

GENERAL NOTES

SUMMER MEETING OF THE SECTION OF LARYNGOLOGY, ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE, MANCHESTER, 15th and 16th June 1923.

The Annual Summer Meeting of the Section will be held at Manchester on Friday and Saturday, 15th and 16th June.

The Sessions will commence each day at 10 A.M. at the Royal Infirmary. The forenoon of Friday will be devoted to the reading and discussion of papers. At 1.15 o'clock, the local members of the Section will entertain the visitors to luncheon in the Medical Board Room of the Royal Infirmary.

The afternoon Session, commencing at 2.45 o'clock, will be held in the Out-Patients' Hall, where cases will be examined and subsequently will be discussed in the Lecture Theatre.

Tea will be served in the Medical Board Room.

The *Annual Dinner* of the Section will take place on Friday evening.

At the Saturday morning Session, further papers will be read.

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SUMMER MEETING OF THE SECTION OF OTOTOLOGY, ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE, CAMBRIDGE, 29th and 30th June 1923.

The Summer Meeting will be held at Cambridge on Friday and Saturday, 29th and 30th June. Through the courtesy of the Master of Gonville and Caius College, accommodation will be provided in the buildings of the College.

The work of the Section will be devoted mainly to the physiology of the auditory apparatus, and papers will be read upon The Functions of the Labyrinth and, if possible, practical demonstrations will be given by physiologists and otologists attending the Meeting.

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BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, PORTSMOUTH, 1923.

The Ninety-first Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held at Portsmouth from the 24th to the 27th July inclusive, and will be presided over by Mr Charles P. Childe, F.R.C.S., Senior Surgeon to the Royal Portsmouth Hospital.

The Sectional Meetings are arranged for the 25th, 26th, and 27th. The Sections of Laryngology and Otology have been combined and placed in the two-day Sections.

The following Office-Bearers have been elected:—*President*—Mr Ernest B. Waggett, D.S.O., London. *Vice-Presidents*—Mr Somerville Hastings, London; Mr A. J. M. Wright, Bristol. *Hon. Secretaries*—Mr H. Bedford Russell, 86 Harley Street, London, W.1; Mr George H. Ross, 28 Kent Road, Southsea.

The following two Discussions have been arranged: "Spasm of the Larynx," to be opened by Sir St Clair Thomson, and "The Non-Suppurative Affections of the Labyrinth," to be introduced by Mr Sydney Scott.

Original papers are invited from members of the Association.

General Notes

THE LATE CHARLES EDWARD BEAN, M.R.C.S. Eng., F.R.C.S. Ed.

The death of Mr C. E. Bean, at the age of sixty-nine, deprives the West of England of one of its leading aural surgeons and laryngologists.

Born on the 27th December 1853, he studied medicine at Guy's Hospital. Qualifying in 1883, he took, in 1892, the F.R.C.S. (Edinburgh). In 1884, he began practice at Plymouth, commencing as a general practitioner, but he soon concentrated his energies in the special branch of ear and throat work. In 1886, along with Mr George Jackson, F.R.C.S., he founded the Devon and Cornwall Ear and Throat Hospital, which became the centre of his work for many years : indeed, it was only two years ago that he gave up active work in it, and became consulting surgeon and Vice-President of the Institution.

Mr Bean was President of the Plymouth Medical Society in 1905, and in 1907, he was one of the Vice-Presidents of the Section of Laryngology and Otology, at the Exeter Meeting of the British Medical Association. He was careful at all times to keep himself abreast of medical progress, and he attended the meetings of the Section of Laryngology of the Royal Society of Medicine as regularly as his work would allow.

His interests were not by any means confined to the narrow sphere of his special work. He had very considerable knowledge of diseases of the eye, and it is possible that he would have preferred to practise that department of work, had circumstances permitted it. His knowledge of chemistry gave him the post of Public Analyst of Plymouth, which he held till within two years of his death. He was greatly interested in music, though not himself an exponent, and for many years was President of the Plymouth Musical Society.

Mr Bean had a keen and genial sense of humour ; his bluff and often pungent comments on men and things might stir up an occasional breeze, but they never caused him to lose a friend. Everyone liked him, even the medical officer of whom Mr Bean once enquired " whether it was professional incompetence or a mere desire to make himself a nuisance " that had led him to send certain cases to the hospital.

Some years before his death Mr Bean gave up his house in Plymouth, and went to live at Whitchurch on the edge of Dartmoor, whence he came in daily to his practice. It was there that he suffered from the stroke of apoplexy which cut short his busy and happy life.

He leaves a widow and a son and daughter to whom we tender our sincere sympathy. His elder son, who had entered the Army, fell in the late war with Germany.

C. R. CROWTHER.

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LARYNGOLOGY IN CHINA.

We have received the following notes from Dr W. S. Thacker-Neville, F.R.C.S.E. :—

In February 1923, the first meeting of laryngologists to be held in China took place at Shanghai. A Section of Laryngology had been formed as one of the constituent parts of the China Medical Missionary Association. The Section was presided over by Dr Thacker-Neville, who contributed a paper upon the routine work of Laryngologists in China.

General Notes

Dr Slack, Assistant Professor at The Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, and acting temporary Professor at Peking, made two contributions, one upon the Indications for Tonsillectomy, and the other upon the Relations of Accessory Sinus Disease to Retro-bulbar Neuritis. Dr Han of Shanghai discussed the advantages of Local Anæsthesia in Operations upon the Tonsil, and Dr Digby of Hong Kong, who was prevented by illness from attending the Meeting, sent a communication upon the Indications for Tonsillectomy.

A paper upon the Early Signs of Tubercular Disease, which is one of the commonest laryngeal affections in China, was read by Dr Liu of Peking, while Dr Dilley of Cheefoo contributed an article upon the Advantages of Mosher's Operation of Ethmoidectomy. As ethmoidal disease is of very frequent occurrence, the paper was much appreciated.

A census of laryngologists showed that there were thirteen in the various Missionary Hospitals. Of these, eight are Americans, three are Chinese, and two are British. A programme of Clinical Research, which will be carried out during the two years which will elapse before the next Conference, was drawn up by the members of the Section.

We desire to congratulate our confrères in China upon the success of their Meeting and upon their arrangements for promoting Clinical Research.

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We regret to have to record the death, on the 16th April, of James Coubro Potter, M.D., F.R.C.S.E. An obituary notice of the deceased will appear in the next issue of the *Journal*.

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At the invitation of the President and Members of the Section of Laryngology and Otology of the Swedish Medical Society, Sir St Clair Thomson, Dr A. Brown Kelly, Mr Arthur H. Cheatle, Dr William Hill, and Dr A. Logan Turner attended the Whitsuntide Meeting of the Section and contributed to its scientific business.

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"QUERIES AND ANSWERS."

The suggestion has been made that it might prove useful to our readers, if an opportunity was afforded them, through the pages of the *Journal*, of asking for information regarding points of doubt or difficulty, which may, from time to time, arise in connection with their work.

It is proposed, therefore, to open a correspondence column, under the above title, and to take the necessary steps to supply the information that may be desired.

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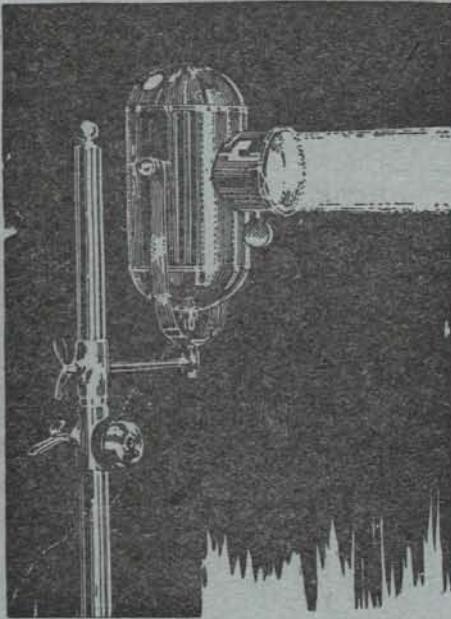
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