

### *News, Notes and Queries*

'Nineteenth-century Revolution in Government.'

(17) *The Causes of Death and Morbidity in the Royal Navy*, by Surgeon Captain F. P. Ellis. By the 1860s the Annual Reports on the Health of the Navy were well established. This paper discussed the main causes of death, and morbidity as revealed by an analysis of these Reports, and compared them with the causes in the civilian population.

All the papers given at the Congress are to be published in full in due course, edited by the Honorary Secretary of the Congress, Dr. F. N. L. Poynter.

#### FACULTY OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY MACCABAEAN PRIZE AND MEDAL

Entries for the 1968 Maccabean Prize of 25 guineas and a bronze medal are now invited for an essay of 5,000 to 7,000 words on some aspect of the history of medicine or pharmacy. Intending candidates, who must be under thirty years of age on 15 March, 1968, may apply for further particulars to the Hon. Secretary of the Faculty (Dr. F. N. L. Poynter, The Wellcome Historical Medical Library, The Wellcome Building, Euston Road, London, N.W.1.)

#### UNIVERSITY OF PARIS DEPARTMENT OF THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY

A course of lectures on 'The Middle Ages' commenced on 16 November, 1967, organized by the head of the department, Professor Charles Coury. A wide variety of subjects is to be covered in this course, which will continue until 4 April 1968. They include: Byzantine medicine (the clinical and biological sciences); Islamic medicine; the Schools of Salerno and Montpellier; hospitals; the medieval universities of Paris, Bologna, and Padua; epidemics; pharmacology and therapeutics.

#### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE

The Washington University School of Medicine and the Department of History are to be co-hosts to the American Association for the History of Medicine at its meeting in St. Louis on 18–20 April, 1968.

Sessions will be devoted to the history of pharmacy (arranged by the American Institute for the History of Pharmacy), medieval and renaissance medicine in the Vatican Archives (at Pius XII Library), local St. Louis area medical history, and other topics. The banquet speaker is the Editor of the papers of Lewis and Clark.