officially reported to have taken place during the last month:

	From.	To.
Colonel G. D. N. Leake	—	Woolwich.
Lieut.-Colonel R. C. Gunning	Chester	South Africa.
" R. W. Ford	South Africa...	Portland.
" W. Rowney, M.D.	Bombay	Dover
Major A. M. Davies	Bengal...	Home District.
" G. W. Brazier-Creagh	South Africa...	Woolwich.
" A. Dodd	—	Aldershot.
" A. E. C. Spence, M.B.	Punjab...	South Africa.
" J. Moir, M.B.	South Africa...	Colchester.
Captain P. H. Whiston	Australia	Netley.
" W. G. Beyts	Punjab	Chester.
" H. A. Stalkart, M.B.	Bengal	Edinburgh.
" H. W. K. Read	Bombay	Thames Distct.
" K. M. Cameron, M.B.	Lancaster	South Africa.
" H. W. Vaughan-Williams, M.B.	—	—
Lieutenant A. A. Seeds, M.D.	South Africa...	Cork."
" L. Wood	Lichfield	South Africa.
" A. C. Adderley	Aldershot	Bombay.
" J. Tobin	—	—
" G. E. Leary	—	—
" H. E. Weston	—	Devonport.
" P. H. Henderson, M.B.	—	Bombay.
" J. P. J. Murphy, M.B.	Cork	Punjab.
" A. R. Greenwood	Netley	Madras.
" W. M. H. Spiller, M.B.	Aldershot	Bengal.
" A. D. Jameson	—	Woolwich.
" R. L. Popham	South Africa...	Shorncliffe.
" W. J. Waters	—	1st Life Guards
" J. B. Cautley	Aldershot	Bengal.
" W. M. B. Sparkes	Southampton	Punjab.
" E. W. Powell	Cork	Jamaica.
" J. Jones	Dublin	—
" A. J. W. Wells	—	Aldershot.
" G. F. Sheehan	—	Dublin.
" H. H. Scott, M.B.	—	Chatham.
" H. A. Bransbury	—	Colchester.
" M. W. Falkner	—	Aldershot.
" R. N. Woodley	—	Cork.
" E. Ryan	—	—
" E. F. Parkes, M.B.	—	Dover.
" J. V. Roche	—	Cork.
" A. J. Hull	—	Woolwich.
" R. V. Cowey	—	Aldershot.
" J. Conway	—	Devonport.
" J. H. Barbour, M.B.	—	Belfast.
" F. E. Robinson, M.B.	—	Dublin.
" S. Mason	—	Aldershot.
" J. S. Bostock, M.B.	—	—
" A. H. M'N. Mitchell	—	York."
" J. H. R. Winder, M.D.	—	South Africa.
Quartermaster A. Clapshaw	—	—
" W. N. Archibald	—	—
" J. Watkins	—	—

Major H. E. R. JAMES has assumed temporary command of the Training School, Aldershot.

Lieutenant-Colonel A. KEOGH has been granted increased pay under Article 362 of the Royal Warrant.

Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel H. N. EDWARDS, Militia Medical Staff, has been transferred from Aldershot to Tipperary.

Surgeon-Colonel F. H. WELCH, retired pay, has relinquished the medical charge of troops in the Home District.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. J. ROBBINS, M.D., retired pay, has been transferred from Netley to Parkhurst.

AMBULANCE CHALLENGE SHIELD.

THE final competition for the Ambulance Challenge Shield, at present held by the 2nd Volunteer Battalion Royal Fusiliers, will take place at Wellington Barracks on Saturday, June 1st, at 3 P.M. We are informed that there are eleven entries for the competition.

ROYAL NAVY MEDICAL SERVICE.

THE following appointments have been made at the Admiralty:—WILLIAM W. PRYN, Staff-Surgeon, to the *President*, temporarily, May 13th; GEORGE G. BORRETT, Surgeon, to the *Minerva*, May 13th; SIDNEY ROACH, Surgeon, to the *Pembroke*, May 13th; CHARLES G. MATTHEW, M.B., Staff Surgeon, and A. J. HEWITT, Surgeon, to the *Eclipse*, May 30th; FRANCIS H. A. CLAYTON, Surgeon, to the *Pelorus*, May 30th; JOSEPH A. MOON, Staff Surgeon, to the *President*, temporary, May 15th; HERBERT L. GEOGHEGAN, B.A., M.D., Surgeon, to the *Herald*, May 18th; WILLIAM E. GRIBBELL, Surgeon, to the *Diadem*, May 18th.

Deputy Inspector-General DANIEL FINUCANE, M.D., died at Southsea on May 15th in the 73rd year of his age. He was appointed Surgeon January 4th, 1851; Staff Surgeon December 4th, 1858; Fleet Surgeon June 16th, 1874; and Deputy Inspector-General on retirement November 17th, 1883. He was in receipt of a Greenwich Hospital pension.

ARMY MEDICAL SERVICE.

SURGEON-LIEUTENANT-COLONEL H. R. O. CROSS, 1st Life Guards, retires on retired pay, May 11th. He entered the service as Surgeon-Captain August 4th, 1878; became Surgeon-Major August 11th, 1897; and Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel August 3rd, 1898. He was appointed to the 1st Life Guards October 13th, 1897. He was in the Zulu war in 1899 with the Mounted Infantry of the Flying Column, and with the Cavalry Patrol until the capture of King Cetewayo (medal with clasp). He was also in the Boer war in 1881 with the Mounted Infantry of the Natal Field Force.