

Victoria Hospital, a course of practical instruction in the duties they will have to perform in the Army. The course lasts four months; at the end of the session an examination is held to ascertain the progress made by the candidates, who are afterwards gazetted as assistant-surgeons, taking their seniority according to the aggregate number of marks then gained at both the Chelsea and Netley examinations. The lectures on Military Surgery include gunshot and other wounds; arrangements for the transport of wounded; duties of army surgeons in the field, during sieges, on transports, &c.; and other special subjects. Those on Military Medicine refer to the tropical and other diseases of the British possessions and colonies, and to the losses by disease in peace and war, at home and abroad. The lectures on Hygiene comprise the examination of water and air, of food, clothing, &c., of the soldier, his duties and exercise, and the circumstances affecting his health; the subjects of meteorology, statistics, and the prevention of the different diseases met with in the Army, on home or foreign service. The lectures on Pathology have reference chiefly to the scientific examination of tropical diseases, and of other complaints which the army surgeon is especially called on to investigate. The candidates also attend the wards of the hospital to study the diseases of invalids under the Professors of Medicine and Surgery, the system of recruiting, and the modes of keeping the army medical returns and records. They are also called on to make post-mortem examinations, to operate on the dead body, and pass through courses of practical instruction in the laboratory on the modes of recognising the qualities and adulterations of food, and in the microscope-room on the modes of microscopic examination of morbid tissues and of adulterations of food, &c.

INDIAN MEDICAL SERVICE.

India Office, Whitehall, S.W.

All natural-born subjects of her Majesty, between twenty-two and twenty-eight years of age at the date of examination, and of sound bodily health, may be candidates for the appointment of Assistant-surgeon in her Majesty's Indian Medical Service.

They must subscribe and send in to the Military Secretary, India Office, Westminster, proofs of their qualification similar to those required by the Army Medical Department.

Degrees, diplomas, licences, and certificate of their registration in accordance with the Medical Act of 1858, must be lodged at the India Office, for examination and registry, at least one fortnight before the candidate appears for examination. The regulations, subjects, and times for examination are the same as for the Army Medical Department. Passage allowance to India on appointment will be given, or a passage provided. When passages are provided on board the Indian troop ships, a charge for messing will be made at the rate laid down in the Royal Passage Warrant of 1865. Pay at 10s. a day will be allowed from date of passing Final Examination at the Army Medical School.

Indian allowances and time of service for pension will reckon from the date of arrival in India. The period of residence at the Army Medical School will reckon as service for the full-pay pension only.

The duties will be those hitherto performed by the medical officers of the East India Company's service, with the exception of those relating to European troops.

Surgical instruments are provided in India by the Government for the use of medical officers.

NAVAL MEDICAL SERVICE.

Admiralty Office, Somerset House.

1. A candidate for the appointment of Assistant-surgeon in the Royal Navy must make a written application to the Secretary of the Admiralty, on the receipt of which application he will be furnished with the regulations, and a printed form to be filled up.

2. As vacancies occur, the number of candidates required will be ordered to attend for competitive examination at the Admiralty Office; but it is to be observed, that no person can be admitted as an assistant-surgeon into the Royal Navy unless he can produce satisfactory evidence that his name has been placed on the Medical Register as legally qualified to practise both medicine and surgery according to the regulations established by the Medical

Act. And further, he will be required to make a declaration that he is free from any mental or bodily disease, defect, or infirmity which could interfere with the efficient discharge of his duties as a medical officer of the Navy.*

3. Each candidate will be required to produce—1. A certificate of good moral character, signed by a magistrate, a clergyman, or by a legally qualified physician or surgeon. 2. A certificate that he is not less than twenty nor more than twenty-eight years of age. 3. Certificates of attendance at lectures, &c., and proof that subsequently to the age of eighteen he has actually attended a recognised hospital for eighteen months, in which the average number of patients is not less than one hundred. 4. Certificates that he has been engaged in actual dissection for twelve months, and that he has performed the principal capital and minor operations on the dead body under a qualified teacher.

4. On producing the above certificates, he will be examined on the following subjects, viz.:—Anatomy; Surgery; Physiology, or Institutes of Medicine; Practice of Medicine; Chemistry; Materia Medica; Midwifery; Botany.

5. Although a competent knowledge of the above mentioned subjects is all that is absolutely required in candidates for the appointment of assistant-surgeon, a favourable consideration will be given to those who are acquainted with the collateral sciences more immediately connected with the profession, such as natural history, natural philosophy, and the use of the microscope in diagnosis.

6. Such candidates as shall have been found in all respects competent for the appointment of assistant-surgeon, will be forthwith nominated to one of her Majesty's ships, or to a naval hospital at home; or, should their services not be immediately required, their names will be duly registered for early appointments as vacancies may occur. But it is distinctly to be observed, that candidates admitted into the Naval Medical Service must serve in any vessel to which they may be appointed; and in the event of their being unable to do so from sea-sickness, their names cannot be continued on the Naval Medical List, nor can they, of course, be allowed half-pay.

7. After completing three years' full-pay service, assistant-surgeons will be allowed to be examined for the rank of surgeon, but no assistant-surgeon can be promoted to the rank of surgeon until he shall have served five years, two of which must have been in a ship actually employed at sea.

8. A limited number of those candidates who pass the best examination on entering the service will be promoted annually to the rank of surgeon at an earlier period than would occur under ordinary circumstances; and these promotions will be awarded as follows:—The candidate who passes the best examination of his year—after five years' service; the candidate who passes the second best examination of his year—after six years' service; the candidate who passes the third best examination of his year—after seven years' service; provided, however, that their second examinations are passed in an equally creditable manner, and that their conduct during the whole time they have been in the service has in all respects been satisfactory.

A TABULAR VIEW OF THE DAYS AND HOURS OF THE INTRODUCTORY LECTURES

To be delivered at the different Medical Schools.

	Lecturers.	Days and Hours.
Charing-cross Hospital...	Prof. Hancock...	Oct. 3rd, 8
St. George's Hospital ...	Mr. B. E. Brodhurst	„ 3rd, 2
Guy's Hospital ...	Mr. Charles Bader	„ 1st
King's College ...	Mr. J. Wood	„ 3rd
London Hospital ...	Dr. H. G. Satton	„ 3rd, 4
St. Mary's Hospital ...	Mr. G. G. Gascoyen	„ 1st
Middlesex Hospital ...	Dr. Coyley...	„ 3rd
St. Thomas's Hospital ...	Dr. Gervis	„ 1st, 2
University College ...	Mr. Berkeley Hall	„ 3rd
Westminster Hospital ...	Dr. Sturges	„ 3rd
Newcastle-on-Tyne Coll. of Medicine	Dr. T. C. Nesham	„ 3rd, 2
Queen's College, Birmingham	Prof. Berry	„ 4th, 3
Queen's Hospital, Birmingham	Dr. Fleming	„ 3rd, 3
Leeds Royal School of Medicine	Mr. E. Atkinson	„ 3rd, 12
Liverpool Royal Inf. and Sch. of Med.	Dr. J. C. Brown	„ 3rd, 13
Manchester Royal School of Medicine	Mr. Leo H. Grindon	„ 3rd, 12
Sheffield School of Medicine	Rev. Lettis Short	„ 1st, 4
Royal Coll. Phys. & Surg., Edinburgh	...	Nov. 1st
Anderson University, Glasgow	...	Oct. 25th

* His physical fitness will be determined by a board of medical officers, who will be required to certify that his vision is sufficiently good to enable him to perform any surgical operation without the aid of glasses, and that he is free from organic disease, constitutional weakness, or other disability likely to unfit him for the naval service in any climate.