

MUNRO, W., M.D., L.R.C.S.Ed., appointed Surgeon to the Arbroath Infirmary.
 NELSON, J., M.D.Q.U.I., L.R.C.S.I., appointed Attending Surgeon to the Belfast Royal Hospital.
 POWELL, Edgar E., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., appointed Assistant Resident Medical Officer to the Royal National Hospital for Consumption, Ventnor.
 ROSS, R., M.D., L.R.C.S.I., appointed Attending Physician to the Belfast Royal Hospital.
 RUSSELL, J., M.D., C.M.Aber., appointed Medical Attendant to the Arbroath Infirmary.
 SMITH, J. Turville, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., appointed Senior Resident Surgeon to the Warrington Infirmary and Dispensary, *vice* C. E. Richmond, F.R.C.S., resigned.
 SUMPTER, B. G., M.D., M.R.C.S., appointed House-Surgeon to the West Norfolk and Lynn Hospital, King's Lynn.
 VALPY, C. E., B.A., M.R.C.S., appointed Senior House-Surgeon to the Cancer Hospital, Fulham.
 WILLIAMS, J. H., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., appointed Medical Officer of Health to the Llanbyther Division of the Lampeter Rural Sanitary District.

QUARANTINE.—The French *Ministre de Commerce et de l'Industrie* has decided that all vessels arriving from Sicily shall be submitted to three days' observation in the French ports, and to medical visits in the Oceanic and Channel ports. Vessels arriving from the Italian coast between Cape Santa Maria di Leuca and Naples will be submitted to one day's observation in the French Mediterranean ports, and to a medical visit in the Oceanic and Channel ports. The Hellenic Government has decreed that all vessels arriving from Sicily, or from the east and west coasts of Italy from Cotrone to Pizzo, shall be submitted to five days' quarantine.

JEWISH STUDENTS IN RUSSIAN UNIVERSITIES.—According to the *Kievlanin*, July 9th, 1887, the proportion of Jewish medical students amounts in Kharkov University to 41.5 per cent.; in the Dorpat University, to 28.2; in Kiev University, to 20.20; in Warsaw University, to 19.8; in Moscow University, to 12.4; and in Kazan University, to 10.8. The Ministry of Popular Education, feeling, as ever, anxious to spread scientific knowledge amongst the population of Russia, has ordered that henceforward the proportion of Jews admitted to the Kharkov University should not exceed 5 per cent of the whole number of students. Some time previously a similar measure was applied to the St. Petersburg Military Medico-Chirurgical Academy.

DEATH FROM LEAD POISONING.—Another death from lead poisoning occurred last week, the victim being the wife of a carman, aged 30, who for the last four months had been employed at the Southgate Road Lead Mills, and of late had been in an ailing condition. A week prior to her death, not feeling well, she stayed at home, and on Sunday evening she was seized with an attack of vomiting, and shortly afterwards was found lying on the floor quite dead. Dr. T. Brown stated at the inquest that a *post-mortem* examination had shown death to have resulted from suffocation caused by an epileptic fit. A verdict to this effect was accordingly returned.

MR. EDWIN CHADWICK, C.B., as President of the Association of Public Sanitary Inspectors, has received a reply to the Jubilee address presented to the Queen by that body, which expresses Her Majesty's gratification at the results referred to as springing from the administration of the laws dealing with sanitary matters to which she has given her assent.

THE STAFF OF SHEFFIELD INFIRMARY.—It has been decided to make an increase in the staff of the Sheffield Infirmary. The surgical staff will henceforth consist of three surgeons and two assistant-surgeons, while the senior staff of physicians will be reduced from three to two, and two assistant-physicians appointed.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

The charge for inserting announcements of Births, Marriages, and Deaths is 3s. 6d. which should be forwarded in stamps with the announcement.

MARRIAGES.

LUCKMAN—MUIR.—On August 25th, at Christ Church, Timperley, by the Rev. W. Bellars, M.A., of All Hallows, London (cousin of the bride), assisted by the Rev. C. B. Gwynne, B.A., Edward Llewellyn Luckman, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Atrincham, to Fanny, third daughter of W. B. Muir, Timperley, and niece of the late Sir W. M. Muir, M.D., K.C.B., Director-General of the Army Medical Department.

MACKAY—CRAWFORD.—At Regent Street Church, Portobello, N.B., on July 30th, by the Rev. John Sellar, assisted by the Rev. David Purves, M.A., Gourcock, and the Rev. Andrew N. Sutherland, M.A., Rothesay (cousins of the bride), Ian D. Mackay, M.B., C.M., Hornby, Lancaster, to Margaret Home, second daughter of J. Knox Crawford, Solicitor Supreme Courts.

DEATH.

BORLAND.—At Waimea, Kanai, Hawaiian Islands, on July 21st, John Borland, M.B. and C.M. Glasgow, formerly of Islington, London.

OPERATION DAYS AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

MONDAY --- 10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1.30 P.M.: Guy's (Ophthalmic Department); and Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Metropolitan Free; St. Mark's; Central London Ophthalmic; Royal Orthopedic; and Hospital for Women.—2.30 P.M.: Chelsea Hospital for Women.
TUESDAY --- 9 A.M.: St. Mary's (Ophthalmic Department).—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1.30 P.M.: Guy's; St. Bartholomew's (Ophthalmic Department); St. Mary's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Westminster; St. Mark's; Central London Ophthalmic.—2.30 P.M.: West London; Cancer Hospital, Brompton.—4 P.M.: St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department).
WEDNESDAY --- 10 A.M.: National Orthopedic.—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 P.M.: Middlesex.—1.30 P.M.: St. Bartholomew's; St. Thomas's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: London; University College; Westminster; St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department); Central London Ophthalmic.—2.30 P.M.: Samaritan Free Hospital for Women and Children; St. Peter's.—3 to 4 P.M.: King's College.
THURSDAY --- 10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 P.M.: St. George's.—1.30 P.M.: St. Bartholomew's (Ophthalmic Department); Guy's (Ophthalmic Department); Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Charing Cross; London; Central London Ophthalmic; Hospital for Diseases of the Throat; Hospital for Women.—2.30 P.M.: North-west London; Chelsea Hospital for Women.
FRIDAY --- 9 A.M.: St. Mary's (Ophthalmic Department).—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1.15 P.M.: St. George's (Ophthalmic Department).—1.30 P.M.: Guy's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: King's College; St. Thomas's (Ophthalmic Department); Central London Ophthalmic; Royal South London Ophthalmic; East London Hospital for Children.—2.30 P.M.: West London.
SATURDAY --- 9 A.M.: Royal Free.—10.30 A.M.: Royal London Ophthalmic.—1 P.M.: King's College.—1.30 P.M.: St. Bartholomew's; St. Thomas's; Royal Westminster Ophthalmic.—2 P.M.: Charing Cross; London; Middlesex; Royal Free; Central London Ophthalmic.—2.30 P.M.: Cancer Hospital, Brompton.

HOURS OF ATTENDANCE AT THE LONDON HOSPITALS.

CHARING CROSS.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th., 1.30; Dental, M. W. F., 9.
 GUY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, M. Tu. F., 1.30; Eye, M. Tu. Th. F., 1.30; Ear, Tu. F., 12.30; Skin, Tu., 12.30; Dental, Tu. Th. F., 12.
 KING'S COLLEGE.—Medical, daily, 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p., M. W. F., 12.30; Eye, M. Th., 1; Ophthalmic Department, W., 1; Ear, Th., 2; Skin, Th., 2; Throat, Th., 3; Dental, Tu. F., 10.
 LONDON.—Medical, daily, exc. S., 2; Surgical, daily, 1.30 and 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 1.30; o.p. W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 9; Ear, S., 9.30; Skin, Th., 9; Dental, Tu., 9.
 MIDDLESEX.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.30; o.p. W. S., 1.30; Eye, W. S., 8.30; Ear and Throat, Tu., 9; Skin, Tu., 4; Dental, daily, 9.
 ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. Th. S., 2; o.p. W. S., 9; Eye, Tu. Th. S., 2.30; Ear, Tu. F., 2; Skin, F., 1.30; Larynx, F., 2.30; Orthopedic, M., 2.30; Dental, Tu. F., 9.
 ST. GEORGE'S.—Medical and Surgical, M. Tu. F. S., 1; Obstetric, Tu. S., 1; o.p., Th., 2; Eye, W. S., 2; Ear, Tu., 2; Skin, W., 2; Throat, Th., 2; Orthopedic, W., 2; Dental, Tu. S., 9; Th., 1.
 ST. MARY'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.45; Obstetric, Tu. F., 1.45; o.p. W. Th., 1.30; Eye, Tu. F. S., 9; Ear, M. Th., 3; Throat, Tu. F., 1.30; Skin, M. Th., 9.30; Electrician, Tu. F., 2; Dental, W. S., 9.30; Consultations, M., 2.30; Operations, Tu., 1.30; Ophthalmic Operations, F., 9.
 ST. THOMAS'S.—Medical and Surgical, daily, except Sat., 2; Obstetric, M. Th., 2; o.p. W., 1.30; Eye, M. Th., 2; o.p., daily, except Sat., 1.30; Ear, M., 12.30; Skin, W., 12.30; Throat, Tu. F., 1.30; Children, S., 12.30; Dental, Tu. F., 10.
 UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1 to 2; Obstetrics, M. Tu. Th., F., 1.30; Eye, M. Tu. Th. F., 2; Ear, S., 1.30; Skin, W., 1.45 S., 9.15; Throat, Th., 2.30; Dental, W., 10.30.
 WESTMINSTER.—Medical and Surgical, daily, 1.30; Obstetric, Tu. F. S. Eye, M. Th., 2.30; Ear, M., 9; Skin, Th., 1; Dental, W. S., 9.15.

LETTERS, NOTES, AND ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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CORRESPONDENTS who wish notice to be taken of their communications, should authenticate them with their names—of course not necessarily for publication. CORRESPONDENTS not answered are requested to look to the Notices to Correspondents of the following week.

MANUSCRIPTS FORWARDED TO THE OFFICE OF THIS JOURNAL CANNOT UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES BE RETURNED.

PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT.—We shall be much obliged to Medical Officers of Health if they will, or forwarding their Annual and other Reports, favour us with Duplicate Copies.

QUERIES.

INCOME TAX.

M.D. will be glad to know, for the purposes of income tax return, the percentage of bad debts that is usually estimated to occur in an ordinary country practitioner's practice.

PHRENOLOGY.

INQUIRER asks where he can obtain information as to the origin, history, and theory of Phrenology.

A CASE FOR DIAGNOSIS.

M.B. EDIN. writes: For some time back I have had the following case under treatment, but without any success. A. B., aged 26, came to me about two years ago, complaining of rheumatic pains in various joints, if the least exposed to cold or wet. He does not eat very well, and he is easily fatigued. His tongue is always, but especially in the morning, thick and coated, a yellow, creamy fur being on it; his mouth gets very dry, and the odour of his breath is very bad; he complains much of flatulence; he was very addicted to drink or smoking; he is losing all his teeth, and the reaction of the saliva to litmus paper is always very acid. I have tried him with nuxvomica, liq. arsen., iodide and bicarb. of potash, cold sponging in the morning, regulation of diet, carefully regulated exercise, but without advantage.

MCDADÉ'S MIXTURE.

HYDRARGYRUM writes: I have several obstinate cases of syphilis of many years' standing, and one, particularly, affecting the nervous centres. I have tried mercury and iodides, and I shall feel obliged by the opinion of those who have tried McDadé's Mixture, or any other suggestions.

COST OF SMALL HOSPITALS.

A HOSPITAL SECRETARY desires answers to the following questions:

1. What ought to be the average cost per occupied bed in a (general) hospital of twelve beds?
2. Would the average cost per occupied bed in such a hospital be greater or less than in a large hospital?
3. What books or publications can he refer to for information in reference to hospital administration?

PRISON MEDICAL SERVICE.

DR. J. JACKSON writes: About seven years ago the death was announced in the JOURNAL of the surgeon of one of our convict establishments, and in the same paper, as nearly as my memory serves me, were given a few verses of poetry written by one of the prisoners upon the death, with the editor's comments, and began somehow thus:

Gone so early! and a gloom is on every prisoner's brow,
And the darkness of this prison has a sadder darkness now.

What I desire to know is the date of the JOURNAL in which this appeared.

TREATMENT OF CHRONIC OPHTHALMIA.

A.M.S. asks for suggestions for treating a case of chronic ophthalmia of several years' standing, with frequent attacks of acute muco-purulent ophthalmia. Zinc sulph., arg. nit., and lead lotions of various strengths, with tr. opii and belladonna, have been tried, but are useless. Ophthalmia is not common in the district.

ANSWERS.

A MEMBER (Derry).—The letter is a very proper one, conveying information of public importance.

COCAINE.

S. W.—The word cocaine or cucaïne is certainly a trisyllable, thus: co-ca-in. The pronunciation coc-kaine is illiterate.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LOUVAIN.

DR. F. MIVART states, in reply to "L.'s" query, that the University of Louvain admits to examination for the degree of M.D., without requiring residence or preliminary examination in Arts, foreigners who have already a university medical degree in their own country, or who are able to satisfy the medical faculty as to the genuineness and importance of their diplomas. The examination comprises all the subjects required at Brussels, but is in writing as well as *visà voce*. The examination is a severe one, and is conducted in French, no interpreter being allowed. The candidate must also present one or two theses, which have to be publicly sustained. The fee is about £22. This examination does not give a right to practise in Belgium, to obtain which additional tests must be passed, and residence at Louvain is also necessary.

NOTES, LETTERS, ETC.

ANNUAL MEETING IN DUBLIN.

The name of Dr. A. Henderson, Glasgow, was omitted from the list of those who attended the meeting at Dublin.

A CORRECTION.

MR. KARL SCHALL'S address is 86, Upper Ground Street, London, and not as stated in the JOURNAL of August 26th. After the end of this month it will be 55, Wigmore Street.

A SECOND DANIEL LAMBERT.

MR. R. POLLOCK, L.K.Q.C.P., etc., writes: I enclose you the photograph of rather an unusual subject. A short time back, happening to be at Dover, and hearing of the original, I paid him a visit. I found Thomas Longley a most respectable publican, who very willingly gave me every information as to his state of health, etc. I told him I should send his photograph to the JOURNAL, and he seemed very willing that I should do so—in fact, proud.

He tells me that his father and mother were not of an unusual size, and that as a baby he was not considered large, but that he has become so encumbered of late years that he has not been able to get about; and that now, although he is only 40 years of age, he has reached as many stone in weight. His height is 6 ft. 3 in. His feet trouble him so much that he cannot go out conveniently, and, as he told me in his plaintive voice, he cannot drive out, as he fears to break the carriage springs. He is very temperate, both in eating and drinking, and has never suffered from any ill-health of a serious nature.

WHO KILLED LORD DONERAILE?

DR. WILLIAM DONOVAN writes: Permit me to ask the above question. Was the fox-bite the cause? If so, well and good. Was the inoculation of rabid matter the cause of the rabies? How many hundreds of people are bitten every year who do not go mad. Can we say without doubt whether any one of Pasteur's cases would have had hydrophobia, had they not been poisoned with matter containing the active cause of hydrophobia?

COMMUNICATIONS, LETTERS, etc., have been received from:

Professor Victor Horsley, London; Mr. W. Lyon, Fencelouses; Dr. Styrax, Shrewsbury; Mr. T. J. Verrall, Brighton; Dr. Smith, Cheltenham; Mr. A. J. Stuart, Strathdon; Mr. J. Molony, Tulla, Co. Clare; The Director-General of the Medical Department of the Navy, London; Messrs. E. Rogers and Co., Bristol; Mr. C. Arblaster, Winsford; Dr. J. Williams, Sheffield; Mr. A. K. Morgan, Bournemouth; Mr. P. R. Jamison, Broughshane; Dr. F. Warner, London; Dr. Boyd, Dublin; Mr. T. C. Murphy, London; Mr. W. H. Beverley, Scarborough; Mr. Shirley Murphy, London; Mr. Edwin Morton, Newark; Mr. J. Girling, York; Mr. J. Hassall, Northwich; Mr. D. Hadden, Wexford; Dr. E. J. Edwards, London; Mr. G. Stoker, London; Mr. H. C. Woodrow, London; S. J. Taylor, M.B., Grantham; Dr. A. T. Myers, London; Mrs. Greene, Weston-super-Mare; Mr. C. Heath, St. Andrews; Mr. W. A. McKeown, Belfast; Mr. L. Braddon, Upton-on-Severn; Mr. R. Clement Lucas, London; Mr. E. F. Willoughby, London; Mr. D. C. Muir, Curntillery, Mon; Mr. S. Scott, Bacup; Dr. C. Bell Taylor, Nottingham; Mr. R. L. Knaggs, Huddersfield; Mr. R. L. Granger, Birkenhead; Victim; Mr. Noble Smith, London; Mr. S. J. Bywater, London; Mr. W. W. Wagstaffe, Sevenoaks; Mr. J. A. Scott, Blackrock; Mr. W. F. Mylins, Bexhill-on-Sea; Dr. Louis Parkes, London; Mr. R. Schall, London; Messrs. Burroughs, Wellcome, and Co., London; Surgeon R. W. Barnes, Sandown; Mr. W. W. Cheyne, London; Mr. J. Ashe, Dundrum; Mr. H. Davis, Tuam; Mr. T. Holmes, London; Mr. T. W. Griffith, M.B., Leeds; Dr. C. E. Illingworth, Accrington; Dr. Willoughby, London; Mr. J. H. Manson, Bradford; Dr. Jackson, Birmingham; Dr. Martin, Blackburn; Mr. J. H. Williams, Southport; Mr. W. Donovan, Birmingham; Mr. J. E. Burton, Liverpool; Dr. F. P. Atkinson, Kingston-on-Thames; Messrs. P. Blakiston, Son, and Co., Philadelphia; Dr. J. S. Wilson, Kiama, N.S.W.; Mr. M. Williams, London; Mr. G. R. Nunn, London; Mr. C. G. Lee, Liverpool; Dr. A. Schetelig, Homburg; Mr. E. Kingscote, Salisbury; Dr. A. Napier, Crosshill, Glasgow; Dr. D. Campbell, Kanai, Hawaiian Islands; Mr. Hector Leak, Winsford; Dr. A. Clemow, Edinburgh; Dr. G. F. Masterman, Southport; Messrs. Street and Co., London; Mr. H. M. Dancy, Southwell; Dr. J. T. W. Silk, London; Mr. H. Hutchinson, Shrewsbury; Dr. R. J. Reilly, Boyle; Mr. A. O. Grosvenor, London; Mr. J. MacLintock, Marsden; Dr. G. P. Atkinson, Pontefract; Mr. J. F. Sutherland, Edinburgh; Mr. R. S. Jaques, Paisley; Dr. F. A. Phillip, London; Miss M. Dawson, Thurlose; Dr. Rentoul, Liverpool; Mr. R. B. Smart, Manchester; Sir Thomas Crawford, London; Mr. H. Hall, Birmingham, etc.

BOOKS, ETC., RECEIVED.

Hoblyn's Dictionary of Medical Terms and the Collateral Sciences. By the late Richard D. Hoblyn. Eleventh Edition. By J. A. P. Price, B.A., M.D. London: Whittaker and Co., and G. Bell and Sons. 1887.

The Principles of Antiseptic Methods applied to Obstetric Practice. By Dr. Paul Bar. Translated by Henry D. Fry, M.D. Philadelphia, U.S.A.: P. Blakiston and Co. 1887.

On the Animal Alkaloids, etc. By Sir William Aitken, Knt., M.D., F.R.S. London: H. K. Lewis. 1887.

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