

## GENERAL NOTES

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, NOTTINGHAM, 1926.

The Ninety-fourth Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in July at Nottingham, under the presidency of Mr R. G. Hogarth, C.B.E., F.R.C.S., Senior Surgeon to the Nottingham General Hospital.

The Section of Laryngology and Otology will meet on the 21st, 22nd, and 23rd July. The following have been appointed as Office-bearers :—

*President*—A. Brown Kelly, M.D.

*Vice-Presidents*—John Francis O'Malley, F.R.C.S. ; Norman Patterson, F.R.C.S. ; H. Bell Tawse, F.R.C.S. ; Alexander Robert Tweedie, F.R.C.S.

*Hon. Secretaries*—Oswald Otto Popper, F.R.C.S. Ed., the General Hospital, Nottingham ; Fred Stoker, M.B., F.R.C.S. Ed., 8 Wimpole Street, London, W. 1.

The following Programme has been arranged :—

21st July—*Discussion*.—The Treatment of Malignant Disease of the Upper Air and Food Passages.

Openers :—

Surgical Treatment.—F. J. Steward, M.S., F.R.C.S., London.

X-ray.—Robert Knox, M.D., London.

Radium.—Sir William Milligan, M.D., Manchester.

Diathermy.—W. S. Syme, M.D., Glasgow.

22nd July—*Discussion*.—The After-Treatment and Results of the Simple and Radical Mastoid Operation.

Openers :—

G. J. Jenkins, F.R.C.S., London.

J. S. Fraser, M.B., C.M., Edinburgh.

23rd July.—To be devoted to the reading and discussion of Papers.

The following papers will be read :—

Pharyngeal and Œsophageal Pouches, by William Hill, M.D. (London).

Retropharyngeal Abscess in Children, by Dr Douglas J. Guthrie (Edinburgh).

The Sorrows of the Septum, by W. Jobson Horne, M.D.

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COMPLIMENTARY DINNER TO SIR ST CLAIR THOMSON.

In order to mark their appreciation of Sir St Clair Thomson's position as President of the Royal Society of Medicine, the members of the Section of Laryngology decided that the Annual Dinner of the Section should take the form of a Complimentary Banquet. This was held on the evening of Friday, 4th June, in the King Edward VII. Rooms at the Hotel Victoria.

The Chair was occupied by Dr W. H. Kelson, the President of the

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Section; he was supported by over 200 ladies and gentlemen, among whom were included not only many of the members of the Sections of Laryngology and Otology, but a number of Sir St Clair's old friends in the profession. Amongst the latter were Sir John Rose Bradford and Lady Bradford, Sir William and Lady Willcox, Sir James and Lady Berry, Sir Squire and Lady Sprigge, Sir Dawson Williams, Dr de Havilland Hall and Mr Walter G. Spencer. Miss Thomson occupied the croupier's chair.

The health of the guest was proposed by the Chairman in a very happy speech in which he recalled his early associations with his old friend. At its conclusion he presented Sir St Clair with a handsome loving-cup, the gift of his many friends in recognition of his position as President of the Royal Society of Medicine and of his services to Laryngology. Sir St Clair Thomson, in expressing his thanks, charmed his audience with the literary grace of his speech.

The health of the Chairman was proposed by Mr Herbert Tilley. At the conclusion of dinner, the majority of those present remained to dance.

Mr and Mrs Norman Patterson are to be congratulated upon the success of the arrangements.

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Dr Fernando Casadesós has been nominated Professor of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology in the Barcelona Faculty of Medicine.

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At the recent Graduation Ceremony in connection with the celebration of the Bi-centenary of the Medical Faculty, the University of Edinburgh conferred the Honorary Degree of LL.D. upon Dr A. Logan Turner.

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On the 19th and 20th May, Professor Rudolf Magnus of Utrecht delivered the Cameron Lectures of the University of Edinburgh. He chose "Animal Posture" as the subject of the lecture, and delighted his audience with a lucid exposition of the subject. We hope to publish an abstract of the lectures in a future number of the *Journal*.

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### THE NEW ROYAL EAR HOSPITAL.

On the 28th May the Prince of Wales visited University College Hospital for the purpose of opening the new Obstetric Hospital and the Nurses' Home. After the ceremony he proceeded to the buildings of the Royal Ear Hospital, which are in process of erection, and unveiled a memorial tablet to the memory of Mr and Mrs H. J. Duveen. This hospital, which was previously situated in Dean Street, Soho, will now form part of the group of buildings of University College. Through the generosity of Lieut.-Commander George Duveen, the hospital is now nearly completed. It will contain three wards, each with ten beds, and in addition there will be eight single-bedded rooms for paying patients. Ample out-patient accommodation has been provided and also a silence-room for the purpose of making accurate observations in testing the deaf.

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### THE LATE MR STEPHEN PAGET, M.A., F.R.C.S.

By the death of Stephen Paget on the 8th May, at the age of 70, the specialty has lost one of her senior members, and the medical profession has been deprived of the services of one who had established a reputation through his literary gifts rather than by his contributions to the science and art of surgery.

Born in 1855, the fourth son of the distinguished surgeon, Sir James Paget, Bart., Stephen Paget received his medical education at St Bartholomew's Hospital. After acting as Surgeon to the Metropolitan and West London Hospitals, he specialised in diseases of the ear and throat and, in 1897, was appointed aural surgeon to the Middlesex Hospital.

In the same year appeared the first of his contributions to biographical literature. The *Life of John Hunter* in the Master of Medicine Series was the work of his pen, and almost simultaneously he completed a volume on Ambroise Paré and his Times. In 1901, Paget edited the *Memoirs and Letters of his father*, a fascinating story of the early life and career of the great surgeon. His more recent contributions included the life of his brother, Francis Paget, Bishop of Oxford, and that of Canon Scott Holland, while in the biography of Sir Victor Horsley, Stephen Paget found a subject which appealed to him. His little volume of essays published under the title of *Confessio Medici* cannot fail to interest the reader.

No notice, however brief, of Stephen Paget's activities would be complete if it did not refer to the great part which he played in the birth and life of the Research Defence Society. As its first secretary, he was its champion and leader against the anti-vivisection movement, and in its cause he utilised to the full the power of his pen.

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### BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

*Points in the Diagnosis and Treatment of Tuberculosis and Cancer of the Larynx.* By Sir James Dundas-Grant, K.B.E., with 1 plate and 20 illustrations in the text. 22 pages. London, H. K. Lewis & Co., Ltd. 1926. Price 1s. 6d.

*Traitement des Cancers du Maxillaire inférieur. Radium-Rayons X-Chirurgie.* By Dr Raymond Bernard, Paris. Gaston Doin, Éditeur, 8 Rue de l'Odéon, Paris. 1926. 116 pages. Price 18 francs.

*Zur Tonsillenfrage: Klinische und experimentelle, hæmatologische Untersuchungen.* By Dr Viggo Schmidt, Copenhagen. 1926. Curt Kabitzsch, Leipzig. 83 pages. Price 4 marks.

*Handbuch der Neurologie des Ohres.* Professor G. Alexander, Professor O. Marburg and Dr H. Brunner. Band III., with 200 illustrations in the text. 812 pages. Urban & Schwarzenberg, Berlin and Vienna. 1926. Price 66 marks.

*Klinische Methoden der Untersuchung des Gehörorgans.* By Dr E. Schlittler, Basle, with 17 illustrations in the text and 1 coloured plate. 120 pages. Urban & Schwarzenberg, Berlin and Vienna. 1926. Price 4 marks.

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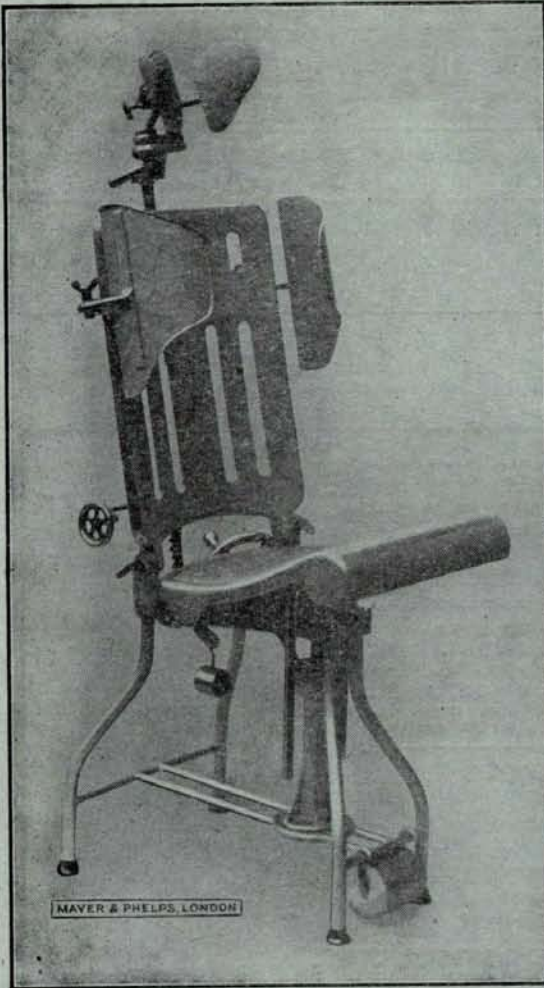
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