

WESTMINSTER HOSPITAL.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—We should feel greatly obliged by your publishing the annexed resolution, passed at a general meeting of our students:—

“That gentlemen from other hospitals be earnestly requested to refrain from competing for the vacant post of house-surgeon, this appointment having always been regarded as a close one. The students consider that great injustice is being done to one of their number by its being advertised for general competition.”

We remain, dear Sir, yours faithfully,

B. KENDAY ARCHER,

T. H. MAY,

On behalf of the general body of Students.

June 14th, 1876.

Medical News.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—Professor Turner, M.B., F.R.S.E., of the University of Edinburgh, will resume his course of lectures on the Comparative Anatomy of the Placenta, on Monday next, June the 19th, at 4 o'clock P.M. These lectures will conclude the entire course for the present year.

DR. PHILIPSON, M.A., F.R.C.P., of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has been appointed Professor of Medicine in the University of Durham.

MR. JAMES FISHER, M.R.C.S., L.S.A., has been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for the borough of Dudley.

FROM a recently published correspondence which has passed between the town clerk of Gateshead and the Local Government Board, respecting the provision of a hospital in that urban sanitary district for non-pauper cases of infectious diseases, it appears that the Gateshead Town Council intends to provide a hospital for the purpose without further loss of time. It is stated that a plot of land, containing over three acres, has been purchased on very favourable terms, and that the plans of the intended buildings are in a forward state.

MEDICAL DEFENCE ASSOCIATION IN THE NORTH.—A meeting of local medical practitioners was recently held at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, when it was resolved to form a branch of the Defence Association for that town and neighbourhood, to be called the “North of England Branch.” The leading medical men in the town have joined the movement, and the following gentlemen have been elected officers of the branch, viz.—President: Dr. Dennis Embleton. Vice-Presidents: Dr. G. H. Philipson, Dr. Byrom Bramwell, Dr. G. Y. Heath, Mr. J. Russell, Dr. W. C. Arnison, and Dr. Luke Armstrong. Committee: Mr. J. Hawthorn, Mr. S. McBean, Mr. A. Maclachlan, Mr. A. Bell, Dr. G. H. Hume, Dr. F. Newcombe, Dr. B. Barkus, Mr. W. A. I'Anson, Dr. R. H. Wilson, Dr. Banning, and Dr. G. Douglas. Mr. R. Clark Newton has kindly consented to discharge the duties of honorary secretary and treasurer.

NEW INFIRMARY BUILDINGS.—The “Local Government Chronicle” states that the guardians of St. Olave's Union have erected a large block of buildings, forming part of the new infirmary, which, when completed, will provide for the reception of all the sick inmates of their present workhouses. The portion now built will accommodate 172 persons; but eventually there will be accommodation for 400. The buildings are situated at the rear of Rotherhithe Workhouse, Deptford Lower-road. Each of the large wards contains accommodation for 32 beds. They are 96 ft. long, 24 ft. wide, and 13 ft. high; thus giving 72 ft. superficial and 936 cubic feet of space to each patient. The ventilation of the wards at times when the windows cannot be opened is provided for by flues passing up the walls and carrying fresh air into boxes placed under the head of each bed. These boxes have perforated zinc fronts, through which the fresh air passes into the room. There is over each bed an upcast shaft for conveying away the fouled air from the ward.

Medical Appointments.

- ANDERSON, W., M.B., C.M.,** has been appointed a Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Parish of Whithorn, Wigtownshire.
- ASHBY, A., M.B., F.R.C.S.,** Medical Officer of Health for the Combined Urban Sanitary Districts of Grantham, Newark, Sleaford, Little Gonerly, Ruskington, and Spittlegate, and Rural Sanitary Districts of Grantham, Newark, and Sleaford, has been re-elected for three years from July 23rd.
- ATKIN, N. E., L.R.C.S.I., L.K.Q.C.P.I., and L.M.,** has been appointed Medical Officer for the Hill District, and Public Vaccinator for the Brynmawr District of the Crickhowell Union, vice Peirce, resigned.
- BAYES, F. W. H., M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L.,** has been appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Snoring District and the Workhouse of the Walsingham Union, Norfolk, vice Hudson, deceased.
- BOWES, J. L., M.R.C.S.E. & L.S.A.,** has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Northampton County Asylum.
- BRABAZON, A. E., M.D., L.R.C.S.I., L.S.A.L.,** has been appointed Medical Officer of Health for the Bath Urban Sanitary District, vice Barter, deceased.
- BROWN, J. J. G., M.B., C.M.,** has been appointed a House-Physician to the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh.
- BUTLER, E. F., L.K.Q.C.P.I., L.R.C.S.I., L.A.H.D.,** has been appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Whitworth District of the Auckland Union, vice Heffernan, resigned.
- CHAPMAN, J., L.F.P.S.G., L.M., & L.S.A.L.,** has been appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Ludham District of the Smallburgh Union, Norfolk, vice Buchan, resigned.
- COLEMAN, M. O., M.D., M.R.C.S.E.,** has been appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Surbiton District of the Kingston Union, Surrey, vice M. T. Coleman, M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L., deceased.
- COX, W. A., M.B., L.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S.E.,** has been appointed Medical Officer for the No. 5 District of the Leicester Union, vice Fullagar, deceased.
- KEITH, A. E., M.B., C.M.,** has been appointed Medical Officer of Health for the Guisbrough Rural, and the Guisbrough, Skelton, and Loftus-in-Cleveland Urban, Sanitary Districts.
- KEMPE, J. A., M.R.C.S.E., L.R.C.P.L.,** has been appointed House-Surgeon at University College Hospital, vice Jameson, whose time has expired.
- LAW, W. T., M.D., F.R.C.S.E. &c.,** has been appointed Resident Medical Officer to the Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest, Brompton, vice Rendle, resigned.
- LAWRENCE, W. S., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. & L.M.,** has been reappointed Medical Officer of Health for the Preston Rural Sanitary Authority, at a salary of £100 per annum.
- LOGIE, J. S. S., M.D., L.R.C.S.Ed.,** has been appointed Interim Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Parish of Evie, Orkney, vice Reid, whose appointment has expired.
- LOTHIAN, J. A., M.D., F.F.P.S.G., L.R.C.S.Ed.,** has been appointed a Dispensary Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, vice McEwen, appointed to the wards.
- MCILWRAITH, T., L.F.P.S.G.,** has been appointed Medical Officer for the Upper District of the Parish of Colmonell, Ayrshire.
- MALINS, E., M.D., C.M.,** has been appointed Surgeon to the Birmingham and Midland Hospital for Women, vice Bracey, resigned.
- O'MEARA, M. A., L.R.C.S.I., L.K.Q.C.P.I., and L.M.,** has been appointed Medical Attendant to the Royal Irish Constabulary, Piltown, co. Kilkenny, vice Bowers, deceased.
- PURCELL, F. A., M.D.,** has been appointed Assistant-Surgeon to the Cancer Hospital, Brompton.
- SETTLE, J., L.R.C.P.Ed., L.R.C.S.Ed.,** has been appointed Medical Officer for the Parish of Barrow-in-Furness and the new Workhouse.
- SMITH, G. J. M., M.B., C.M., M.R.C.S.E.,** has been re-appointed Demonstrator of Anatomy at the Westminster Hospital Medical School.
- SNOW, H. L., M.D., M.R.C.S.E.,** has been appointed a Surgeon to the Cancer Hospital, vice Irvine, resigned.
- WHITE, D., M.D., L.R.C.S.Ed.,** has been appointed a Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the Parish of Whithorn, Wigtownshire.
- WILLIAMS, Dr.,** has been elected Hon. Surgeon to the Liverpool North Dispensary.
- WILLIAMS, H., L.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S.E.,** has been appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the South District of the Bingham Union, vice Taylor, resigned.
- WILSON, H., L.K.Q.C.P.I. & L.M., F.R.C.S.I.,** has been appointed Oculist to the National Institution and Molyneux Asylum for the Blind of Ireland, Dublin, vice Wilde, deceased.
- WRIGHT, T. P., M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L.,** has been appointed Medical Officer and Public Vaccinator for the East District of the Bingham Union, vice Bateman, deceased.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

BIRTHS.

- ARTHUR.**—On the 11th inst., at Airdrie, the wife of Hugh Arthur, M.D., of a daughter.
- KNIGHT.**—On the 7th inst., at Rotherham, the wife of Henry John Knight, M.R.C.S.E., of a son.
- MAY.**—On the 3rd inst., at Rogerstown, co. Kilkenny, the wife of Walter May, L.K.Q.C.P.I., of a son.
- THOMAS.**—On the 11th inst., the wife of Moses Thomas, M.D., Superintendent of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

- POWER—GODWIN.**—On the 8th inst., at St. Mary's, The Boltons, S.W., by the Rev. R. H. Godwin, brother to the bride, William Henry Power, Local Government Board, Whitehall, eldest son of W. H. Power, M.D., Ladywell, Kent, to Charlotte Jane, youngest daughter of the late B. C. Godwin, formerly of Winchester.
- WHITE—MASON.**—On the 8th inst., at All Saints' Church, Kingston-on-Thames, by the Rev. Chart Mason, uncle of the bride, George Farr White, F.R.C.S., late 77th Regiment, to Alice, second daughter of Samuel Mason, Esq., J.P., of The Storks, Norbiton.