

was expressed in the phrase, "With all thy getting get understanding" in the Book of Wisdom, and had been embodied by a poet laureate in the words "Knowledge comes, but wisdom lingers." Some of them would at once have to take their places in armed camps; others would have to do the work of men called to those camps, but individually they could best serve their country and the great cause for which the world was suffering and fighting by cultivating personal efficiency. Opportunity came to the man who used well the material about his hands. The mind of men and women were turning anxiously to the contemplation of after-war conditions, but though prevision was given to few it would be safe to prophesy that human nature would not be radically altered. It could hardly be hoped that the false prophet, the facile-tongued charlatan not unknown even in medicine, the narrow specialist, and the faddist who never learnt that truth was a bigger thing than the gnat which filled his eye, could be got rid of. Still some pre-war points of view would be got rid of, and others established. There would be regroupings and rearrangements, a new earnestness, less selfishness, and a widened sense of service for the commonwealth.

Later in the day a commemoration service was held in St. Giles's Cathedral, when the Rev. Dr. Galloway, Principal of St. Mary's College, St. Andrews, preached.

The following are the successful candidates:

M.D.—F. O. Clarke, W. J. Crow, F. B. Dreyer, *P. W. Maclagan, J. G. O. Moses.

M.B., B.S.—G. G. Allan, †J. G. Allan, L. G. Allan, R. Andrew, †J. S. Bow, Sarah Boyd, W. W. Brown, W. D. Brunton, J. C. Burns, W. E. Canekaratne, Ba Than Chain, Fakir Chand, Datta Pares Chandra, T. S. Duncan, H. B. Dykes, P. B. Eaton, W. Everett, N. P. R. Galloway, Aja Singh Garewal, J. B. Kirk, J. L. Lamont, D. M'Eachran, Annie M. Mackay, W. D. Mackinnon, D. W. M'Lean, †R. Mailer, A. R. Matheson, R. A. Nathaniel, J. MacR. S. Nichol, R. D. Osler, †A. van der Poel, F. W. Poole, C. B. B. Reid, H. B. Renton, S. S. Rosebery, A. O. Ross, J. H. M. Sandison, J. Schneider, J. M. L. H. Smellie, G. L. M. Smith, J. O. P. Smith, Janet Smith, J. H. R. Smith, S. L. Smith, A. Strachan, Ying Kwan To, J. M. Tyrrell, L. Walker, W. A. Weatherhead, J. D. White, †J. Wolfson, A. T. Woodward.

* Awarded gold medal for thesis.

† Passed with first class honours.

‡ Passed with second class honours.

The following scholarships and prizes have been awarded: Ettles Scholarship, Beany Prize in Anatomy and Surgery, and the James Scott Scholarship in Midwifery: R. Mailer. Moutat Scholarship in the Practice of Physic: L. G. Allan. Conan Doyle Prize: J. E. Hurworth. Scottish Association for Medical Education of Women Prize and the Dorothy Gilfillan Memorial Prize: Susan A. Robertson. Cunningham Memorial Medal and Prize in Anatomy: A. J. C. Hamilton. Whiteside Bruce Bursary: W. M. Robb.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.

At a quarterly council meeting on July 12th Sir George Makins, K.C.M.G., C.B., Surgeon-General (temporary) A.M.S., was elected President in succession to Sir W. Watson Chyney, who had held that office since 1914. Mr. Charters J. Symonds and Mr. William F. Haslam were elected Vice-Presidents.

The President was elected a member of the Committee of Reference under the Military Service Acts.

CONJOINT BOARD IN SCOTLAND.

THE following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

FINAL EXAMINATION.—J. F. Campbell, J. H. Brown, F. M. H. Sanderson, W. U. D. Longford, H. E. C. Collins, D. McG. Stewart, Mung Sun Low, A. G. Bee, F. Jones, Eliza J. Stewart, D. C. McNair, C. J. Middleton. (*Medicine*): Indranarayan Borrah, G. P. de Silva, C. R. C. Moon. (*Surgery*): I. Davies. (*Midwifery*): B. M. Lyman, G. P. de Silva. (*Medical Jurisprudence*): I. Davies, J. D. Begley, J. A. A. Duncan, A. H. B. Hudson, A. S. Hughes, Rebecca Goodman, Hassan Amin Madwar, Q. Stewart, C. C. Magee.

CONJOINT BOARD IN IRELAND.

THE following candidates have been approved at the examinations indicated:

FINAL EXAMINATION.—H. G. P. Armitage, J. J. Campbell, T. Curran, J. B. Dwyer, P. J. Flood, H. W. Hackett, J. Harvey, J. Hegarty, J. E. Lucas, T. J. Lynch, E. McCarthy, T. P. MacDonnell, F. J. Power, J. F. Seale, D. J. Steele, R. T. Stoney.

THE London County Council is establishing a school treatment centre at Balliol House, Whitechapel, for the treatment of 1,540 dental cases and 660 minor ailment cases a year, and a dental and minor ailments centre in Bethnal Green.

THE *New York Medical Journal* states that a recent investigation made by the United States Public Health Service in connexion with studies of school children in rural districts showed that 49.3 per cent. of the children examined had defective teeth, 21.1 per cent. had two or more teeth missing, and only 16.9 had had dental treatment. Over 14 per cent. never used a toothbrush, 58.2 per cent. used one occasionally, and only 27.4 per cent. did so daily.

Obituary.

MAJOR WILLIAM GUTHRIE PORTER, R.F.A.(TER.),
D.S.O., B.Sc., CH.B., F.R.C.S.(ED.),
EDINBURGH.

On June 8th, while going forward to find a suitable position for the battery he commanded, Major Porter was shot by a German sniper.

Porter was well known as a rising specialist. In 1912 he produced an excellent textbook on *Diseases of the Throat, Nose, and Ear*, written with a view to meeting the requirements of the general practitioner. In the same year he and Dr. Logan Turner brought out their joint work on the *Skiagraphy of the Accessory Nasal Sinuses*. In addition, Porter contributed the article on "General therapeutics of diseases of the ear" to Allbutt and Rolleston's *System of Medicine*, and papers on the "Treatment of laryngeal tumours," "Resection of the nasal septum," "On a fold sometimes found in front of the posterior nasal opening," and "Nystagmus of the right vocal cord and soft palate in a case of cerebral disease." At the time of his death he was surgeon to the Eye, Ear, and Throat Infirmary (Edinburgh) and to the Ear and Throat Department of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, and aurist to the Edinburgh Royal Institution for Education of the Deaf and Dumb.

He was a man of unusual ability, a hard worker, a brilliant operator, and a conscientious observer, so that had he lived a few years longer there can be little doubt that he would have been among the foremost oto-laryngologists of the country.

In early manhood he was a well-known football player, but of late years such holidays as he allowed himself were spent in camp with Territorial artillery, of which he was an enthusiastic officer. When war broke out Porter gave up his medical work and became permanently a combatant. The writer had heard from friends who returned from France on leave how absolutely fearless he was, and letters received after his death from both officers and men testify to his great courage, while the latter also bear witness to his kindness of heart and consideration for others. All these things those of us who were privileged to enjoy his friendship knew—and more. We knew, for instance, his lovable nature, his high code of honour, his unselfishness, and his modesty, for while extremely self-reliant, he never seemed conscious that he possessed unusual ability. That he did more than ordinarily well as an artillery officer is shown by the fact that during the war he rose to the rank of major, was mentioned in dispatches, and received the D.S.O. When Porter died there passed away a distinguished specialist who was at the same time not only a gallant but also a distinguished soldier.

DR. JAMES USHER HUXLEY died at Oxford on his 83rd birthday on June 24th. After serving an apprenticeship under Dr. Bell of Rochester he entered King's College, where he had a distinguished career. He took the diplomas of M.R.C.S. and L.S.A. in 1860, and graduated M.D. Lond. in 1864. He served on the staff of the Exeter Hospital for seven years and then removed to Torquay, where he practised for forty years. He retired from practice on reaching the age of 75. He was a collector of china and works of art. In 1882 he married the eldest daughter of Sir Benjamin Collins Brodie, who, together with five daughters, survive him.

DR. THOMAS SHELDON died at his residence in Powis Square, W., on June 20th, in his 83rd year. He was the eldest son of William Sheldon, J.P., of Stratford-on-Avon. He studied medicine at University College Hospital and the University of Edinburgh, qualifying M.R.C.S. in 1859, and taking his M.D. degree in 1863. He was in the same year at Edinburgh as Joseph Bell and Argyll Robertson. After qualifying he served as resident physician at the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary under Dr. Warburton Begbie. For fifty-four years he practised in Kensington, where he was well known and greatly respected. He was the first medical officer to the Kensington Division of the Post Office, and held this post for thirty years. Dr. Sheldon took great interest in his duties at Justice of the Peace for the County of London. He married Elizabeth Anne,