

Newington, Wandsworth, and Woolwich; and the highest death-rates in Finsbury, Shoreditch, Bethnal Green, Poplar, and Greenwich. The 264 deaths from measles agreed with the corrected average number in the corresponding period of the five preceding years, and included 57 in Poplar, 33 in Stepney, 31 in Bethnal Green, 19 in Islington, 16 in Southwark, and 15 in Greenwich. The 6 fatal cases of scarlet fever showed a decline of 11 from the corrected average number; 2 belonged to St. Pancras. The 59 deaths from diphtheria were 11 more than the average; the greatest proportional mortality from this disease occurred in Paddington, Stoke Newington, Finsbury, Bethnal Green, Lewisham, and Woolwich. Whooping-cough again showed, as in the three preceding months, a very marked excess over the average, the deaths from this disease numbering 304, against a corrected average of 107; this disease was proportionally most fatal in Paddington, Finsbury, Shoreditch, Bethnal Green, Poplar, and Bermondsey. The 8 deaths from enteric fever were 2 above the corrected average; 4 belonged to Hackney and 2 to Islington. The 45 fatal cases of diarrhoea and enteritis among children under 2 years of age showed a decline of 30 from the average; 3 deaths belonged to Camberwell, 4 to Islington, 4 to Stepney, and 3 each to Hammersmith, St. Marylebone, and Shoreditch. In conclusion, it may be stated that the aggregate mortality in London in March from these principal infectious diseases was 32 per cent. above the average.

## ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS OF LONDON.

### *Meeting of Comitia.*

An ordinary Comitia of the Royal College of Physicians was held on April 25th, Dr. NORMAN MOORE, the President, being in the chair.

The following candidates having passed the required examinations and been approved by the Censors' Board, were admitted as Members of the College:—

Mr. W. J. Hart, Dr. Helen Ingleby, Dr. G. C. Low, Dr. A. L. Punch, Dr. W. R. Reynell, Dr. G. Riddoch, Dr. A. N. Robertson, Dr. D. R. C. Shepherd, and Dr. Eric Wortley.

On the recommendation of the Censors' Board it was resolved that Mr. Alfred Banks's licence to practise be restored to him.

Licences to practise physic were granted to 101 candidates who had conformed to the bye-laws and regulations and passed the required examinations.

The following gentlemen were elected to the Fellowship of the College on the nomination of the Council:—

Dr. Walter Broadbent, Dr. H. J. M. Playfair, Dr. S. W. Curl, Dr. F. L. Golla, Dr. A. M. H. Gray, Dr. H. B. Day, Dr. A. E. Stansfeld, Dr. W. W. C. Topley, Dr. C. H. Bond, and Fleet Surgeon P. W. Bassett-Smith, C.B., R.N.

Nominated by the Council under Bye-law LXXI. Regulation 3, and propose to the College for election to the Fellowship: Sir Walter M. Fletcher, F.R.S., and Sir George Newman, K.C.B.

The President resigned the office of member of the Committee of Management, and appointed Dr. W. Hale White to succeed him. Dr. Norman Moore having been a member of the committee since its origin a vote of thanks was accorded to him for his long and valuable services.

The PRESIDENT informed the College of the names of the Fellows nominated to serve on the committee to consider the proposed Ministry of Health.

On the motion of Dr. H. RUSSELL ANDREWS it was resolved that a committee be appointed to consider questions arising out of the "twilight sleep" method.

On the report of the Committee of Management it was resolved—

1. That the Technical Institute, Newport, which is already recognised for instruction in chemistry and physics, be recognised also for instruction in biology.

2. That Brighton College be added to the list of schools recognised in chemistry and physics.

3. That the following universities be added to the list of universities whose graduates in medicine are admissible to the Final Examination of the Examining Board in England, under the conditions of Paragraph IV., Section III., of the Regulations, viz.:—(a) Creighton University, Omaha; (b) Georgetown University, Washington; (c) the University of Maryland and College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore.

After some formal business the PRESIDENT dissolved the Comitia.

**A STATE MEDICAL SERVICE.**—A meeting of the Brighton Division of the British Medical Association was held on April 25th to consider the scheme for a State Medical Service proposed by a special committee of the Division and approved at a meeting of the local medical profession held on Feb. 28th. After discussion it was resolved to commend the scheme to the Council of the British Medical Association for consideration and support. The scheme conforms in many ways to that brought forward at the Royal Society of Medicine by Major J. F. Gordon Dill, and published in substance in THE LANCET of April 20th, p. 570.

## The War.

### THE CASUALTY LIST.

The following medical officers appear among the casualties announced since our last issue:—

#### *Killed.*

Capt. B. S. Browne, M.C., R.A.M.C., qualified at Edinburgh in 1908, and shortly afterwards took up medical missionary work in China, where, at the outbreak of war, he was at the Church Missionary Society Hospital at Ningpo. The award of the M.C. was recorded in THE LANCET of Nov. 13th, 1915, p. 1112.

Surg. H. N. Dale-Richards, R.N., received his medical education at St. Mary's Hospital, London, and qualified in 1917. He held the appointment of joint lecturer in biology and senior demonstrator of physiology at the Middlesex Hospital Medical School.

#### *Died of Wounds.*

Capt. H. H. Taylor, R.A.M.C., attached Royal Welsh Fusiliers, was educated at Cambridge University and at St. Mary's Hospital, London, and qualified in 1907.

Capt. H. S. Palmer, R.A.M.C., qualified at Edinburgh in 1914, and at the time he was wounded was attached to the 2nd Home Counties Field Ambulance.

Capt. E. A. Wilson, R.A.M.C., attached Rifle Brigade, was educated at Charterhouse and Christ Church, Oxford, qualifying in 1902.

#### *Wounded.*

Major W. T. Brown, M.C., R.A.M.C.

Capt. J. Steel, R.A.M.C., attached Royal Sussex Regiment.

Capt. F. W. White, R.A.M.C., attached R.F.A.

Capt. R. H. C. Pryn, R.A.M.C.

Capt. Ian Scott, R.A.M.C., attached R.E.

Capt. J. Smith, R.A.M.C., attached R.F.A.

Capt. W. A. Troup, M.C., R.A.M.C., attached Rifle Brigade.

Major T. W. Clarke, M.C., R.A.M.C.

Capt. R. Donald, R.A.M.C., attached West Yorks Regiment.

Capt. H. G. Oliver, M.C., R.A.M.C., attached Cheshire Regt.

Capt. M. R. Graham, Canadian A.M.C.

Capt. D. L. Kennedy, Canadian A.M.C.

Lieut.-Col. A. C. Rankin, Canadian A.M.C.

Capt. G. Wilson, Canadian A.M.C.

Capt. M. Avent, R.A.M.C., attached K.R.R.C.

Capt. G. D. Latimer, R.A.M.C., attached R.F.A.

Capt. T. Bennett, R.A.M.C., attached Liverpool Regiment.

Capt. F. G. Foster, R.A.M.C., attached R.F.A.

Capt. T. McEwen, M.C., R.A.M.C.

Capt. A. R. Oram, R.A.M.C., attd. Northumberland Fusiliers.

Capt. R. I. Sullivan, M.C., R.A.M.C., attached York and

Lancs Regiment.

Major W. S. Garnett, Australian A.M.C.

Capt. C. G. Skinner, R.A.M.C., attached Dorset Regiment.

Capt. W. B. Tannahill, R.A.M.C., attached Royal Irish

Rifles.

#### *Prisoners in German Hands.*

Capt. A. G. Bissett, M.C., R.A.M.C.

Lieut. O. Le F. Milburn, R.A.M.C., attd. Royal Dub. Fus.

Capt. D. R. E. Roberts, R.A.M.C.

Capt. H. A. Sandiford, R.A.M.C., attached Lancs Fusiliers.

Capt. W. Warburton, R.A.M.C., attd. Royal Dublin Fusiliers.

Capt. H. Crassweller, R.A.M.C., attd. Royal Sussex Regt.

Capt. E. H. Griffin, D.S.O., M.C., R.A.M.C.

#### *Missing.*

Surg. W. A. McKerrow, R.N.

Capt. W. J. Isbister, M.C., R.A.M.C., attd. Border Regt.

Lieut. J. F. Hornsey, R.A.M.C., attd. Shropshire Light Infantry.

Lieut. E. S. Phillips, R.A.M.C., attd. Royal Fusiliers.

Capt. C. C. G. Gibson, R.A.M.C.

*Previously reported Missing, now reported Prisoners in German Hands.*

Capt. P. B. Corbett, R.A.M.C., attd. Northumberland Fus.

Capt. A. T. I. MacDonald, R.A.M.C.

### CASUALTIES AMONG THE SONS OF MEDICAL MEN.

The following additional casualties among the sons of medical men are reported:—

Lieut. J. B. L. Loudon, Cameronians, killed in action, elder son of Major J. L. Loudon, R.A.M.C., of Hamilton, Lanarkshire.

Flight-Lieut. G. R. J. Parkinson, R.N., killed while flying on patrol duty, only son of the late Dr. Parkinson.

Lieut. A. B. G. T. Chamberlain, R.N., killed in action, only son of Dr. E. T. Chamberlain, of Billingshurst, Sussex.