

and dignity to uphold. As a man and a guest, you cannot do less than send for him. You might as well depreciate your host's wine, or cast a doubt on the healthiness of the locality in which he lives, as to decline to be murdered by his doctor."

I am, etc.,

R. N. DAY.

Harlow, Essex, Sept. 9, 1861.

[We have read the article referred to, and we are sure our correspondent will, on reflection, admit, that he is as unjust to the London doctors, as the *Saturday Review* is to the country doctors. We are satisfied that no London physician wrote the article, for no London physician could have possibly made so many ridiculous errors. We should much rather believe that it was written by one of our homœopathic friends. ED.]

PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT OF NOSTRUMS.

LETTER FROM W. H. RAMSDEN, L.R.C.P. Edin.

SIR,—The letter having the signature M.R.C.S., in your issue of September 7th, relating to nostrums, and the support that their proprietors receive from members of our profession, induces me to communicate a circumstance that occurred to me a short time ago.

Having occasion to visit the house of a friend and occasional patient of mine, the mother (an intelligent woman) called my attention to her youngest child, and spoke of the great difficulty that they had experienced in finding a suitable food for her infant. She said that she was then trying a new kind of food, that had been very strongly recommended by a medical man in Rochdale, called *Isle of Man or Manx Food*. Not having heard of any such food, I expressed a wish to see it. It was at once taken from the cupboard, and, very much to my astonishment, it was the notorious Griffiths Jones's "Axta Mankaz" that they had had so strongly recommended and even supplied to them by the gentleman that had been in attendance.

I need not say that I pointed out to them the character of the individual that boasted the proprietorship of this famous food; and they at once decided that they would have nothing further to do with "Axta Mankaz"; at the same time being very much surprised that any medical man would recommend that of which he must have evidently known nothing.

I am, etc.,

W. H. RAMSDEN.

Park House, Royton, Sept. 9, 1861.

USES OF OZONE. The power which ozone is known to possess of bleaching, effectually, substances with which it is brought into contact, has led to the suggestion in *Liebig's Annalen* for May, of a simple means for restoring the colour of old spotted books or prints; it is as follows: Ozonise the air in a carboy or large vessel (the mouth of which can be closed easily), by placing in it a piece of phosphorus, three inches long and half an inch thick, and pour on it as much water at about 80° F. as will half cover the phosphorus. Then close the vessel and allow it to stand in a warm place for about sixteen hours, at the end of this time the air contained in the carboy will be found highly charged with ozone. Without removing the phosphorus and water, the article to be bleached is uniformly moistened with distilled water, and after being rolled up is suspended by a platinum wire in the centre of the carboy. The time required for the bleaching depends on the nature of the substance, but is never more than three days; paper, brown with age, in two days becomes white and clean. When removed from the vessel it should be rinsed first in repeated baths of distilled water, then immersed in a very dilute solution of soda; again washed in water, and finally dried between folds of blotting paper. (*E. J. Reynolds.*)

Medical News.

APPOINTMENTS.

ANDREWS, John, Esq., elected Consulting Surgeon to the Salisbury Infirmary.  
 COUPER, John, M.D., appointed Assistant-Surgeon to the London Hospital.  
 COURTENAY, R. H., Esq., appointed Surgeon to the Baltinglass Infirmary, county Wicklow.  
 DEVEREUX, Daniel, Esq., appointed Resident Apothecary to the Middlesex Hospital, in the room of C. H. Fowler, Esq.  
 FISHER, Henry W., Esq., appointed Surgeon to the Fever Hospital, Baltinglass, county Wicklow.  
 INGRAM, C. P., M.D., appointed additional Assistant-Physician to the City of London Hospital for Diseases of the Chest.  
 \*KIRKMAN, John, M.D., appointed President of the Association of Medical Officers of Asylums and Hospitals for the Insane.  
 SMALE, G. E., Esq., appointed Surgeon in Ordinary to the Portland Town Free Dispensary.  
 TRUEMAN, Edgar B., Esq., appointed Resident Surgeon and Apothecary to the Nottingham Dispensary.  
 WALSH, Thomas W., Esq., elected Surgeon to the Worcester Infirmary, in the room of H. D. Carden, Esq.

ROYAL ARMY. The following appointments have been made:—

BAWTREE, Staff-Surgeon E. W., M.D., to be Surgeon 15th Foot, vice Evans.  
 EVANS, Surgeon U. W., M.D., 15th Foot, to be Staff-Surgeon, vice Lawson.  
 EYRE, Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals E. W., retired Madras Medical Department, to have the honorary rank of Inspector-General of Hospitals.  
 LAWSON, Staff-Surgeon-Major J. A., M.D., retiring upon half-pay, to have the honorary rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals.  
 SIMPSON, F., Esq., to be Staff-Assistant-Surgeon.

To be Honorary Physicians to Her Majesty:—

FORSYTH, J., Principal Inspector-General of Hospitals, Bengal Medical Department.  
 GOODEVE, E., M.D., Surgeon, Bengal Medical Department.  
 MACKINNON, C., M.D., Inspector-General of Hospitals, Bengal Medical Department.  
 MACPHERSON, D., M.D., Inspector-General of Hospitals, Madras Medical Department.  
 PEARSE, G., M.D., retired Principal Inspector-General of Hospitals, Madras Medical Department.  
 ROOKE, B. P., M.D., Principal Inspector-General of Hospitals, Bombay Medical Department.

To be Honorary Surgeons to Her Majesty:—

ARNOTT, F. S., M.D., C.B., Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, Bombay Medical Department.  
 BROWN, J. C., C.B., Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, Bengal Medical Department.  
 COLE, R., Principal Inspector-General of Hospitals, Madras Medical Department.  
 GRANT, A., Surgeon-Major, Bengal Medical Department.  
 GREEN, W. A., Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals, Bengal Medical Department.  
 MOREHEAD, Charles, M.D., Surgeon-Major, Bombay Medical Department.

To have the honorary rank of Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals:—

BUTTER, Superintending-Surgeon D. } Retired Bengal  
 DAVIDSON, Superintending-Surgeon A., M.D. } Med. Department  
 GREIG, Superintending-Surgeon J. }  
 MACKINNON, Superintending-Surgeon C. }  
 EVANS, Surgeon W., M.D. }  
 KELLIE, Surgeon J. } Retired Madras  
 KEVIN, Surgeon C. } Med. Department  
 MAILLARDET, Surgeon-Major J. W. }  
 SHEWAN, Surgeon A. }  
 WHITE, Surgeon T. }  
 GIBSON, Surgeon-Major A., retired Bombay Medical Department.

ROYAL NAVY. The following appointments have been made:—

JOHNSTON, Andrew C., Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Pelican*.  
 MESSER, John C., M.D., Surgeon, to the *Pelican*.  
 ROSE, F. H., Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Meander*.  
 RYAN, Edward, Esq., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Nile*.  
 TELFER, William, Esq., Surgeon, to the *Malacca*.  
 TOMS, Francis Y., Esq., Surgeon, to the *Scylla*.  
 TORRANCE, John T. B., M.D., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Malacca*.  
 WALLER, Edmund, M.D., Assistant-Surgeon, to the *Trafalgar*.

VOLUNTEER CORPS. The following appointments have been made (A.V.—Artillery Volunteers; R.V.—Rifles Volunteers):—

ADAM, A. M., M.D., to be Assistant-Surgeon 1st Lincolnshire A.V.

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