The history of the case is briefly this. A young woman, aged twenty-seven, in the humbler ranks of life, while dancing at a domestic festivity, accidentally received a kick from her partner on the left ankle. From this time she began to experience pain, which gradually extended up the leg, and increased in intensity; and when I saw her, about a month afterwards, the leg was swollen and discoloured, the skin having a tawny eczematous appearance. Pain and tenderness were well marked, especially the former.

After some useless temporising with anodynes, blisters, &c., in order to dispense with the knife, if possible, I made an incision about two inches long on the inner surface of the tibia at its lowest third, rasping the point of the knife against the bone as well as I could. The pain was immediately subdued, and continued to diminish steadily, until in process of time the wound closed, when gradually the pain returned. It was now evident that a discharging wound was the one thing essential to success. A seton steeped in carbolic oil was therefore introduced, and left for several weeks, until every trace of pain had vanished. After this the patient made a very slow but perfect recovery, a period of seven months having intervened from the date of her first coming to me and that of her complete restoration to health.

Truly yours,

Tongue.

J. A. AUSTIN, M.B.

DEATH FROM CHLOROFORM.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—I have to record the death from chloroform of one of the out-patients of the Peterborough Infirmary and Dispensary. The patient was suffering from a strangulated inguinal hernia, and after the taxis, unaided, had failed, chloroform was given before again attempting reduction. The patient was brought fairly under the influence of chloroform, and as, during the manipulation of the hernia, he showed signs of returning consciousness, I administered a little more, whilst the surgeon who was assisting me, and who previously had taken charge of the anæsthetic, tried to return the bowel. Shortly afterwards his breathing suddenly became shallow and irregular, and his radial pulse could not be felt. Although the usual means of resuscitation were promptly resorted to, the patient never rallied. The man was fifty-two years of age, and had a history of rheumatic gout, but unfortunately no post-mortem was allowed. The whole quantity of chloroform used was two drachms, and it was administered on a thin handkerchief held lightly over the face.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

JOS. HARRY WILSON, M.R.C.S.

Peterborough, Jan. 24th, 1877.

ART IN HOSPITALS.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—A misapprehension has arisen as to the *bona fides* of my offer of a hundred guineas towards a fund for introducing art into hospitals, because of the condition that one thousand subscribers should also each contribute a similar sum. I withdraw such condition. I will gladly give one hundred guineas to a responsible Committee, as soon as one is formed, to promote the Art Fund of the Hospitals of London.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

Gloucester-terrace, Hyde-park.

J. LAWRENCE-HAMILTON.

THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, PENDLEBURY.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—My attention has been called to a letter from Dr. Rayne in last Saturday's LANCET, in which he mentions me as his authority for saying that a specific charge was brought against him by Dr. Borchardt at the meeting of the Board of Governors of the General Hospital for Sick Children at Pendlebury.

The chairman has already informed you that no such charge was made by Dr. Borchardt, and as I at once minutely my conversation with Dr. Rayne, and communicated those minutes the following day to a sub-committee of the Board of Governors, I do not rely upon my memory

alone when I state that Dr. Rayne must be labouring under a misconception.

I remain, Sir, yours faithfully,

H. M. STEINTHAL,

Vice-Chairman of the Board of Governors of the General Hospital and Dispensary for Sick Children.

Lower Mosley-street, Manchester,
February 7th, 1877.

Medical News.

BRITISH MEDICAL SERVICE.—The following is a list of gentlemen who were successful at both the London and Netley examinations, having passed through a course of instruction at the Army Medical School, Netley:—

Marks.	Marks.
Allin, W. B. ... 5360	Laffan, G. ... 3402
Ryan, M. R. ... 4896	Bourke, U. J. ... 3397
Reynolds, E. O. ... 4570	Robinson, R. ... 3146
Robbins, H. J. ... 4546	Lamprey, J. J. ... 3072
Morris, G. G. ... 4474	Allen, W. H. ... 3050
Hayes, A. C. ... 4333	Gunning, R. C. ... 3010
Williamson, J. F. ... 4270	Russell, G. M. ... 2945
Carey, J. T. ... 4236	Cotton, H. ... 2910
Rainsford, W. J. ... 4183	Hunt, J. P. ... 2893
Boulger, J. ... 4105	Peyton, J. L. ... 2882
Tuthill, P. B. ... 4015	Carleton, A. W. ... 2878
Boyd, T. ... 3930	Hughes, G. A. ... 2866
Johnston, P. H. ... 3896	Keith, A. C. ... 2861
Murchison, F. ... 3625	Brodie, J. ... 2685
Emerson, J. B. ... 3482	Eagar, F. G. L. ... 2662
Hewett, A. ... 3480	Large, B. W. ... 2478
Roche, E. A. ... 3477	

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.—The following is a list of candidates who were successful at both the London and Netley examinations, having passed through a course of instruction at the Army Medical School, Netley:—

Marks.	Marks.
* Moorhead, J. ... 5638	Eaton, G. B. ... 4525
Beatson, C. H. ... 5393	Eyre, M. S. ... 4505
Owen, C. W. ... 5060	Channer, O. H. ... 4490
Griffiths, G. S. ... 5000	Young, E. W. ... 4465
Grant, P. M. ... 4966	M'Calman, H. ... 4350
Lee, W. A. ... 4934	Ross, D. R. ... 4308

* Gained the Herbert Prize and Martin Memorial Gold Medal.

NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.—The following is a list of candidates who were successful at both the London and Netley examinations, having passed through a course of instruction at the Army Medical School, Netley:—

Marks.	Marks.
Henwood, J. D. ... 4735	Armstrong, G. W. ... 3844
Walsh, H. W. D. ... 4657	Kellett, L. H. ... 3586
M'Swiney, M. O'C. ... 4571	Dow, J. C. ... 3422
Guppy, H. B. ... 4452	Newland, C. F. ... 3325
Connell, J. J. ... 4437	Barcroft, P. J. ... 3230
Mugliston, T. C. ... 4405	Twigg, G. D. ... 3197
Williams, F. E. H. ... 4045	Fogerty, G. J. ... 2960
Williamson, F. ... 3897	Bookey, W. J. B. ... 2810
Murdoch, R. ... 3880	Browning, J. N. ... 2707
Rae, W. M. ... 3850	Corcoran, L. W. ... 2460

APOTHECARIES' HALL.—The following gentlemen passed their examination in the Science and Practice of Medicine and received certificates to practise on Feb. 1st:—

Godfrey, Charles Walter, The Hundred, Romsey.
Meek, John William, Macclesfield.
Langdon, John Winkley, Chester.

The following gentlemen also passed the Primary Professional Examination:—

F. Clarence Smith, University College; David Hepburn and C. William Sharples, Middlesex Hospital; George Eliot, Westminster Hospital; Charles Arthur Low, London Hospital; Edward Thomas Crouch and Frederick George Stewart, Guy's Hospital; Spencer Francis Beard, Sheffield Infirmary; James Deakin, Owens College, Manchester.

At the Preliminary Examination in Arts held at the Hall on Jan. 26th and 27th, 97 candidates presented themselves, of whom 37 were rejected, and the following 60 passed and received certificates of proficiency in General Education:—

FIRST CLASS (in order of merit).—1st: C. E. Paget and E. Tomlinson. 3rd: A. L. Copney, H. Greiffenhagen, and R. A. Palmer. 6th: G. N. Stephen. 7th: C. J. Colville, J. M. France, J. P. Myles, and H. L. Swinson.

SECOND CLASS (in alphabetical order).—H. L. Albert, G. T. Bates, D. M. Barry, W. C. Beatley, W. B. Benjafield, H. Blackburn, G. A. Branson, E. C. Bray, H. W. A. Burke, J. M. Carvell, H. R. Colborne, C. V. Cotterell, S. J. A. Cotterell, D. R. Davies, E. Davis, E. S. Earle, T. Edwards, A. W. Fairles, I. B. Goodridge, C. H. Greet, E. Harvey, J. P. Hayes, J. W. C. Herbert, H. Holcraft, R. L. Holland, R. Holton, G. Jones, C. H. Lamerle, H. Ley, A. Livingston, D. H. G. Maclean, E. D. Minter, J. D. Maloney, C. A. Morton, G. H. Moxon, W. A. Nutt, Y. O'Keeffe, C. Pound, L. O. L. Raymond, W. B. Skelton, D. J. Slater, W. H. Stephens, H. B. Strong, E. C. H. Van Buren, F. J. Walker, H. Webb, T. A. Wise, T. Whitaker, G. C. Wilkin, J. Woodgate.