

F. O. B. WITHERS, M.R.C.S.E., Assist.-Surgeon, removed from B Battery 23rd Brigade Royal Artillery, has been appointed to do duty with the 8th Madras Native Infantry.  
 D. C. WOODSWORTH, M.R.C.S.E., Staff Surg. Army, has been appointed Surgeon to the 70th Foot, vice Meikleham, appointed to the Staff.  
 C. B. WOOD, Surgeon R.N. Jan. 14th, 1857, has been appointed to the "Orlando."  
 J. H. WOOD, M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Hon. Assist.-Surgeon to the 3rd Herefordshire Rifle Volunteer Corps, vice Lewis, resigned.  
 G. E. WRIGHT, M.D., Acting Assist.-Surg. R.N. May 20th, 1864, has been appointed to the "Black Prince."

## Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

### BIRTHS.

On the 13th of April, at Bangalore, the wife of J. A. Cox, M.D., Assist.-Surgeon 22nd Madras Native Infantry, of a daughter.  
 On the 31st of May, at Jamaica, the wife of G. E. Gains, M.R.C.S.E., Surgeon 6th Foot, of a daughter.  
 On the 3rd ult., at Ascencion, the wife of D. Finucane, M.D., Surgeon R.N., of twins (boys).  
 On the 20th ult., at Hackney-road, the wife of R. U. Wallace, M.B., of a son.  
 On the 24th ult., at Fowey, the wife of Staff-Surg. Steel, Royal Marines, prematurely, of a son.  
 On the 26th ult., at St. Heliers, Jersey, the wife of U. W. Evans, M.D., Surgeon 61st Regt., of a son.  
 On the 28th ult., at Pottergate, Lincoln, the wife of G. Mitchinson, L.K.Q.C.P. Irel., of a daughter.  
 On the 28th ult., at Nice, the wife of H. C. Gurney, M.D., of Nice, of a son.  
 On the 29th ult., at Newton-Stewart, the wife of Dr. F. McKenna, of a son.  
 On the 1st inst., at Orr-square, Paisley, the wife of J. T. Donald, L.R.C.S.Ed., of a daughter.  
 On the 1st inst., at Clifton-gardens, Maida-vale, the wife of Edmund Metcalfe, F.R.C.S.E., of a daughter.  
 On the 1st inst., at Belfast, the wife of J. M. Pirrie, M.D., of a son.  
 On the 2nd inst., at Newbury, the wife of H. Watson, M.D., of a son.  
 On the 2nd inst., at Douglas-street, Glasgow, the wife of J. M'Conville, M.D., of a son.  
 On the 3rd inst., at Commercial-road East, the wife of J. Richardson, M.R.C.S., of a son.  
 On the 4th inst., at Melbourne-street, Gateshead, the wife of Geo. Douglass, M.D., of a son.  
 On the 5th inst., at Palmfield House, Crook, the wife of Walter M'D. Kelly, M.D., of a son.  
 On the 5th inst., at Euston-road, the wife of E. T. Watkins, M.D., of a daughter.

### MARRIAGES.

On the 29th ult., at Long Stratton, Norfolk, D. W. Hughes, M.R.C.S.E., of Wymondham, to Frances Mary, daughter of T. H. Barton, Esq., of Long Stratton.  
 On the 30th ult., at Portobello, John Broster, M.D., of Marland-place, Southampton, to Janet Rhind, widow of the late Alex. Robertson, Esq., of Baggownie Lodge, Aberdeenshire.  
 On the 1st inst., at Mapledewell, H. F. Marley, M.R.C.S.E., of Padstow, to Marian, daughter of Wm. Thorp, Esq.  
 On the 2nd inst., at St. Margaret's, Westminster, Frederick Spurgin, M.R.C.S., of Sidmouth Villa, New-road, Hammersmith, to Susannah, youngest daughter of the late John Gale, Esq.

### DEATHS.

On the 26th of April, at Quebec, George Griffin, Surgeon, late 25th Foot, on half-pay.  
 On the 23rd ult., at sea, on board the Royal Mail Steam-ship "Parana," H. J. Hamblin, M.R.C.S.E., for twenty-one years Colonial Surgeon at the Falkland Islands, aged 55.  
 On the 28th ult., at Rydal, J. C. Smith, late Surgeon Bengal Army, aged 54.  
 On the 28th ult., at High-street, Taunton, R. Burridge, M.D., aged 51.

### QUARTERLY NAVAL OBITUARY.

Jas. Henderson, Deputy Inspector-General of Hospitals and Fleets July 25th, 1855, on retired list.  
 B. R. Murphy, Assistant-Surgeon July 2nd, 1855.  
 Joseph Taylor, Assistant-Surgeon June 4th, 1824, on retired list.

### BOOKS ETC. RECEIVED.

Dr. C. H. Jones on Functional Nervous Disorders.  
 Dr. Chuckerbutty's Address in Medicine.  
 Prof. Owen's Lecture before the Young Men's Christian Association.  
 Dr. Arnott's Contribution to Practical Medicine and Surgery.  
 Pereira's Selecta à Prescriptis.  
 Dr. Jago's Entoptics.  
 Dr. Fritz sur la Fièvre Typhoïde.  
 Dr. Hodge's Principles and Practice of Obstetrics. (Philadelphia.)  
 Dr. Burnstead on Venereal Disease. (Philadelphia.)  
 Dr. Peet's Principles and Practice of Medicine. (Bombay.)  
 Kurzgefasste Otiatrische Mittheilungen für Praktische Artze.  
 Dr. Bell on Diphtheria and Erysipelas.  
 Dr. J. B. Hicks on External and Internal Version.  
 Ranking and Radcliffe's Half-yearly Abstract.  
 Rev. H. Jones's Holiday Papers.  
 Mr. Babbage's Passages from the Life of a Philosopher.  
 M. de Quatrefage's Metamorphoses of Man.  
 Dr. A. Smith on Ancient Peruvian Skulls, and Yellow Fever of the Andes.  
 Art Journal.

## To Correspondents.

Mr. Robt. Bowles has sent us a lengthy communication relative to the question of the restoration of the apparently drowned. The crowded state of our columns must be our excuse for not inserting it. This is less to be regretted, however, seeing that our correspondent leaves the question where it stood before. It is admitted now on all sides that in a case of drowning there exist the presence of water in the air-tubes, &c., an absence of sufficient air, and a state which may be called syncope. All are of accord likewise as to what are the indications of treatment. The question is as to what method of procedure best fulfils these indications. Mr. Bowles is in favour of the Ready Method of Dr. Marshall Hall, chiefly on account of the rival system not being adequate to the sufficient relief of the lungs from the frothy fluid which invades them. A most interesting case, illustrating the efficiency of the Ready Method of Marshall Hall, is inserted at page 51 from Dr. Blake, of Torquay.

*Hernia* (Croydon) should specify the truss to which he alludes.

"WESTWARD HO!"

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—I am glad to find that my suggestion has, on the whole, met with such general approval, the only dissentients at present being some of the new licentiates; but as their number is not very large, any injustice which they think will be inflicted on them is to be much more than counterbalanced by the general advantages which the measure will confer, not only on numerous individuals, but also on the profession as a body, the movement being one well calculated in its results to add to the dignity and status of medical practitioners.

Your correspondents, "A. F." and Dr. Ellerton, seem to lose sight of the point that my suggestion for the granting of the *ad eundem* licentiateship of the College of Physicians only embraces those who were licentiates of the Society of Apothecaries on the 1st of July, 1864, and that it does not extend to the future. Now, as in all comprehensive changes towards improvement some compromises must of a necessity take place, I trust the present licentiates will forget their own imaginary ills, and join in and help a project which is for the general good of the profession, thus showing how unselfish they can be when a fit occasion offers.

In reply to one of your correspondents, I would advise those who are in favour of this, to my mind, worthy object, to get up memorials in their respective localities, and forward them at once to the College of Physicians. Such memorials will have influence, even if they have each but one signature.

I remain, Sir, yours, &c.,

July, 1864.

R. P. B. TAFFEE, M.S., M.B. Lond.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—The answer to the apothecaries who so much covet the licence of the Royal College of Physicians is simple. Those who desire and are worthy of the qualification will not let the present regulations prevent them from obtaining it.

First, with respect to those whose qualifications date later than Jan. 1st, 1861. All, without exception, who have obtained the L.R.C.P. Lond. have had to alter their course of study, in accordance with the regulations, as the diploma has been created since they commenced. Men who wish for a better qualification than they had calculated on being able to obtain will not object to a little extra study if they deserve it. This is all that is required, as attendance on hospital practice and lectures, of whatever date, count.

Secondly, with respect to men of older standing. These are admitted after a very modified examination. They are required to pass an examination *vidæ voce* in Medicine, Surgery, and Midwifery only. It is a very good examination, and one that all who aspire to be L.R.C.P. Lond. should be able to pass comfortably.

For the benefit of those who may be uninitiated in the mysteries of the College of Physicians, I will say that the examinations, if taken together, extend over three weeks, for those who pass in accordance with the regulations for students at the present time. The regulations are evidently much in favour of old practitioners.

What would graduates of the London University think if every M.R.C.S. were to ask for the degree of Master in Surgery on the ground that he commenced study prior to the creation of that degree? I fancy L.R.C.P. Lond. will think much the same about the present proposition. Depend upon it, it is a desire to possess what they are not willing to work for that makes these gentlemen talk as they do.

I am, Sir, your most obedient servant,

Manchester, July, 1864.

FREDK. ROYSTON FAIRBANK.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—I fully agree with the *ad eundem* principle between the Apothecaries' Hall and the College of Physicians. But why are University graduates refused the same privilege? If such a measure be adopted by the Council in Pall-mall, I hope the University graduates will not be excluded from participating therein.

July, 1864.

Yours truly,

M.D.

To the Editor of THE LANCET.

SIR,—If the appeal of the licentiates of the Apothecaries' Society be responded to by the College of Physicians, those gentlemen who hold the College of Surgeons' diploma only will not, I think, unreasonably expect the same privilege extended to them; for whereas the one body examines in medical subjects and the other in surgical, the College of Physicians' examination embraces the whole.

Much as I should like to possess the L.R.C.P. degree, I certainly cannot agree with those gentlemen who think it should be granted upon payment of a fee merely, as it will depreciate its value in the estimation of the profession for years to come, and be unjust to those who have obtained it by examination.

I would suggest that a modified examination be passed by gentlemen already qualified, as is at present done at the Hall, and that it be in those subjects principally on which the candidate's knowledge has not been put to the test.

I am, Sir, yours respectfully,

London, July, 1864.

G. E. Y.