

GENERAL NOTES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.

1 Wimpole Street, London, W. 1.

Section of Otolology.—*President*, Mr Somerville Hastings, M.S. *Hon. Secretaries*, Mr Nicol Rankin, M.C., M.B., 56 Harley Street, London, W.1, and Dr F. C. Ormerod, M.D., 13 Welbeck Street, London, W.1.

The Opening Meeting of the Session 1928-29 will be held on Friday, 2nd November, at 10.30 A.M. Members desirous of showing patients or specimens should communicate with the Senior Hon. Secretary at least twelve days before the meetings.

Section of Laryngology.—*President*, Mr H. Bell Tawse, F.R.C.S. *Hon. Secretaries*, Mr Lionel Colledge, F.R.C.S., 2 Upper Wimpole Street, London, W.1, and Mr M. E. Vlasto, F.R.C.S., 26 Wimpole Street, London, W.1.

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During the Session 1928-29 the Sections will meet on the following dates:—On Friday 2nd November, 7th December, 1st February, 1st March, 3rd May (*Annual*) and 7th June.

The Section of Otolology will meet at 10.30 A.M. and the Section of Laryngology at 5 P.M.

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THE SEMON LECTURE, 1928.

Professor Dr Markusz Hajek, Vienna, has been invited by the Semon Lecture Board to give the Semon Lecture of the University of London. The address, entitled "Laryngology and Rhinology and General Medicine," will be delivered in the Hall of the Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, at 5 P.M. on Thursday, 1st November.

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THE SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF OTOTOLOGY AND LARYNGOLOGY.

The Scottish Society of Otolology and Laryngology will meet in the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow, on Saturday, 24th November, under the presidency of Dr Ross Souper.

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Sir St Clair Thomson, M.D., will represent the Royal Society of Medicine, London, at the Centenary Celebrations of the Faculty of Medicine, Cairo, to be held in December.

Dr Gavin Young, M.C., M.B. (Glas.), F.R.F.P. & S. (Glas.), has been appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Ear, Nose and Throat Department, The Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and Honorary Surgeon to the Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital, Glasgow.

The appointment to the Western Infirmary carries with it the Lectureship on Diseases of the Ear, Nose and Throat, University of Glasgow.

Robert Davies Owen, M.R.C.S. (Eng.), L.R.C.P. (Lond.), F.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Honorary Surgeon to the Ear, Nose and Throat Department, Royal Infirmary, Cardiff.

We regret to record the death of Dr A. Ruault, the distinguished French laryngologist; also the death of Dr Joseph Merckx of Brussels.

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THE NEW CHEVALIER JACKSON BRONCHOSCOPIC CLINIC.

This Clinic, which forms one of the Departments of the new Graduate Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, and which was opened in the spring of the year, is now in full working order and courses of instruction have been carried on in it during the summer. The Clinic, which is under the personal charge of Professor Chevalier Jackson, is the generous gift of Mr Frederick S. Bigelow, one of the members of the Hospital Board of Management.

The Clinic will be the headquarters of instruction in this branch, and regular courses for graduates will be conducted in it. The number of pupils in each course of two weeks will be limited.

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GOLDEN SQUARE THROAT, NOSE AND EAR HOSPITAL, LONDON.

This hospital has now adopted the policy of establishing a limited number of beds for paying patients unable to meet the expenses of a nursing home. For this purpose twenty beds have been provided at a moderate weekly charge; the surgeon's fee will be an additional item of expense.

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THE JUBILEE MEETING OF THE AMERICAN LARYNGOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

At the Fiftieth Annual Meeting of the American Laryngological Association held in Washington from the 1st to 3rd May, the President Dr D. Bryson Delavan, in his address, "The Birth of Laryngology," gave a short historical sketch of the life of the Association. He dwelt upon the influence which the profession in the United States had exercised on the development of Laryngology and Rhinology and the part which the Society had taken in the progress of the specialty. Founded in 1878, by Louis Elsberg, its first president, the American Laryngological Association is the oldest of the societies now engaged in this special branch of medicine. The New York Laryngological Society was founded in 1873, but after twelve years it became incorporated as a section of the New York Academy of Medicine. The roll of the Association and the lists of Presidents contain the names of men who were pioneers in the specialty, and the volumes of the Transactions of the Association contain many contributions of original work.

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At the meeting of the American Laryngological Association held in May, the de Roaldes Medal was awarded to Professor Chevalier Jackson in recognition of his valuable services to laryngology.

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THE LATE PROFESSOR HOLGER MYGIND, COPENHAGEN.

We regret to record the death of Professor Holger Mygind, which took place on the 1st October.

We are indebted to Sir St Clair Thomson for the following appreciation of this distinguished Danish otologist and laryngologist:—

"Our specialty and our native land have many friends and admirers in foreign countries; their sympathy and understanding are a pleasure

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to all of us. In Holger Mygind oto-laryngology, along with all that pertains to English literature and culture, has lost one of its most devoted adherents. He had visited many lands and cities; his familiarity with Italy and her art treasures was the result of many holidays spent in that country; he spoke Italian readily. The German language was as easy to him as that of his native land.

“But, I think, there was no foreign country which he knew or loved more than Great Britain. In discussing English writers with him, we had to walk warily so as not to let him see that his knowledge of our literature was greater than our own! He delighted to recall his visits to our shores, and only a few months ago he assured me that no distinction had pleased him more than his election as an Honorary Member of the Scottish Society of Otolaryngology, because it had been conferred upon him at a meeting of the Society on a steamer on Loch Katrine, in the land of Sir Walter Scott so familiar to him.

“Tall, robust, erect and handsome, he looked a Viking; and the memory of his speech—in at least five languages—at the farewell dinner of the recent Congress in Copenhagen, will not easily be forgotten by those who heard it. In his happy and artistic home in the Havnegade, he loved to receive his English colleagues and offer them the abundant Danish hospitality we know so well. Sincere in thought and word, he was open, frank and downright. His personality impressed itself on all who came in contact with him and compelled the affection of those to whom he was attached.”

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ERRATUM.

In the report of the Proceedings of the Scottish Society of Otolaryngology published in the previous number of the *Journal*, October 1928, pp. 736-757, the name of the President should read, Dr Ross Souper instead of Dr James Adam. The subsequent remarks ascribed in the report to Dr James Adam are, therefore, the remarks of Dr Ross Souper.

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BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

Metropolitan Asylums Board Annual Report for the Year, 1927-28.
Price 5s.

Kehlkopf und Rachen in ihren Beziehungen zu den Erkrankungen des Zentralnervensystems. By Dr Béla Freystadt, Budapest. 320 pages
Berlin: S. Karger. 1928.

Mirror-Writing. By Macdonald Critchley, M.D., M.R.C.P., Registrar, National Hospital, Queen's Square, London. Psyche Miniatures, Medical Series. London: Kegan Paul. 1928. Price 2s. 6d.

Mescal: The Divine Plant and Its Psychological Effects. By Heinrich Kluver, Ph.D., Columbia University. Psyche Miniatures, General Series. London: Kegan Paul. 1928. Price 2s. 6d.

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