

General Notes

and severe blood-pressure changes in the brain. Direct pressure on the brain is probably the most important.

Hans Brunner also contributes an important section on commotio auris internæ and collaborates with L. Schönbauer in a long article on fractures of the base of the skull.

Among other articles are explosion trauma of the ear by O. Mauthner; changes in the ear from alterations in atmospheric pressure by A. Thost; gunshot injuries to the ear by G. Alexander; and the meaning of ear-findings in the cerebral symptom-complex by G. Alexander.

The last section is devoted to vascular disturbances of the ear and contains articles on vascular diseases of the labyrinth by F. Kobrak, influence of the vegetative nervous system on the function of the inner ear by G. A. Spiegel, vascular diseases in the brain-stem and cerebellum by G. Stiefler and arteriosclerosis of the ear by C. Stein.

This volume is in every way up to the standard of the preceding volumes in the series. Like the others, it is a book one cannot sit down and read through, as there is too much for easy assimilation, but as a book of reference it is a veritable mine of detailed information.

J. K. M. DICKIE.

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ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE.

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Section of Otology.—*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 next Meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, 1st March, 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 meeting.

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The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, 1st March, at 5 P.M. Members desirous of showing patients or specimens should communicate with the Senior Hon. Secretary at least twelve days before the meeting.

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

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

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BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, MANCHESTER, 1929.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in Manchester in July. The Association meets under the Presidency of Arthur Henry Burgess, M.B. (Vict.), F.R.C.S. Eng., Honorary Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, and Professor of Clinical Surgery, Victoria University, Manchester.

The Section of Laryngology and Otology will meet under the Presidency of Mr F. H. Westmacott, C.B.E., F.R.C.S.

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The Eighth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at 11 Chandos Street, London, W.1, on the afternoon of Friday, 1st 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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ANNUAL "JOURNAL" DINNER.

The Annual Dinner will be held on the evening of Friday, 1st March. The Chair will be taken by Mr W. M. Mollison, F.R.C.S., one of the Directors of the Company. The Dinner will take place at the Langham Hotel, Portland Place, at 7.45 for 8 o'clock. Tickets 10s. 6d. are payable at the table.

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THE DUVEEN TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIP IN OTO-LARYNGOLOGY.

The Duveen Travelling Fellowship of the value of £450, to which reference was made in our Notes in December last, will be awarded annually to a student with the degree of M.B. and B.S. of the University of London. The terms of the studentship will, in the first instance, be for one year, which will be spent in study abroad; but such tenure may be extended for one or two years, and, during the period of extension, the student may be allowed to undertake research at the Royal Ear Hospital or at some other approved Laboratory.

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THE LATE DR WILLIAM BROWN HUNTER, M.D. EDIN.

The death of Dr W. B. Hunter, which occurred in Londonderry towards the end of last year, should not be allowed to pass entirely without notice in the pages of this *Journal*. A graduate of the University of Edinburgh in 1866, he was one of the oldest and best-known practitioners in the North of Ireland, the home of his birth. He was largely instrumental, nearly fifty years ago, in establishing the Londonderry Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, which now meets the needs of many patients from a wide area. Dr Hunter was, for a number of years, honorary surgeon to the hospital, and gave his services ungrudgingly in spite of many other calls upon his time. Dr Hunter was an active member of the British Medical Association. At the time of his death he had retired from practice.

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