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the use of various *assourdisseurs* in the opposite ear. The value of the threshold of change of the Rinné in cases of otosclerosis is too great for us to confine our test to two forks.

There is a good method of tabulating the results of the tests. The paper ends with an article on the detection of malingering.

There are one or two notable omissions. In a work of 118 pages only two are spared for the discussion of radiography of the temporal bone, and there should be an account of the recent American work on the audiometer. There is a good index, and the references to current literature—with the usual exception of reference to work done in this country—are very complete. Dr Schlittler has well maintained the standard of *Abderhalden's Handbuch*. F. W. WATKYN-THOMAS.

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ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE,

1 Wimpole Street, London, W. 1.

Section of Laryngology.—*President*, Andrew Wylie, M.D.; *Hon. Secretaries*, Norman Patterson, F.R.C.S., 82 Portland Place, London, W. 1, and W. M. Mollison, Ch.M., 23 Devonshire Place, London, W. 1.

The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, 8th April, at 5 P.M. Members who are desirous of showing patients or specimens are requested to give notice to the *Senior Hon. Secretary*, along with a short précis stating the more important facts.

Section of Otology.—*President*, Dan McKenzie, M.D.; *Hon. Secretaries*, T. B. Layton, D.S.O., M.S., 10 Welbeck Street, London, W. 1, and Alexander R. Tweedie, F.R.C.S., 14 Oxford Street, Nottingham.

The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Saturday, 7th May, at 10.30 A.M. Members who are desirous of showing patients or specimens are requested to give notice to the *Senior Hon. Secretary*, along with a short précis stating the more important facts.

During the Session 1926-27 the Sections will meet on the following dates:—

Section of Laryngology, on Friday, 8th April, 6th May (*Annual Meeting*), and on Thursday and Friday, 9th and 10th June (Summer Meeting).

Section of Otology, on Saturday, 7th May (*Annual Meeting*), and on Friday and Saturday, 10th and 11th June (Summer Meeting).

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BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, EDINBURGH, 1927.

The Ninety-fifth Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in Edinburgh, from the 19th to the 23rd July, under the presidency of Sir Robert Philip, M.D., F.R.C.P.E., Professor of Tuberculosis in the University of Edinburgh.

During the meeting the Centenary of the Birth of Lord Lister will be commemorated. On the evening of Wednesday, 20th July, the Lister

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Centenary Celebration will take place in the McEwan Hall of the University of Edinburgh. The Earl of Balfour, K.G., O.M., will preside.

The Section of Laryngology and Otology will meet on the 20th and 21st July, in the Ear and Throat Department of the Royal Infirmary.

On the morning of Friday, 22nd July, the Scottish Society of Otology and Laryngology will hold its Summer Clinical Meeting. The Society cordially invites the attendance of the members of the Section of Laryngology and Otology of the British Medical Association.

The following Office-Bearers have been appointed:—*President*, A. Logan Turner, M.D., LL.D., F.R.C.S.E., Edinburgh; *Vice-Presidents*, John Smith Fraser, M.B., F.R.C.S.E., Edinburgh; W. Mayhew Mollison, C.B.E., F.R.C.S., London; Donald Rose Paterson, M.D., F.R.C.P., Cardiff; *Hon. Secretaries*, W. Tyler Gardiner, F.R.C.S.E., 18 Chester Street, Edinburgh; Allen Roy Dingley, F.R.C.S., 47 Queen Anne Street, London, W. 1.

Members of the Section desirous of reading papers are requested to send notice of the same to the local Hon. Secretary, Dr W. Tyler Gardiner.

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“THE JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY AND OTOTOLOGY, LIMITED.”

The Sixth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company was held at 11 Chandos Street, London, W. 1, on Friday, 4th March. Sir William Milligan, Chairman of Directors, presided and submitted the General Report and the Balance-Sheet of the Company. The latter again showed that the publication of the *Journal* for the year 1926 had resulted in a substantial profit. It was resolved that the balance should be placed to the credit of the *Journal* with a view to effecting improvements.

The Report was adopted, and Sir James Dundas-Grant, Mr Herbert Tilley, Mr W. G. Howarth and Mr W. M. Mollison, along with Sir William Milligan as Chairman, were re-elected Directors.

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THE ANNUAL “JOURNAL” DINNER.

The Annual *Journal* Dinner was held in the Langham Hotel, on the evening of Friday, 4th March. Dr D. R. Paterson, F.R.C.P., presided over a company numbering between thirty and forty. Sir James Berry, President of the Royal Society of Medicine, was the chief guest.

The Chairman, in proposing the health of the *Journal*, referred to some interesting phases in the history of medical journalism. Dr A. Logan Turner, in replying for the Editorial Staff, was able to point to the greater support which the *Journal* had received during the past year as seen in the increase in the number of subscribers. The toast of the Abstractors was proposed by Dr D. H. Thomson and replied to by Dr Douglas Guthrie. The health of the Chairman was given by Sir St Clair Thomson, who congratulated Dr Paterson on having been elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians, London. On the call of the Chairman, the company expressed their approval of the successful efforts of Mr Archer Ryland in connection with the arrangements for the dinner.

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Sir James Dundas-Grant, K.B.E., has been elected an Honorary Member of the Austrian Otological Society.

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On the 23rd March the University of Aberdeen conferred the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws upon Sir William Milligan.

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On the evening of Monday, 4th April, Sir St Clair Thomson will give an Address at the Royal Society of Medicine, 1 Wimpole Street, on "The Centenary of Lord Lister; personal recollections by one of his House-surgeons."

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Sir James Dundas-Grant has been re-appointed Laryngologist to the Brompton Hospital for a further period of five years.

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THE EAR, NOSE AND THROAT DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY COLLEGE HOSPITAL.

We have previously had occasion to refer in our General Notes to the generosity of Mr Geoffrey E. Duveen, who, desiring to perpetuate the name of his father, Henry J. Duveen, not only presented a large sum of money for the purchase of the site, but also provided the means for the construction and equipment of the new Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital to replace the very inadequate accommodation of the old Royal Ear Hospital in Dean Street, Soho.

Mr Geoffrey Duveen's interest in the advancement of the subject of Otology has been still further demonstrated by supplying the means of endowing a Chair of Otology in connection with the University of London.

The New Royal Ear Hospital, the Duveen Memorial Hospital, situated in Huntley Street, has now been completed and was opened on the 9th February by the Right Hon. Neville Chamberlain, Minister of Health. The new hospital is in close proximity to the main building of University College Hospital with which it is connected by a subway, and it now forms the Ear and Throat Department of University College Hospital under the care of Mr Herbert Tilley, Mr G. Seccombe Hett, Mr Richard Lake, Dr E. A. Peters, Mr H. A. Kisch and Mr J. F. O'Malley. Accommodation is provided for forty in-patients and private wards have been introduced for the treatment of patients with moderate means.

In London, the completion of this new building and the recent inauguration of the Ferens' Institute of Oto-Laryngology at the Middlesex Hospital; in Edinburgh, the enlargement of the Ear and Throat Department; in Glasgow, the new Ear and Throat Hospital opened in 1926, furnish striking evidence of the growing needs of the specialty and of the important status which it has acquired.

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BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

A Manual of the Electro-phonoid Method of Zünd-Burguet for the Treatment of Chronic Deafness. By Macleod Yearsley, F.R.C.S., with a Foreword by Adolphe Zünd-Burguet, Doc. Univ., Paris. London, William Heinemann (Medical Books), Ltd., 1927. Price 5s.

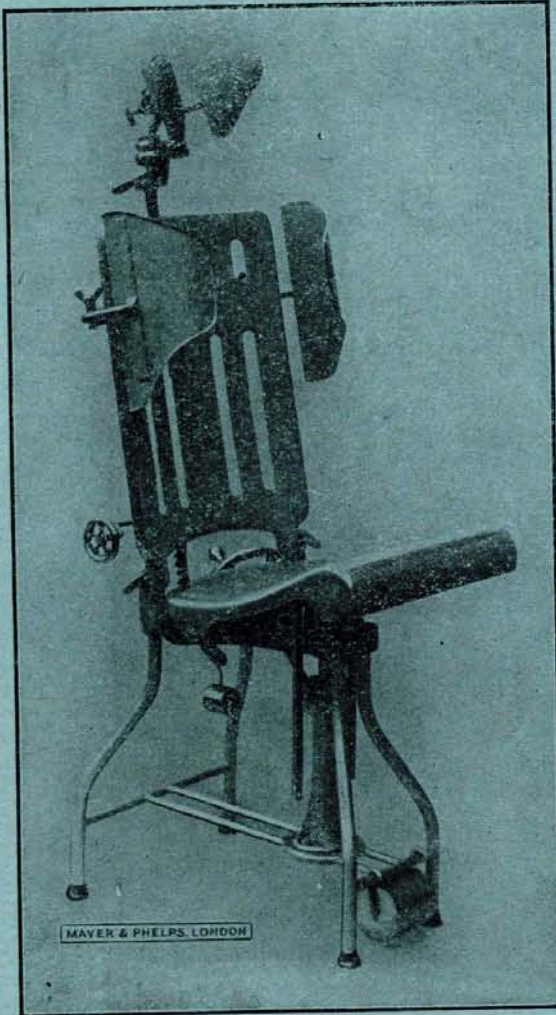
Allergy Asthma, Hay Fever, Urticaria and Allied Manifestations of Reaction. By William W. Duke, Ph.B., M.D., Kansas City, Missouri. 2nd Edition. With 75 illustrations. London. Henry Kimpton, 1927. Price 25s.

OPERATION CHAIR

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Exhibited at the meeting of the Section of Laryngology, Royal Society of Medicine, 6th November 1925.



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