following is the form of tender which we have adopted:—

"To the Board of Guardians of the St. Columb Union:

"Gentlemen,—We, the undersigned, medical practitioners of St. Columb, tender our services (in accordance with the Act, for the purpose of extending the practice of vaccination) to attend the vaccination stations at the necessary periods; to vaccinate and certify in successful cases at 3s for each case. We beg leave also to suggest, that in case our tender be accepted, a division of this neighbourhood be made into at least four districts.

(Signed) "G. JEWEL,
"W. MOORMAN, jun.,
"T. D. MARTYN,
"J. H. NANKIVELL."

The following letter was then addressed to each of the other surgeons residing in different parts of the union:—

"St. Columb, Sept., 1840.

"Dear Sir,—As chairman at a meeting of medical practitioners held here this day, I beg to apprise you that we have come to a resolution to tender our services, in accordance with the Act for the extension of vaccination, at 3s for each successful case; and to say, that we feel confident that our medical neighbours will concur in our notions as to the amount of payment deserved by a liberal profession.

"Should this arrangement meet your views, you will oblige me by an early answer. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
"G. JEWEL."

When this business is brought to a termination, I shall take the liberty of informing you of the event. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

J. H. NANKIVELL.

St. Columb, Cornwall,
Sept. 11, 1840.

THE VACCINATION ACT IN CORNWALL.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR:—The different Boards of Guardians are now actively bestirring themselves, to carry into effect the new duties imposed on them, by that clause in the "Vaccination-Extension Bill" by which they are constituted, in addition to their other duties, into Boards of Health.

I have seen several of their advertisements, intimating that the Boards of Guardians will be ready on certain days to contract with medical gentlemen for vaccination; but the following one having particularly struck me, I beg to send you a transcript of it:—

(From the "*West Briton and Cornwall Advertiser*," of Sept. 11, 1840.)

"REDRUTH UNION.

"TO MEDICAL OFFICERS.—The Board of Guardians of this Union are desirous of receiving sealed tenders for the vaccination of *all children*, who are not *pauper children*, in the several parishes below named. The tender must state the price per head, pursuant to the Act 3 and 4 Victoria, cap. 29, entitled, &c.

"By order of the Board,

"WILLIAM DAVEY, Clerk.

"Of all children who are not *pauper children*."

Was this exclusion of all *pauper children* from the benefits of the Act ever contemplated by the noble lord who introduced the measure; or by those honourable and noble gentlemen who supported it? God forbid! But does such a provision for exclusion exist in the Act itself? So far as I can understand the Bill, this exclusion does not exist, the word *poor*, or *pauper*, no where occurring in the Act.

As we have been treated by the gentlemen at Somerset House, and by their representatives throughout the country, in all their dealings with us, more as a body of commercial speculators, who are eager to catch at anything in the shape of money, than as gentlemen, members of an enlightened and honourable profession, I presume to offer to notice this Redruth advertisement, that your readers and myself may have the valuable advice which you can give us on the subject. There may be in England, in principle, many Redruths, and we must support one another, and the poor at the same time. I have the honour to be, Sir, your very humble servant,

A SURGEON.

Cornwall, Sept. 13, 1840.

* * This communication has been authenticated.

VARIETIES IN THE FORM AND POSITION OF THE LIVER.

Varieties in form occasionally occur, but they are more rare in the liver than in almost any other organ of the body. I have seen the left lobe so small, as to appear but a mere appendage to the right, being connected to it only by a thin and narrow isthmus. Cruveilhier records an instance in which the left lobe was attached to the right merely by a vascular pedicle about half an inch in length; the extremity of the lobe being adherent to the upper part of the spleen. Deep and narrow grooves are occasionally seen upon the convex surface of the right lobe running in an antero-posterior direction; they correspond with projecting fasciculi of the diaphragm, and occur generally in