

General Notes

filtrate of a culture of the causative organism after Besredka's methods. Buccelli describes four cases of otitis media with what appeared to be endocranial complications. The latter turned out to be tertiary syphilitic manifestations, and three cleared up with antisyphilitic treatment, but the fourth died and was proved on autopsy. Zanni has found spirochætes in the tympanic membrane once, and in the auditory nerve twice in fourteen syphilitic infants. Brisotti has investigated on similar lines and found spirochætes in the nasopharynx in a fair proportion of the cases, and he considers that this region acts as a focus of distribution to the neighbouring and connected organs.

Giorgio Ferreri has used a 1 per cent. solution of double tartrate of potassium and antimony which he injects intravenously in cases of atrophic rhinitis. The drug is excreted without event by the healthy kidney, but there is a distinct risk in cases of kidney disease. The writer has recently used an organic compound of antimoniate of soda with better results and less danger to the excretory apparatus.

The volume closes with a complete list of all the articles published during the year by Italian members of the specialty.

F. C. ORMEROD.

GENERAL NOTES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE,

1 Wimpole Street, London, W. 1.

Section of Laryngology.—*President*, W. H. Kelson, M.D. *Hon. Secretaries*, Philip Franklin, F.R.C.S., 27 Wimpole Street, London, W. 1, and Norman Patterson, F.R.C.S., 82 Portland Place, London, W. 1.

The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, 5th March, at 5 P.M. A Discussion introduced by Mr W. M. Mollison, F.R.C.S., will take place on "Atrophic Rhinitis."

All communications should be addressed to the *Senior Hon. Secretary*, Mr Philip Franklin.

At the Meeting of the Section on Friday, 4th June, the Annual Dinner will take the form of a Banquet in honour of Sir St Clair Thomson, M.D., for the purpose of recognising his position as President of the Royal Society of Medicine and as an appreciation of his many valuable services to Laryngology.

The arrangements connected with the Banquet will be announced in a future number of the *Journal*.

Section of Otology.—*President*, G. J. Jenkins, F.R.C.S. *Hon. Secretaries*, F. W. Watkyn-Thomas, F.R.C.S., 14 Welbeck Street, London, W. 1, and T. B. Layton, D.S.O., M.S., 10 Welbeck Street, London, W. 1.

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The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Saturday, 6th March, at 10.30 A.M. Communications regarding patients and specimens, with a short précis of notes, should be sent to the *Senior Hon. Secretary*, Mr F. W. Watkyn-Thomas, F.R.C.S., at least twelve days before the meeting.

During the Session 1925-26 the Sections will meet on the following dates:—

Section of Laryngology, on Friday, 5th March, 7th May (*Annual*), and 4th June.

Section of Otology, on Saturday, 6th March, 8th May (*Annual*), and 5th June.

On Wednesday, 3rd March, at 8.30 P.M., the Sections of Medicine, Surgery, Electro-therapeutics, and Therapeutics will discuss "The Treatment of Exophthalmic Goitre."

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"THE JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY, LIMITED."

The Fifth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at 11 Chandos Street, London, W. 1, on the afternoon of Friday, 6th March, at 6.30 o'clock. The General Report and the Balance-Sheet of the Company will be submitted to the Shareholders.

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THE ANNUAL "JOURNAL" DINNER.

The Annual Dinner will be held in the Langham Hotel, Portland Place, W. 1, on the evening of Friday, 5th March, at 7.45 for 8 o'clock. The Chair will be occupied by Mr Walter G. Howarth, F.R.C.S., one of the Directors of the Company.

The arrangements are in the hands of Mr Archer Ryland, F.R.C.S. Ed., 50 Harley Street, London, W. 1, to whom applications for seats should be addressed. Dinner tickets, 10s. 6d., are payable at the table.

Shareholders, subscribers, contributors, and their guests are cordially invited.

Dr Monod of Paris and Vichy will be present as a guest. On the 1st March Dr Monod will deliver before the Royal Society of Medicine an address entitled; "From Cagliostro to Coué; or, Imagination as a Method of Treatment."

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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.

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INTERNATIONAL CLINIC OF OTO-RHINO-LARYNGOLOGY AND FACIO-MAXILLARY SURGERY.

Acting upon the experience gained in 1925, Dr Fernand Lemaitre has decided to arrange a further course of graduate intensive study at the St Louis Hospital, Paris, during the coming summer. The period of instruction will extend from the 15th May to the 12th August, and will comprise clinical demonstrations, hospital visits, operative work, lectures, and laboratory attendance.

The staff of teachers will include men from America, the British Empire, and the Continent of Europe, all of whom have gained a recognised position in their special branches. In addition to the clinical work of the course, special attention will be paid to plastic surgery, endoscopy, and operative procedures on the cadaver.

Those desirous of joining one or more sections of the course should make application to Mdlle. Jeanne Gobereau, 120 Avenue Victor Hugo, Paris^{xvi}, who will supply detailed information as to the arrangements and fees.

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS OF THE AMERICAN SPECIAL SOCIETIES.

The Section of Laryngology and Otology of the American Medical Association will hold its Annual Meeting at Dallas, Texas, from 19th to 23rd April, under the Chairmanship of Dr Samuel Iglauer of Cincinnati.

Arrangements have been made for holding the following Meetings at Montreal, Canada, between 29th May and 5th June inclusive.

The American Bronchoscopic Society, 'on 29th May, with Dr W. B. Chamberlin of Cleveland as Chairman.

The American Laryngological, Rhinological, and Otological Society from 31st May to 2nd June, with Dr J. M. Ingersoll of Cleveland as Chairman.

The American Otological Association on 2nd and 3rd June with Dr Thomas J. Harris of New York as Chairman.

The American Laryngological Association on the 3rd, 4th, and 5th June, with Dr Greenfield Sluder of St Louis as Chairman.

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BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

Diseases of the Ear, Nose, and Throat. By Gavin Young, M.C., M.B., F.R.F.P.S. Catechism Series. Edinburgh: E. and S. Livingstone. 1926. Price 1s. 6d.

Puerperal Septicæmia: its Causation, Symptoms, Prevention, and Treatment. By George Geddes, M.D., C.M. (Aber.). Bristol: John Wright & Sons, Ltd. London: Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co., Ltd. 1926. Price 12s. 6d. net.

An Introduction to Surgery. By Rutherford Morison, M.D., F.R.C.S., Emeritus Professor of Surgery, Durham University, and Charles F. M. Saint, C.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.S., Professor of Surgery, Cape Town University. Second Edition. Bristol: John Wright & Sons, Ltd. 1925. Price 15s. net.

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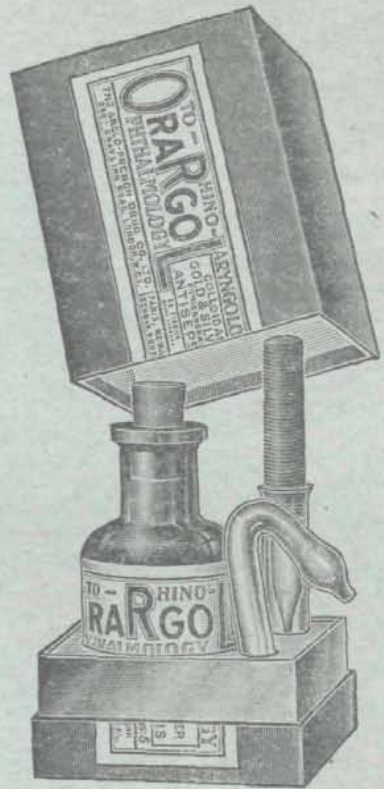
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