

funeral, which took place amidst manifestations of the utmost sorrow and respect, and was attended by neighbouring fellow practitioners and representatives of all classes in the district. His place will be hard to fill, and when one thinks of the mossgrown gravestones in the quiet burial place of Carruthers, on the banks of the purling Kirtle Burn, it is with the thought that at last he has attained well earned rest and peace—the rest of the faithful and true, and the peace which passeth understanding.

DR. LÉON GAUTIER, who died on April 20th, was born at Geneva in 1853, and received his preliminary education at the gymnasium and academy of his native city. In 1872 he went to Paris to study medicine, and in 1877 won the post of *interne*, and worked under Hayem, Lancereaux, and Guyot. It was under the inspiration of Lancereaux that in 1882 he presented a graduation thesis on chronic absinthism, a subject as to which little was then known. On his return to Geneva he devoted himself chiefly to obstetrics. He was for a long time librarian and twice president of the Medical Society of Geneva. In 1902 he was elected a member of the Swiss Medical Commission, of which he was later vice-president. Although he qualified as *privat-docent* in the University of Geneva in 1899 he seems never to have delivered any lectures, but he made many contributions to clinical medicine, and especially to obstetrics. His most important literary productions, however, were in the domain of history. His chief work, *La Médecine à Genève jusqu'à la fin du XVIII<sup>e</sup> siècle*, is based on researches in the archives of the city extending over twenty years. He also took a considerable part in the compilation of the history of Geneva by the Secretary of State, J. A. Gautier, and in that of the registers of the council of the city. Among his other writings are memoirs on the last epidemic of plague in Geneva, on the lepers in Geneva in the Middle Ages, on the diseases of Calvin, and reports on legislative subjects connected with medicine—the federal insurance laws, the federalization of midwives, the reform of medical studies, and alcoholism. Gautier took a very active part in the campaign against tuberculosis. In 1909 he was elected a member of the Grand Council of Switzerland, where he was often the only representative of the medical profession; he was a strenuous defender of its rights, and was always active in the promotion of measures of sanitary betterment. On the outbreak of the war he joined the International Prisoners Agency at Geneva, and did much valuable work for it.

OUR BELGIAN COLLEAGUES AT HOME AND ABROAD.

A MEETING of the Central Committee of the Fund was held on June 8th at the office of the *Lancet*, when Sir Rickman Godlee, the chairman of the Committee, reported the receipt, through the International Commission for Relief in Belgium and Mr. Herbert Hoover, of an acknowledgement of a cheque for £300 sent by the Committee for distribution to medical men and pharmacists in Belgium. The distribution had been made through the agency of the Aide et Protection aux Médecins et Pharmaciens Belges Sinistrés. This sum was the first of three monthly donations of £300 which it had been agreed by the Committee should be transmitted to Belgium in the manner and for the purpose described. Mr. Hoover enclosed also for the consideration of the Committee a transcript of the proceedings of the Belgian Committee, which sufficiently showed the urgent need of the money sent and the wise way in which it was allocated. The Committee thereupon decided to continue sending these monthly grants for three more months. Professor H. G. Greenish was elected a member of the Committee, and will co-operate with Dr. Des Voeux in organizing the consideration of individual cases of distress of Belgian pharmacists in this country. The total receipts of the Fund up to June 8th were £19,250.

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The subscriptions to the Belgian Doctors' and Pharmacists' Relief Fund received since the last list was published are as follows:

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Dr. G. H. D. Carpenter (thirteenth and fourteenth donations—total £14) ...	2 0 0	South-West London Pharmacists' Association, collected by Mr. J. Krall ...	25 0 0
Mrs. Victor Williams ...	2 2 0		

Subscriptions to the Fund should be sent to the Treasurer of the Fund, Dr. H. A. Des Voeux, at 14, Buckingham Gate, London, S.W., and should be made payable to the Belgian Doctors' and Pharmacists' Relief Fund, crossed Lloyds Bank, Limited.

Universities and Colleges.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.

An ordinary Council was held on June 8th, 1916, Sir W. Watson Cheyne, President, in the chair.

Court of Examiners.

Mr. R. L. Knaggs and Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson were re-elected on the Court.

Results of Examinations.

First Fellowship.—Eleven candidates were approved at the late examination.

Final Fellowship.—Diplomas were granted to the following candidates found qualified at the recent examination:

- A. L. P. Gould, Temporary Surgeon R. S. Lawson, C. W. B. Litt'john, F. D. Saner, G. S. Miller.

Dental Surgery.

Diplomas of the Licence in Dental Surgery were granted to eighteen candidates found qualified.

Examiners in Anatomy and Physiology for the Fellowship.

The following were appointed for the ensuing year:

- ANATOMY.—W. H. Clayton Greene, R. W. Reid, Gordon Taylor, W. Wright.
- PHYSIOLOGY.—G. A. Buckmaster, J. Sydney Edkins, J. B. Leathes, A. Rendle Short.

Examiners under the Conjoint Examining Board.

Examiners in Elementary Biology.

- ELEMENTARY BIOLOGY.—G. P. Mudge, W. G. Ridewood.
- ANATOMY.—J. E. S. Fraser, A. M. Paterson, A. Thomson.
- PHYSIOLOGY.—C. M. H. Howell, H. E. Roaf, G. A. Buckmaster (subs.).
- MIDWIFERY.—H. R. Andrews, J. S. Fairbairn, C. H. Roberts, G. D. Robinson.
- PUBLIC HEALTH.—Part I: J. W. H. Eyre. Part II: Sir Shirley Murphy.
- TROPICAL MEDICINE.—J. W. H. Eyre, C. W. Daniels.

Candidates for Election on the Council.

A meeting of the Fellows will be held at the College on Thursday, July 6th, for the election of four Fellows in the vacancies occasioned by the retirement in rotation of Sir Alfred Pearce Gould, Mr. W. F. Haslam, and Sir William Arbuthnot Lane, and by the death of Mr. Stanley Boyd.

Candidates.

Of the three retiring candidates—Sir A. Pearce Gould, Sir Arbuthnot Lane, and Mr. Haslam of Birmingham—the third alone seeks re-election. Six Fellows not already on the Council are candidates—namely, Mr. T. H. Openshaw, C.M.G., a Member in 1882, a Fellow December, 1886 (London Hospital); Mr. Raymond Johnson, Member 1885, Fellow December, 1888 (University College Hospital); Mr. John Murray, Member 1887, Fellow December, 1890 (Middlesex Hospital); Mr. Vincent Warren Low, Member 1891, Fellow December, 1893 (St. Mary's Hospital); Mr. Herbert Pendlebury, Member 1896, Fellow December, 1897 (St. George's Hospital); and Mr. Francis J. Steward, Member 1895, Fellow 1898 (Guy's Hospital). Thus seven Fellows will contest the four vacancies left by the three retiring members and by the death of Mr. Stanley Boyd.

Medical News.

THE Queen has become patroness of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses. The society has been in existence for twenty years, and since the outbreak of war its members have done much work among the wounded.

AT a special meeting of the Section of Surgery of the Royal Society of Medicine to be held on July 12th at 5 p.m., Dr. Fred. H. Albee of New York will give a cinematograph demonstration on bone surgery, including bone grafts for Pott's disease, inlay grafts for fracture of long bones, and peg grafts for fracture of the neck of the femur.

MR. J. Y. W. MACALISTER, Secretary of the Royal Society of Medicine, desires to replace in the library of the Society the copy of Henry Lawrence's *Treatise on Hernia*, 1807, which has been destroyed by mice. He has tried the booksellers in vain, and would be grateful to any one who would put him in the way of finding a sound copy.

AT the annual general meeting in London of the Coroners' Society of England and Wales, Mr. F. N. Molesworth, solicitor, H.M. Coroner for the Rochdale Division of Manchester, was unanimously elected President for the ensuing year, vice Dr. F. J. Waldo, J.P., H.M. Coroner for the City of London and Ancient Borough and Vill of Southwark. Owing to the war, the usual banquet was not held, but the members of council were entertained at lunch by the outgoing president (Dr. Waldo).