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British Medical Association.

CURRENT NOTES

AWN DEC MEETING, DEADNORD, 1886.

Tan ninety-second Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held during the last two weeks of July, 1924, at Bradford, under the presidency of Mr. J. Basil Hall, M.Ch.Cantab., consulting surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, Bradford. The Annual Representative Meeting Intrinstry, Brattord. The Annual Representative Meeting will begin on Friday, July 18th; the President will give his address it the Association at the adjourned Annual General Meeting, on Treaday ordaing. July 22th; the scentists Sections will meet on the three following days: and the last day of the Meeting-Saturday, July 25th—will be set part for excursions to tiplaces of interest in the unighbourhood. The Council has decided that the scentific additional meets of the Resident Annual Meeting shall and clinical work of the Bradford Annual Meeting shall be divided aways, we've Sections, of which the first five will fixed of the days such, the next four or two days such, and the fast three on one days such. We print below the names of the Sections and their Presidents, and in a future Issue will appear the fall list of officers of each Section.

Presidents of Sections.

Medicine, Professor Asthus John Hall, M.D., FR.C P. (Sheffield). London OUTBERST WALLAGE, B.C.M.G., C.B., PRCS.

Obstatrics and Gymnopology. - John Shibilds Painbaian, M.B., E.B.,C.P., F.B.C.B., -(London).

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Public Medicins and Industrial Diseases. - REBERT JONES. Gingow),

M.B.O.P. Worden, - WALTER JORSON HORSE, M.D.,

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edical sociology -- ARTHUR MARIENELL. M.B. B.B.-(Bradford). Der matelogy. Jose Martison Humbars MacLuop, M.D., F.R.C.P.

Further aunouscements will be made from time to time as the plant for the work of the 1994 mosting take definite shape. The Homorary small General Secretary is Dr. W. N. Bradford)

Kenya Medical Service

Several letters have reached the British Medical Association from individual members of the Kenys Medical Service expressing satisfaction at the terms, conditions, and prospects of that particular branch of the Ceborial Medical Service. The Kenya Branch of the Association has recently been reorganized, and we are promised shorfly the considered opinion of the Branch regarding the conditions and prospects in that part of the world. As soon as this opinion is received the matter will be discussed by the Duminions Committee and reference will be made to the subject in a future issue. We understand that the Annual Medical Report for Kenya Colony will be issued shortly and we hope to review this in the Journal at an early date after its publication. In the meantime we should like to emphasize the opinion, already expressed in this column. that any medical man thinking of applying for an appointment in the Kenys Medical Service can safely assume that ably with those in any other of the Colonial Medical

Association Handbook.

The Handbook of the British Medical Association for 1923-24 is now ready. Though primarily intended as a book of reference for honorary secretaries and other workers of the Association, the Handbook is also of interest and assistance to all members. Features of the book are a short sketch of the constitution of the Association; a brief history of the Association; decisions of its Representative Body on questions of policy; information as to the BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, the circulation of which is now ocur 29,500. Particulars are given also of the information Bureau and Intelligence Department of the Association; its Library and Leuding Library, the scholarships, grants, and prizes given by the Association; the British Medical Association Lectures; the facilities offered by the Medical Insurance Agency; the Ulster and Childe Golf Cups; and a brief section is entitled "Some Work of the Association in 1922-95." A special feature of the new edition is a comprehensive index. Copies of the Hundbook can be had by members gratis and post free on application to the Medical Secretary, 429, Strand, W.C.2. To non-members the book is on sale at 2s. 6d., post free 2s. 914.

Landing Library.

The Librarian will be glad to essist members of the isosolation in the selection of thereto be sent them by part, in the order with the tarrangements for borrowing books, that are notified each week on the last page of the

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KENT BRIDE: TURBRIDGE WELLS DIVISION.-The annual dinner of the Tunbridge Wells Division will be held at the Wellington Hotel, Funbridge Wells, on Tuesday, December 11th, at 7.30 p.m. Members are mysted to bring their wives and medical friends. Tickets, double are invited to bring their wives and medical friends. Deces, coulded and generalized as a fine present are requested to actify the Honorary Secretary, 8, Josedale findeds. Tusheringer Willia, before December 8th, accompanied by pure of tackets. The date of the dinner has been affected on uccount. of the general election on December 8th.

MSTROPOLITAR COURTES BRANCH: FUNCTION DIVISION. A meeting of the Finchley Division will be held at the Finchley Memorial Despital on Tuesday, December 4th, at 8.45 p.m., when Dr. W. W. Jameson will open a discussion on infectious disease in general

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NORTH OF ENGLAND BRANCH : BILLER DIVISION -A meeting of the Right Division win be held at the Kuight Memorial Rospital, Blyth, an Wednigstay, December 12th, at \$15 p.m., when Dr. E. Pargahar Murray (Newcastle) will give a paper on " some Practical specially requested. A cordial invitation is extended to all numbers of the Morpeth Division.

SOUTH MIDLAND BRANCE BUCKINGBLINSHIRD DIVISION The South Minard Barker. Buckingharmink Division —The following meetings have been arranged for the soumy season—December 14th At the Royal Bucks Hospital, Aylesbury Address by Is W. Gijhlart, on "Echangas." Peternay 8th, 1824; At the Royal Hucks Hospital, Aylesbury Address be W. A. K. Nebalobusco, O. B. E., D. N. O., P. R. C. S.; the subject sill be approached later. "April 11th, 1824; At the Hospital, High Myound the Computer of the Computer of the Division." In the Computer of the Division. The Computer of the Division. ("Metabora also acknowledged to bring interesting cases to these meetings.")

South-Wasters Branch -An intermediate meeting of the South-Western Branch will be held at Torquey on Tuesday, December 4th.

SURREY BRANCH: GUILDFORD DIVISION,-The general election Subgrid Heaker: Guildford Division.—The guirels election having been freed for December 6th, the meeting of the Guildford Division arranged for that date will new be held on Thursday. December 18th, at the Royal Surrey County Hoogital, Guildford, at 4.15 p.m., when Dr. Charles Bolton, C.R.E., F.R.E., with give an address on the treatment of gastric user in view of recent work.

The address will be illustrated by lantern aligner.

YORKSHIRE BRINCH: HUDDENSFILL DEVISION, Division is holding a dance on Desember 5th in the Berral Enforces Price 3 no. to 1 am. Reception 8.5 pm. For these had do not what to be 1 am. Berral Drive, commencing 9.15 pm., will be arranged 7.5 pd. och. Admission by progressions.

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read by Dr. TENTOS CLARE, charts, diagrams, and specimens of mosquitos to illustrate the results of malaria control in rural areas of Singapore.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCE: LEWISCOM DIVISION: METOFOLITAS (QUELIE BLANCE) LEWINGEN DIVISION:
A METITO Of the Lewindon Division was held on November Opat the Parish Room, N. Lewinger Berlin Room,
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Astron. Glazar gave an address on functional and organic disorders
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FIRE AUGUM meeting of the South Wales and Monmouthshire branch was held at the Gwyn Hall, Neath, on November 14th De memberd, were welcomed by the Mayor of Neath, Alderman Dr. J. M. Mosats (M.O.H.) and Dr. E. Cotter read a paper on pemphigus asonatorum, with particulars of a case which terminated fatally. A wait was paid to Neath Abbay, under the metalic of the control of the control

SUSSEX BRANCH BRIGHTON DIVISION.

SCHARE BRANCE BASIGNON DIVISION.

A CLIFICAL meeting of the Brighton Division was beld at the Royal Alexandra Hospital for Children on Ngyamber 15th, at which about thirty members and visitors were present. The meeting was one of the mosthly chical meetings which are the properties of the working the state of the various bespitals in Brighton, arranged by the sery. Chairman of the Division, and the following case were shown by members of the skind, and the following cases were shown by members of the state.

sery. Chairman of the Division, and the following cases were shown by members of the staff.

De. L. A. Pagar, in conjunction with Dr. Direkes of Cowfold, showed a case of telamu in a child aged 10 years, in which symptoms had set in seven days after the onset of a slight grase of the knee. Antitetanic serum was used at once, and the child of the knee. Dr. W. Broadskyr showed a case of diabetes in a child, treated

Dr. W. Badderff showed a case of diabetes in a child, treated with insulin, it, which improvement was very marked, and a case of cocilise disease, treated with monreatic extract. Mass Recurrent Schoolous charged two cases of spassic paraplegia, and the contract of the c

Mr. tunyrus answed a cann with a user andominal tumour, which was probably a retroportioned cyst; a child with acute pites myglitis of the tibis, treated by resection of the shaft of the bone; and a case of corvical caries in which, as a result of treatment, there was a great lessening of the paralysis present on admission to hospital admission to hospital.

A vote of thanks to the hespital staff for the exhibition of a most interesting series of cases was proposed by Dr. Whittington.

. THE GENERAL ELECTION.

MEDICAL CANDIDATES.

LIST of medical candidates at the forthcoming General Election, with an indication of the political parties with which they are associated and the constituencies in which they are offering themselves, appears in the Journal this week at page 1063.

The Medical Representation in Parliament Fund of

which the members for the time being of the Council of the British Medical Association are trustees-bas made ther protein according to the tristees—has made inabigated grants, in aid of the expenses of their cambdature, to Sir Sydney Russell-Wells, M.D., Dr. T. Watta, Dr. G. B. Hillman, and Dr. A. G. Newell. The Committee Dr. G. D. Hilliam, and Dr. A. W. Fower. In a community of the Fund has also sent a letter of good which and of thanks far past services to Dn. W. & Chappie, Dr. W. R. Silice, Dr. F. E. Fremanule, and Ru. E. Molsen; and to the Right Hon. Sir Henry Crank, K.C.R., who although not a medical man has for many years past rendered very rabusble service to the medical profession in Parliament. He Henry Craik is one of the elected honorary members of the British Medical Association. He has been re-elected unopposed for the combined Scottish Universities.

Dr. G. B. Hillman of Wakefield, who is contesting the Normanion Division of Yorkshire, is a member of the Council of the British Medical Association, of the Insurance Acts or the British medical Association, of the Insurance Acts Commisses, and of the West Riding County Council and Pattle Commission. Dr. A. G. Newell of Harringay, is a past Chairman of the North Middlesex Division of the Asso-

ciation, and a member of the Middlesex Panel Committee.
Dr. Thomas Watts, who is seeking re-election for the Withington Division, was for some years a member of the Lancashire Panel Committee, and has done good work for his profession as well ... for his constituents in the late Parliament. Bir Sydney Russell-Wells, formerly Vice-Chancellor of the University of London, has been a very active member of the Medical Committee of the House of Commons, of which he acted as secretary. Dr. Ethol Bentham, the only medical woman standing for Parliament, was for some years a member of the London Panel Committee, and has been a representative at the Panel Conference; she was a candidate at the last election. Mr. Somerville Hastings has for many years been an active member of the British Medical Association, and was Vice-President of the Section of Laryngology and Otology at the Annual Meeting last summer at Portsmouth; he also was an unsuccessful candidate at the 1922 General Election. Dr. H. . Morgan is an active member of the Greenwich and Deptford Division of the Association. Dr. R. L. Ridge has for many years been a prominent member of the North Middlesex Division of the Association and of the Middlesex Panel Committee. Dr. Alfred Salter, who seeks re-election for Bermondsey West,

Alfred Satter, who specar temperature in South London.
Dr. R. W. Simpson as a member of the Sovenstleson-Type Division of the Association, and stood for the same canstituency at the last election. Dr. G. E. Spero is a member of the Leicester and Rutland Division of the Association : he also found fought an unsuccessful contest in the last election, standing in the Liberal interest at Leicester. Lieut,-Colonel Beauchamp Williams is a retired officer of the Ludian Medical Service; he is a member of the executive of the Westminster and Holborn Division of the Association. Dr. R. Machair Wilson stood last year as a candidate at Saffron

Dr. Ethel Bentham, Mr. Somerville Hastings, Dr. Salter, and Dr. Morgan are all four prominent members of the Public Health Advisory Committee of the Labour Party. General regret will be felt in the medical profession, and especially among insurance practitioners, that Dr. Bracken-bury is not standing for Parkament in the present election.

The Universities.

The full list of nominations for Rathamentary representation of the Universities of Great Britain and Northern Treland, including pertain owner already mentioned, is as

Oxford (2), "Lord Hugh Ceell (U), "Sir Q. "Oman (C.), Professor O. Mugray (L).

Cambridge (2), "J. F. P. Rawimson, K.C. (C.), Sir O. Butler (C.), "J. B. M. Butler (Ind. L.).

Lendon. "Sir Sydney Russell-Wells (C.), Frofessor A. F. Pollard (E.), B. G. Wells (Lab.).

Durkom, Moncheter, Liverpool, "Seeds, Skeffeld, Birming-kom, and Bristol (2)." Sir M. Conway (C.), "H. A. L. Yisher (J.). Professor Findlay (L.). (L), Professor Findlay (Lab).

Walss. Professor J. Jones (L.), Major J. Edwards (Ind. L.).

G. Davies (Lair)

St. Andrews Glasgow, Aberdeen, and Edubrich (3)."Str H. Craik (C.), "Str & Berry (C.), "D. M. Cowan (L.), elected.

Bel/ast. - Professor T. Smelair (C.), elected

Sir Martin Conway was a valued member of the Medical Committee of the late House of Commons; in his election address he writes: " I am warmly on the side of the doctors in resisting the dominance of the approved societies, and in demanding the honourable freedom which is essential to the dignity of a great profession."

The following medical men who sat in the last Parliament ster not seeking re-election: Str John Collie (Partick, Glasgow), Dr. L. G. S. Molloy, D.S.O. (Blackpool), Str William Whilla (Queen's University, Belfast)

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MEDICAL EDUCATION AND REGISTRATION.

WINTER SESSION, 1993.

The one hundred and eighteenth session of the General Medical Council was opened at the offices of the Council. 44, Hallam Street, London, W., on Tuesday, November

Sir DONALD MACALISTER, K.C.B., took the chair, and delivered the following address.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Gentlemen, Although no changes have occurred in the membership of the Council since last we met, we have -ustained a heavy loss by the untimely death of our Assistant Secretary, Mr. A. J. Cockington, O.B.E. For thurty-five years he was a member of the office stuff, and none was more loval and devoted in the service of the Council His knowledge of our proceedings was encyclopaed in its range and accuracy. In my experience, and I believe in that of many other members and officers of the Council, though his knowledge was never obtruded, it was never found wanting when need arose. During the absence of Colonel King on active service, Mr. Cockington, as Deputy Registrar, carried on his shoulders the heavy administrative burden that the Council', multifarious war work entailed. He spared neither time nor labour in the effort to carry it through successfully; but I fear that his success was gained at the cost of permanent damage to has health. The honourable distinction he received for this mational service was not lightly earned. The Council state with me in mourning the event which has deprived its of an officer whose character and capacity were prived its of an officer whose character and capacity were worthe of our grateful esteem, and whose work was ever faultious and cheerfully performed.

From former members of the Council have passed away

within the last few weeks. Mr. Thomas Pridgin Teale of Leeds whose father was one of the original members appointed by the Crown in 1858, himself segred as a Crown member for twenty-four years, from 1876 to 1901. As a surgion, sanitarian, teacher, and man of science, his was a venerated name in many fields of activity. His long life, extending over ninety-two years, was a life of devotion in he profession and to the public weal.

Dr. David White Finlay, who was at one time our inspector of medical examinations, was a member of the toured from 1901, when Mr. Teale retired, until 1911. A graduate of Glasgow, he won a high reputation as a

physician, and a teacher of physicians, both in London and in Aberdeen. After retiring twelve years ago from the Regius Chair in the latter University, he returned to the Civde which he loved, and I often had thevadvantage of his savacious counsel and assistance in matters concerning medical education. Notwithstanding his advanced age, he served as commandant of one of our Red Cross hospitals in Glasgow during the war. I bave special reason to know that he fulfilled his task with

characteristic thoroughness and efficiency,

Medical Education in India. The Executive Committee, thanks to the good offices of Sir Norman Walker, had the privilege yesterday of meeting Lieutenant Colonel Needham, who has been appointed by the Indian Government and approved by the Council as the Official Inspector of the Indian Universities and Colleges of Medicine, and of discussing with him the many

on account of the distinguished postates he hade in the Intima Medical Service and of the beneather functions in the land of the beneather the beneather throughout the land of the beneather the beneather the may obtain at much information concerning the Council's methods on proceedure as he desires in Turkersmoot of his effects to co-ordinate our standards in all the essential branches of professional training for registrable qualifications with the standards hitherto current in the Indian Universities and Colleges. We in our turn will profit by learning from him what improvements in their educational arrangements have what improvements in their concessions arrangements have been already made or are desiderated by these important bodies, in order that the whole course of study and examina-tions for the degrees they desire to be registrable in this country may continue to justify our official recognition.

The reports presented to the Executive Committee, and published with the Minutes last June, show that in regard to certain essential features of their course the Universities themselves are fully aware that improvements arnecessary, even apart from the consideration of external recognition. 'I need mention, as examples, only such matters as the excessive number of students admitted to the medical colleges of certain of the universities; the limitation, to two years, of hospital study after the examination in anatomy and physiology; and the inadequate facilities for practical training in midwifery. The Council will roadily acknowledge the desire which has been manifested by the socrat Indian universities to remedy such deficiencies notwith anding difficulties due to local conditions and local arganization; but it must urge strongly the necessity of prompt and effective action on the part of these authorities, if their laudable desire is to be fulfilled within a reasonable time.

If the question were simply one of a suitable professional training for practitioners, practising in India under Indian conditions, the Indian universities, colleges, and schools. with their special knowledge of local requirements, would naturally be the best and indeed the only judges. From this point of view India is autonomous, and the Council has neither the wish nor the power to intervene. But when the Council is called on to recognize an Indian qualification for registration in this country, it is bound by Act of Parliament to inquire into the conditions under which any such qualification is grafited. It is bound to require that the qualification shall furnish a sufficient guarantee of the knowledge and skill, in medicine, in surgery, and in midwifery, requisite for efficient practice. not in India alone, but in the United Kingdom, and in other parts of the world with which this country ha-established reciprocity of practice. If it is found, and respect of any particular degree, that the guarantee is no longer sufficient, the Council would be in default of the statutory duty, and so be liable to supersession by the Privy Council, were it to continue to recognize such a degree ar registrable, and therefore valid outside of India.

It is on this ground only that the Council is by law entrusted with a specific responsibility as regards qualifications granted elsewhere than in the United Kingdom It is on this ground only that it has requested from the Indian Government the special facilities for inquiry and inspection which have been placed at its disposal, and which have been so ably and sympathetically utilized, in the best interest of Indian medicine, by Lieutenant-Colonel Noedham. We have to await his further reports reports. as we hope, of very substantial progress-before deciding, at the next session, what further steps we shall take regarding some of the qualifications granted in India,

Canada,

The Executive Committee is continuing its negotiations Colleges of Medicine, and of discussing with him the many important questions that have arisen reparted the conditions of recognitions that have arisen reparted the conditions of recognition, for the purposes of the British Register, of Indian medical degrees. The Government has placed him on special duty sing order that his many attended the meetings of the Executive Committee at this session, and discuss these questions with us (if person.

The Expective Committee is continuing its regional and important the second of the conditions on which recognition shall in future be accorded to diploma and degrees registrable in the meetings of the Executive Committee at this second discuss these questions with us (if person.

The Council will be removed and a satisfactory carried to the completed. Status of British Practitioners in Italy, Greece, and Turkey.

Communications have also been received and answered, through the Privy Council and the Foreign Office, con-cerning the status of British practitioners in Italy, Greece, and Turkey. There is reason to believe that the answers have been found useful.

Relation of Doctors to Uncertified Midwices. We have received from the Ministry of Health a copy of an important decision of the High Court on a case in which an uncertified woman was charged with a broach of the Midwives Act, 1902. It was alleged on her behalf that she had not attended women in childhirth etherwise than "under the direction of a qualified medical practitioner," and so was not guilty of infringing the Att Several practitioners testified that though they had not attended practioners continue come turning they had not accomed the women before confinement, had given no instructions to the uncertified person, and had not been present at the birth, they had attended the patients subsequently, and that thus the uncertified person had acted under their direction." The Court ruled that in such cases there must be "a real and not a mere nominal direction." This decision will strengthen the hands of the Council in dealing with cases in which practitioners are alleged to have disregarded its Warning Notices on this subject, and of having knowingly exabled uncertified women, on pretence that such women were under their direction, to attend women in childbirth, contrary to the law " Steps have been taken to make this decision known to practitioners and supervising authorities, who have made inquiries on the subject. It is probable that some amendment of the Act setting forth in precise terms that the "direction " of the practitioner must be immediate and personal, or, in the words of the judgement, "real and not nommal," will be

Inspection of Dental Examinations.

necessary to prevent the continuance of abuse

The inspection of examinations for dental qualifications which you ordered to be instituted at the last session, is in progress. Reports of two or three such examinations have been received, but it is thought advisable by the Committee in charge that the series should be more complete before the reports are formally brought before you. The Council will thereby be in a better position to form a tomparative judgement on methods and standards.

Disciplinary Cases.

In accordance with precedent, most of your time, at this ovember session, will be occupied in hearing cases of Scipline under Section 29 of the Medical Act, 1858, A number are cases of conviction by the ordinary courts; few arise from complaints of professional misconduct in contravention of one or other of your Warning Notices The Dental Board also will report to you their findingagainst certain dental practitioners, in pursuance of the Dentists Act, 1921. So far as I am able to gather, none of the disciplinary cases raise general questions of an infamiliar kind, but the special points of each will, of course, require and receive your careful consideration.

.Prospects of the Session.

My address is shorter than usual, partly because my trength has not fully returned after my recent illness, partly because fewer matters calling for comment have emerged during the recess. In view of present political distractions, you may deem my brevity excusable, if it enables you to set to work the sooner, and so enables the Council to conclude its session within the present week.

Sir Joun Moore moved a vote of thanks to the President. and referred to the new honour which had been conferred upon him in his appointment to the deputy-licutenancy of the city of Glasgow. Sir Norman Walter seconded the vote of thanks, which was accorded with acclamation.

The Council proceeded immediately to the consideration of penal cases.

DENTAL BOARD OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.

(Concluded from page 250.) At the sitting of the personal property of the chairmanship of Mr. F. B. Ackland, two further disable the chairmanship of Mr. F. B. Ackland, two further disable the chairmanship of Mr. F. B. Ackland, two further disable the cases wate dealt with the case the case of the hension as to the interpretation which the Board would to its warning notice, and as the defendant had promised to discontinue the practice complained of, further consideration was postponed until the May session. In the other case, which was one of alleged incorrect entry in the Dentists Registethe Board found, after examining several witnesses, that the

incorrectness of the entry was not proved.

Dental Dressers. The Ministry of Health had forwarded a communication to the Board with regard to the conditions governing the emptor ment, of dental diressers by the Sheffield local education application. The local authority asked that certain limitar-imposed by the Board upon the advantage of the authority should be relaxed, as their continuous, in the authority opinion, would mean a consideration of the man in the work accomplished by the different clinics. The desired that the duties of dental diressers should be extended to include scalings complex sections. simple extractions, and simple fillings under the immediate supervision of a qualified dental surgeon. The Chairman stated that he had already informed the Ministry that he had no region to suppose that the Dental Board would depart from the attitude it had previously taken up with regard to dental dressers elsewhere, and that it would still recommend that there should be no departure from the conditions of such employment laid down in the Board of Education's circular 1279. On the motion of Sir Arthur Chame, seconder by Mr. Robertshaw, the action of the chairman was approved

Mr. Gilmour drew the attention of the Board to the necessity for the education of the public as to the med for dontatreatment, and on his motion the matter was referred to a committee, consisting of Mr. Book, Mr. Delamore M. Robertshaw, Mr. Guy, and Mr. Sheridan which was reported o report at the February session.

But British Society of Dental Surgeons transmitted a reso fution expressing disapproval of the introduction of an abbre viated curriculum for the L.D.S. disploma to be offered to Dentists, 1921." As this and another resolution from the As this and another resolution from the same body with regard to the use of the letters "L D.S." same body with regard to the use of the letters "L D.S. cx persons registered on the fereign list of the Dentie's Register had been reported also to the Connectal Medical Council supported Board decided to take no action.

Retention Fee and Certificates

Communications had been received by the Board from incorporated Dental Society and other dental bodies requesting a reduction for the coming year of the annual retention for E5. The request was preferred in view of the very give forancial distress now existing in the dental profession was decided to inform those making the request that the Board was not at present on a position to consider a reduction in the annual fee, but that the matter would receive and of consideration at the May session,

consideration at the May session.

A communication was received from the National Deptal
Association urging that the present form of the annual sector
tion vertificate constituted an unfintentional attack upon the privilege of regiseration in perpetuity and requesting a different privilege of registration in perpetuity and requesting a different wording of the form, as a registered person had a senue and impositionable right to practice during his lifetime. The Board, however, say in reason to after the form of the certificate sound.

Dental Regulations Overseas.

The Board received a copy of the amending Dental Act passed in April last in Nova Bootia. It provides for the registration [4] of any person who complies with its requirements as to age; matriculation, and graduation from a recognized dental college, and who was a student of dentistry in such a college before September 1st, 1215, and (2) of any person who has practised dentistry in Nova Scotia for three years and within Canada super seminary in Nova Scotta for three years and silking Canada for a further period of nime years before Jampay 11, 1823. The new regulations for dentities in the Cape Province, which kave been framed by the Colonial Medical Colonial under the provisions of the Medical and Pharmary Act (Caper, were also received.

THE INSURANCE CAPITATION FEE.

THE COURT OF INQUIRY.

THE Ministry of Health announces that the Court of Inquiry to be appointed by the Minister of Health and the Secretary for Scotland with reference to the amount of the capitation fee to be paid as from January 1st. 1924, to practitioners serving under the National Health Insurance Scheme, will be composed as follows:

T. R. HUGHES, Esq., K.C. (Chairman of the General Council of the Bart, Chairman; with F. C. GOODENOUGH, Esq. (Chairman of Barelay's Bank), and

Sir Josiah Stamp was one of the arbitrators appointed by the Government to determine the insurance capitation fee in 1920.

Sir JOSIAH STAMP, K.B.E.

The terms of reference to the Court of Inquiry are under consideration, and will be published later.

MEDICAL REMUNERATION.

SIR W. JOYNSON-HICKS (Minister of Health) in a statement issued on November 24th to London newspapers said

"Many approved societies' representatives maintain that no greater sum than 7s. 3d, per member can be taken from the funds of societies without curtailing either the ordinary cash penefits or the additional cash benefits which are already bruents or the additional cash benents which are already provided for their members. The Government Artuary has advised that secretice, in general, can find anything up to 8s. 6d. from their funds for the next five years without endangering the continuance of existing benefits, including additional benefits already in operation."

THE MEDICAL WOMEN'S FEDERATION AND INSURANCE PRACTICE.

The Council of the Medical Women's Federation, in response to the invitation of the Council of the British Medical Association that medical organizations should support the policy of the Conference of Local Medical and Panel Committees in reference to the present capitation fee dispute, has passed the following resolution :

The Council of the Medical Women's Federation sup-The Council of the Medical vomen's rederation sup-ports the general pulsey of the Conference of Local Medical and Panel Committees and approves of the acceptance of the offer of an inquiry made by the Minister of Health. The Medical Women's Federation consider that a good service of general practitioners is essential to the health of the community. They hope, therefore, that the Committee of Inquiry now agreed upon will offer such conditions of service as will secure the co-operation of the hest medical practitioners."

LONDON INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

At the meeting of the London Insurance Committee on November 22nd, Mr. J. De la Rue was elected chairman for

The Recent Crais.—It was reported to the Committee that on October 55st resignations signed by 1,00 insurance practitioners were received by the clerk of the Committee, An analysis of the notices showed that five of the Practitioners concerned has admitted resignations from the practitioners concerned has admitted resignation from the fact for other reasons than the immediate dispute, and that nine were practitioners whose mannes were not included on the London modelest list. The subcommittee, to which it had been referred to consider the meltipole available for medical benefit should the present system comit to age usi, recommittee, the subcommittee dispute for medical benefit should the present system comit to age usi, recommittee the subcommittee of the state effective the Minister of Health should be asked to authorize the learness Committee to make arrangement in accordance with Scotley 37 of the Acc of 2013, whereinder insured persons much the secretary medical attendance and treatment upon such parts of the secretary medical attendance Committee or Sale Ministry undertaking to pay the cost of sich attendance, and treatment upon such scale as might be desermined. The spoon of the statement in the subcommittee's report, that the legalistic few was reduced to 8 dd at the beginning of 1922 afteringointness with the Minister was altered to fead "conference" insight

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LONDON PANEL COMMITTEE.

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Drs. C. L. Battason and Dr. V. S. Parraings were reappounted prefeatable of the Committee on the Same Hodical Service Subcommittee for 18234, and Dr. V. S. Parraings representative of the Local Medical Committee on the same body.

Correspondence.

Nacessive Prescribing Sin.-Having read all the replies to my letter on the above subject (Baitish Madical Journal, Supplement, October 27th). subject (Barrian Mairca, Journay, Supplement, Ostober 27th), am surprised to find that my remarks have been interpreted as a general attack upon the dispensing fees charged by pharmacists. That I had no such intention in writing is evident from the statement in my letter that "With the ordinary scale of dispensing fees I have nothing whatever to do. That is a matter for the chemists themselves, and they are quite entitled to make the best bargain possible." I found fault with only two items so far as dispensing fees are concerned-namely, the charge for ordinary tap water and the

cereed—namely, the charge for ordinary tap water and the dispensing fees charged for stock pills.

Dr. J. Bell Walker remarks that "The disallowance of the dispensing fee." That is a very poor argument against up claim that tap water should not be charged for, and completely ignores the real point at issue.

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Crossie writes: "Do not let us forget that the cost Mr. J. Cromies writes i "Do not let us forget that the cost of drugs, including dispansing charges, is what determines the amount to be pair to doctors in the Scottish areas who are compelled to clerk it of the state of the st

I quite appreciate the remerks made by Mr. J. Rutheeford Hill, and with a great part of what he says I am in entire agroupent, but, at I have already stated, I was not making an attack mon dispensing fees in general. He is correct when he provided that I am familiar with payment on a flat rate basis, but if a tract for mixing up milling length another thing from that many rate for whose piles where so dispensing is done that the same rate for mixing up milling length another thing from that many rate for whose piles where the counter in Sing stainable receptions, who will be supported to the dispensing for when pills are made up to a decore's prescription. Why should a pland patient be side to purchase pills for, way, 2d.

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non which to form a definite opinion. My tables have been criticized as unfair, but there were vern only as typical examples in the particular set of pre-riptions examined, and that they were typical and not unfair evident when the total cost of drugs and of dispersing less considered

The purpose of my letter was to show that where an honest The purpose of my letter was to show that where, an homest compt was being made to prescribe implie remedies and so up down expense, the dispensing fees came to a sum not removed from the cost of the drugs prescribed, and it sends a much better plan, therefore, in determining whether was a much better plan, therefore, in determining whether was prescribed generally consider the cost the drugs of the prescript of which he was responsible and let the charge of such as the sum of the drugs of the first the drugs of the sum of the sum of the sum of the first the sum of th this view I am glad to note that one correspondent It is a street an glad to note that one correspondent Mi G. A. Mallinson) agrees.

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This was the opinion of our Fanel Committee as well as my on, and I regret that your correspondents, instead of dealing the the question in this light, have treated my letter as accural attack on chemists charges, which it was never atended to be.—I am, etc.

WILLIAM SEMPLE YORNG, M.D.

Workmen and the Capitation Fee.

Bookmen and the Capitation fee.

Sin,—Without wishing to occupy further space in the occasal I should like to emphasize the points of Dr. Bellapa's eter in the Supplement of November 17th (p. 234). The facts mentions are so obvious to medical men that it gives a some We know quite well that numbers of panel patients and nothing of spending more than the amount of the agraone horning of spending more man the amount of the capita-on fee at any football match or cup the. There is no hard-on to the individual member. One would like an assurance at this would be emphasized before the special Court of

oning. One other matter. It is derogatory to have our point as espected by any "Jack modifier. If our rooms are good mough for a doctor to work in they are surely good mough or the pattent. To put the best on the other leg, be sound or the patient. To put the boot on the other leg, becomind do for the doctors to complain that they had to start patients upying insanitary or ill furnished rooms body are, etc.

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POST-GRADUATE COURSES AND LECTURES BRISTOL UNIVERSITY. -- Bosombe | Fr., Dr. Herapath: Bradycardia and Tachycardia.

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BIRTH. Honoson. On November 19th, at 14, Jesmond Road, Newsastle-on-Tyne the wife of Novembe Hodgen, M.E., M.S., F.R.C.S.E., of a son.

LINENCE SAUGHL-ON November 20th, 1982, at the phurch of St. Ambrow-phuromouth, filteny O. Lawrendes, M.B., Ob.R.Brun, M.R.C.S.Ray, J.R.C.P., D.P.E.God, to Miss. B. M. Sanghel Devises and Borramouth P.W. McCOLLIGH,—At Ohrin Ondrah, Swinderland, on October 94th, by the Hewrond F. T. Knight, vicen of Bylong, antied by the Reverend F. J. Cutts, William Palescone Fats, Rigssuphength Duns, younger of St. Andrew Pales of Carriedad, Bulley, antied by the Carried E.P., J. R. S. Sanghel and C. S. Sanghel and S. Sanghel

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CURRENT NOTES.

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Acruouszerva information has reached the Head Office of the Brigin Medical Association which convinces it that it was unfortunate that the Medical Service of Kenya Colony should have been linked with that of the Windward Islands in the article which appeared in the Educational Number of the British Marical Journal (September 1st, 1923. B. 395) headed "Moderal Appointments under the Colonial Office," It is true that there has been a certain amount of retreachment in connexion with the Medical service in the Kenya Colony, but this was part of a general economic measure and configuration the Medical Service. So far an security of tempts is concerned the medical man accepting a post in Kenya now is probably as safe as he would be in any other Colonial medical appointment. It is unlikely that there will be further retrenchment in this Service, and therefore it is only right to say that any medical mean thinking of applying for an appointment in the Leave Medical Service can do so with a clear conscience and in the expectation of as good a career as he could genean any other of the Colonial Medical Services.

Insurance Medical Service.

We publish in this week's SUPPLEMENT the Annual Report of the Insurance Acts Committee, and also the correpondence which has passed between the Ministry and the Committee regarding the alteration in the conditions of service for 1924. The Insurance Acts Committee is meeting representatives of the Ministry on Thursday, September 20th, for a further discussion regarding alterations in the conditions of service, and we hope to be able to publish shortly the final proposals of the Ministry in this connexion. The Ministry of Health has promised that the capitation rate for 1924 and onwards shall be made known if possible by October 1st; and a meeting of the Insurance Acts Committee has been called for October 4th, in order that the final proposals both as regards terms and conorder that the man proposate own as regards terms and conditions of service may be discussed, prior to consideration by the Annual-Conference of focal Madical and Pauel Committees, which is to be held an October 18th.

Association Rotices.

BRANCH AND DIVISION MEETINGS TO BE HELD. OXFORD AND READING BRANCH READING DIVISION.-The annual off meeting of the Residing Division will be held on Thursday. Sprember 27th, at Huntercombe Golf Unb. Play will begin not earlier than 10 a.m. nor later than 3 p.m. for the Challenge Opp. There will be no entrance fee, but an optional sweep of 3, 6d., non-third of which falls to the winner, and two-thirds to 23. 6d., one-third of which falls to the winner, and two-times to the reannests. In the afternoon a boger sweepstake will be arranged. Members are asked to notify Dr. E. W. Squire, 223, King's Road, Reading, if they intend to play.

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5. The following nominees of outside bodies were appointed neurbers of the Committee for the past sension: Dr. Market Ramssy, Plymouth (Merical Women's Federation), Dr. Mr. J. Howarth, C.B.E., Longfield, Kent, and afterwarin Dr. G. F. Buchan, Willeden (Stories of Medical Officers of Hoselth), Dr. A. E. Cope, London (Poor Law Medical Officers) Association, Wr. H. 'S. Souttar, C.B. E., was reappointed by the Houghted Committee of the Association be a representative of the Staff of a Voluntary Hearts. Voluntary Hospital.

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6. Dr. H. B. Brackenbury was re-appointed Chairman.

CONSTITUTION OF INSURANCE ACTS COMMITTEE-ELECTION OF DIRECT RESERVED TATIVAS

7. In accordance with Minut 20 of the 1992 Annual Conference allocating the additional direct representative on the Committee, made possible sty the withdrawal of the Irish representative formerly elected by the Representative Rody of the Association, to London, Spie London Exacl Committee supplied a second representative (Dr. H. J. Caroliel) for the segment 1972/23.

6. Minute 25 of the 1992 Annual Conference expressed the opinion that the number of direct representatives on the Committee should be increased. In considering the above, market; the Committee also had as mind the desirability of so increasing this number of direct temperatures are allow of every shode of opinion assessing fragrance appetitioners having a fuller opportunity of representation. The Committee cause to the conclusion, which the Conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, that representation on the best of the conference in June, 1225, endorsed, the conference in June, 1225, endorse the basis of one direct representative to approximately every 800

THE METHICAL SERVICE OF KENYA COLCRY.

The Health services in the various colonies and dependencies of the Orown, and more especially those in tropical areas, are obviously key services - that is to say, their maintenance on an adjouate basis is an exacttal condition of economic stability and development F and

any threat to their efficiency is matter for grave concern, not to the individual service or to the medical profession only, but to all who have the welfare of the colonies at heart. That the efficiency of the service depends ultimately upon the class of camidate attracted by the conditions offered is equally true. This is a sufficiently trite text, but unfortunately there are not lacking indications that the sermon is urgently needed. Of these indications the latest comes from Kenya Colony.

The essential facts of the case seem to be as follows. During the last two years the Colonial Government has been contending with conditions of the ulmost difficulty and danger. On the one hand, post-war economic problems have been complicated by failure of the rains and consequent famine, and also by peculiar currency difficulties; on the other, development has been hampered by racial animosity and suspicion in the most acute form. Early last year the Colonial Office indicated, that a reduction of 50 per cent, in the current estimates was essential to the stability of the colony, and the Bowring Committee of the Legislative Council was appointed to explore the possibilities in this direction.

Its recommendations included the abolition of the local allowance to European Government servants, and a reduction in the estimates of the Medical Department of £50.000. The reduction of the local allowance was dis-bussed in detail in a Current Note in the SUPPLEMENT to the British Menical Journal of June 24th, 1922, and is not for the moment in question, but it may be remarked in passing that the recommendation has not been accepted without modification, and an allowance of 15 per cent in place of the original 50 per cent, has been conceded for the current year.

The proposals for retrenchment in the Medical Department comprise, according to a statement in the House of Commons by the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, "the abolition of one post of semor medical officer, eight of medical officers one of dental surgeon, and a number of other appointments. They "have been framed so as to affect as little as possible the principal centres of population, and they concern mainly the minor stations and those out-stations where other the minus states and the made available for medical attention. They have been closely examined by the late and the present Governor, and although the reductions have been effected with great reluctance, the Principal Medical Officer is satisfied that efficiency can be main tained." This statement is worth careful consideration. It discloses a position affecting the welfare of the colony, the interests of existing members of the medical service, and the general conditions of service in the Colonial Medical Services.

In the first place, then, we learn that the efficiency of the service is to be maintained, notwithstanding a reorganization involving not only the abolition of ten medical appointments (the Government dental surgeon is a fully qualified member of the medical staff, but a reduction of ten in the total personnel of the service. To maintain efficiency in face of a reduction of over 30 per cent. in a department not generally considered to be overstaffed would seem to be a surprising enough achievement. When it is further indicated that the localities concerned are the minor centres of population and out-stations, and that alternative facilities for medical attention may be available in these localities, we are even more mystified. Minor centres are not usually those where medical facilities abound. We fear that the explanation of the matter must be sought in a recent enactment (Ordinance 3 of 1922) empowering the Principal Medical Officer to license (for the purposes of private practice in the colony) assistant surgeons and hospital assistants who have completed their term of Covernment service. These persons, it raust by explained: not fully qualified practitioners, although they have undergone a course of medical training and held subordinate poetions in the service of the colony.

The Deminions Committee of the British Medical Association warmly endersed the protest entered at the time by the local Branches against this introduction of unqualified practice, regulated and heensed by a single Government officer, in place of the Medical Board charged with registration under the Medical Ordinance of 1916. If these are the other facilities referred to they can hardly be taken as the equivalent of the facilities withdrawn by abolishing a substantial proportion of the posts held by fully qualified medical

Passing from the general aspect of the matter to its affect upon the medical service itself, we find the position equally unsatisfactory. Some at least of the eeted are known to be men with a considerable period of service to their credit, but not yet entitled to retire on pension. Such medical officers had every reason to suppose that the service offered them security of tenure, presumably entered into financial and other commitments accordingly. The Dominions Committee of the Association has been informed that they will receive a pension equivalent to that permissible in the event of retirement on medical certificate, and no other compensation—In view of the fact that the current Colonial List shows some twenty-three temporary medical officers in the several East African colonies, it is not, perhaps, too much to hope that the Secretary of State may find it possible to offer them alternative employment in the possible to offer them alternative employment in the of such compulsory and inadequately compensate retirement. The prerogative of the Crown to determine the employment of a Government servant is of course beyond dispute, but it is not the least disquieting factor in the situation that the Colonial Office has sought to justify the present policy by the argument that the existence of this prerogative precludes the assumption that the appointmente in question are permanent. Prospective cambidates for the services will therefore be well advised to obtain an official interpretation of the statement in the current Colonial Office memorandum on colonial medical appointments to the effect that such appointments in the East African Colonies are, after a pro-bationary period of two years, "made permanent at service has been satisfactory. Security of tenure has in the past been reckoned not the least among the attractions of the colonial services, and its withdrawal must affect the quality of the candidates coming forward in the future. The precedent now established may prove detringental to the Colonial Medical Services as a whole,

and not merely to those in Kenya Colony.

The case of the dental surgeon may be mentioned as an illustration of the nature and probable effects of the present retrenchment. The post was created in 1911, and since 1915 dental service has been guaranteed to members of the East African Civil Service under the In that year a Colonial Office subcommittee on dental facilities in tropical Africa recommended the confirmation of the appointment to the medical officer then bolding it, and declared that only a very grave emer-gency could be held to justify taking the Government dental surgeon away from the work properly attached to the appointment and employing him on medical or other work not so attached. Such an emergency did, in fact, arise in the course of the war, and it was not till 1918 that this officer resumed dental work. In 1922, in spite of the prevailing financial stringenes the estimates provided for the extension of the work by the appointment of an assistant deptal surgeon and two dental machanics, but the logislature refused to vote the money, and accordingly the denial respect

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It is to be feared in fact experience dearly bought in similar circun stances eisewhere leaves no doubt- that an attempt to maintain the efficiency of the Kenya Medical Service under the conditions we have described must end in farine, with injurious results to the public health and ecomon e development of the colony. It has been alleged on good authority that official neglect of the public health of the colony must tend to aggravate the political unrest at present existing and the suggestion is not so far fetched as at first sight it may seem. We have no detailed information as to the public health conditions in Kenya, but they are known to be primitive, as is mevitable in a new country with a new and changing population. Squalor and disease do not tend to produce a contented people, and a low standard of health sape enterprise. The relation between efficient public health administration and economic progres is direct, and is recognized by state-men and legislators in this country. We can therefore well believe that the organization of a properly equipped and fully staffed Public Health Department in Kenya would go far towards solving the municipal tangle which persons well acquainted with the circumstances consider to be in part responsible for the racial quest or windr is the cause of much embittered feeling to to dy in East Africa but in India.

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Medical Department,

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September 19th, 1923

Dear Dr. Gilks.

I send you herewith a proof of the Current Note which will appear in this week's Journal regarding the Kenya Medical Service. If we have inadvertently said anything which can be construed as being unjust to the Kenya Medical Service, I hope that the Current Note which we are now publishing will undo it.

I have to-day written to the Secretary of your Branch asking him to let me have the considered opinion of the Branch as to the present terms and conditions of service in Kenya and I have sent him a copy of the Current Note above referred to.

I hope that this Current Note will have the desired effect and that you will be able to get the recruits for the Service which you are anxious to obtain. The fact that the article which appeared in the Educational number has prevented you from obtaining these recruits only shows the power of the Association which, unfortunately in this case, was somewhat mis-directed. I hope that when you return to Kenya you will explain matters to your Branch and will advise it at all times to keep us posted as to the opinion locally regarding the prospects in the Kenya Medical Service.

Yours faithfully.

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CURRENT NOTES

Kenya Medical Service.

Authoritative information has reached the Head Office of the British Medical Association which convinces it that it was unfortunate that the Medical Service of Kenya Colony should have been linked with that of the Windward Islands in the article which appeared in the Educational Number of the British Medical Journal (September 1st 1923, p.395) headed "Medical Appointments under the Colonial Office". It is true that there has been a certain amount of retrenchment in connexion with the Medical Service in the Kenya Colony, but this was part of a general economic measure not confined to the Medical Service. So far as security of tenure is concerned the medical man accepting a post in Kenya now is probably as safe as he would be in any other Colonial medical appointment. It is unlikely that there will be further retrenchment in this Service, and therefore it is only right to say that any medical man thinking of applying for an appointment in the Kenya Medical Service can do so with a clear conscience and in the expectation of as good a career, as he could get in any other of the Colonial Medical Services.

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Dear Dr. Gilks,

I expect you have seen the Educational number of the B.M.J. of September 1:t on the subject of the Colonial Services and the correcting note in a subsequent issue and I expect that as President of the Branch you have called on the Medical Secretary. The matter will come up at the next meeting and of course I cannot say what the result will be, though I have a very fair idea.

You might be interested, however, to know what the opinion of the Bervice is.

There was an informal meeting of Medical Officers at Kauntze's house: present Kauntze, Welch, Ross, Pugh, Fisher, Clearkin and myself. Everyone was exceedingly angry, not only with the original article, but with the statement in the correcting note to the effect that one might join this service ith a "clear conscience" and I presume remain in it with a "clear conscience". That note will have to be amplified I'm afraid, or it will be difficult to keep people in the B.M.A.

The feeling of the meeting was as foliows:

- (1) We're proud to belong to the Kenya Medical Service.
- (2) We consider that the security of tenure is ample.
- (3) We consider that it's not in the interest of

any service that the security of tenare should be too great and that too much security of tenure has been the curse of more services than one in the past.

- (4) The possibilities of promotion are quite ample. (I remember Johnstone once saying that held rather be an M.O.H. in this service than a P.M.O. in any other).
- (5) That this service is one to which it's worth while for a man to come.
- (6) That the action of the B.M.A. in running down the service without first approaching the Local Branch cannot possibly be passed over.

De Boer and Allen also I know agree. All other members are being whitten to and the Local Branch will be It was also the opinion of everybody that approached. it's extraordinary bad "trade unionism" to insist on security of tenure for everyone apparently without any enquiry as to whether he's a good workman or not and with that I particularly agree. The B.M.A. has done an extraordinary disservice to Public Health in Tropical Africa and to its own members in particular. building up a fine Public Health Service here and have got unusually good young men (and unusually well qualified too) who've been working in a splendid fashion for the past three years. . Now the B.M.A. says it's a poor show and if its own members out here are for get relieved they are only to be relieved by people who can find no career elsewhere. Whatever happens we must accept no mediacre people. We'd one and all overstay our tours for any length

length of time, rather than let the standard of this service which we've spent so much time and hard work in building up under your direction go down and a "trade unionism" which won't allow of the inefficient being got rid of is of no use to us or to the Public Health. The Colonial Services as a whole may not be all they should, but the Kenya Service is good, it's contented and it's efficient and it's worth belonging to. It's a better tealth service than the R.A.M.C. or the I.M.3. ever were taking it and them all round, of that I've no doubt at all. It is beginning to be an influence for good in Uganda and Tanganyika and Zanzibar and the policy of the B.M.A. ought to be to support us in order that it can be shown

- (1) what a Colonial Service should be and can be and
- (2) What the other Colonial Services ought to be.

There was one other point that rether disgusted your medical officers. They take great exception to the fact that the B.M.A. pays attention only to pay and conditions. The pay is as good as the country can afford and as much as our experience at present warrants and we'd be more pleased to be members of the B.M.A. If it could realise that pay and conditions are not everything and that opportunities for doing decent work and opportunities to work with keen and helpful people are much more important and as regards these Kenya is second to name.

With regard to the very objectionable and misinformed leading article which appeared in an April number of the BAJ. We can of course say mothing publicly as we are officials. But it might be useful to give the Editor of the Medical Secretary a copy of the 1921 Report

and when this ready the 1972 Represent it might interest them to compare them with previous reports. The Public Realth is now being looked after for the first time, also current ment at expendature is sometimes useful after a department has been in existence for a long time and was to breating more regions and doing far more real public health work now than was ever done before our estimates were out down and the retrenchments took place and because the public and the Covernment now sees and is assured that we are working efficiently and economically there will be no difficulty whatsoever in obtaining further supplies as and when we need them and as and when we day use them and as and when we day use them

The Colonial Services undoubtedly used help if the Public Health of the Colonies is to be assured and the B.M.A. can be of vast assistance, but if it is to help it must be by insisting on good work from its own mambers and recognizing when and where its members are doing good work. I hope you will be able to put this point of view before the B.M.A. authorities and enable them to realise that the Kenya Service is the best influence for the good of madicine and the Public Health in Tropical Africa and if it has the support of the B.M.A. can be of great use to other B.M.A. members in services where - largely on account of the inexperience of those members themselves - account of the inexperience of those members themselves -

Yours very sincerely.
(Signed) L. R. Paterson.