



Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

The Council have to report that, since their election on the 6th of June, 1864, they held 22 meetings, at which the number of attendances of each Member of Council was as follows :—

	<i>Meetings.</i>
The President, Arthur Jacob	22
The Vice-President, Samuel G. Wilmot	6
William Hargrave	19
Robert Adams	5
James Barker	20
William Colles	20
Hans Irvine	16
Edward Hutton	0
Robert Pentland	5
Richard G. H. Butcher	10
Thomas L. Mackesy	5
Awly P. Banon	15
Peter Shannon	20
Rawdon Macnamara	13
Hamilton Labatt	21
Benjamin M'Dowel	11
Edward Ledwich	21
William Jameson	19
Alexander Carte	21
James H. Wharton	22
* George W. Hatchell	4

The Council have to report that during the year ending the 5th of April, 1865, 13 candidates were admitted to the Fellowship of the College, and 112 gentlemen received Letters Testimonial; 17 Licentiates obtained the Diploma in Midwifery; 17 candidates for Letters Testimonial were rejected.

The Council regret to have to announce the deaths of the following Fellows and Licentiates since the date of the last report :—

Drs. James Brown, Thomas Pattinson Flynn, Thomas Gallogly, William Healy, Charles Hyde, Arthur E. Jacob, William Kennedy, Henry King, Henry Stewart Lodge, Richard Leeper, John Mahony, Samuel Maclean, William Sullivan, James O'Loughlin, George Ribton, George Stephenson, William Nichol, Richard White, Robert Brown, J. H. Bews, Theophilus Dolan, Henry P. Gregory, William S. Kennedy, Robert Speedy, John James Scott, George Young.

The entire number now on the lists of the College amounts to 393 Fellows and 612 Licentiates.

The Council beg leave to submit an abstract of the income and expenditure of the College for the past year, ending 5th April, 1865, and they place on the table a detailed abstract.

* Dr. George W. Hatchell was elected on the 16th March, 1865, in room of the late lamented William Healy, Esq.

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Abstract of the Totals of Income and Expenditure under

Receipts.

Balance of Account ended 5th April, 1864	£684 14 4
Fees on Matriculation of 104 Pupils	...	...	...	£52 0 0
Do. Registration of 107 Pupils	...	...	...	561 15 0
Do. 105 Candidates for Letters Testimonial	...	...	...	2205 0 0
Do. 11 " Fellowship	...	...	...	136 10 0
Do. 16 " Midwifery	...	...	...	33 12 0
Dividend on £2,500 New Three per Cent. Stock, to 8th April, 1864, less				
Income Tax	...	...	...	36 8 1
Dividend on £2,500 New Three per Cent. Stock, to 13th October, 1864, less				
Income Tax	...	...	...	36 11 3
Half-year's Interest on £10,000, secured by Mortgage, to August, 1864, less				
Income Tax	...	...	...	207 3 9
Half-year's Interest on £10,000, secured by Mortgage, to February, 1865,				
less Income Tax	207 3 3
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Cash in Bank on 5th April, 1864	...	£601 5 4	Balance to the Credit of this Account on 5th April, 1865...	... £706 16 6
Dividend for half-year to July, 1864, £3,608 17s. 4d., Consols, less Income Tax	...	52 15 7		
Dividend for half-year to Jan., 1865, £3,608 17s. 4d., Consols, less Income Tax	...	52 15 7		
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		£706 16 6		£706 16 9

each head, from 6th April, 1864, to 5th April, 1865.

Expenditure.

Establishment	...	...	...	...	£597 4 3
This is composed of—Fuel, £35 13s.; Lighting, £58 2s. 5d.; Chandlery, £7 9s. 9d.; Printing, Stationery, Stamps, &c., £101 10s. 6d.; Painting, Glazing, &c., £21 9s. 11d.; Builders' and Carpenters' Work, £50 8s.; Servants' Clothes, £65 13s. 6d.; Furniture, £27 8s. 6d.; Ironmongery, £20 10s.; Gas Fitters' Work, £103 2s. 2d.; House, Sundries, and Incidentals, £105 16s. 6d.					
Taxes—Consolidated Rates, &c.	...	...	...	...	220 16 5
Library	...	...	...	...	385 15 7
This is composed of—Books, £284 14s 4d.; Binding Books, £19 4s. 3d.; Painting, £2 14s. 2d.; Upholstery, £2 7s. 6d.; Ironmongery, £3 5s. 4d.; Library Clerk, £65; Incidentals, £8 10s.					
Museum	...	...	...	...	346 13 11
This is composed of—Curator's Gratuities, £70; Ditto, Salary, £80; Ditto for Incidentals, £33 14s. 6d.; Porters' Wages, £58 10s.; Painting, &c., £8 7s. 10d.; Carpenters' Work, £5 9s. 10d.; Drugs, Spirits, &c., £45 0s. 11d.; Glass Jars, £21 13s. 10d.; Stands, £12 16s.; Drawings, £3; Ironmongery, £5 10s.; Fuel, 18s.; Incidentals, £1 13s.					
School	...	...	...	...	239 17 5
This is composed of—Laboratory Expenses, £40; Porters' Wages, £90 12s.; School Advertisements, £31 10s.; Fuel £14 4s.; Plumbers' Work, £28 16s. 11d.; Carpenters' Work and Timber, £27 16s. 11d.; Painting, &c., £5 14s. 4d.; Towels, £1 3s. 3d.					
Fire Insurance—Renewal Premiums	...	...	...	...	69 16 10
Law Expenses—Mr. Litton's Account	...	...	...	...	48 9 11
Surgical Society	...	...	...	...	29 7 6
This is composed of—Reporting, &c. at Meetings, £15 10s.; Advertising £4 11s.; Hire of Lamps, &c., £7 3s.; Cards, &c., £2 3s. 6d.					
Remuneration to Examiners for attendance at Examinations	...	...	...	...	572 3 8
Do. to Members of Council	do.	do.	...	...	184 10 7
Do. to Classical Examiners	do.	do.	...	...	67 10 0
Do. to Midwifery Examiners	do.	do.	...	...	13 18 3
Repaid Candidates for Letters Testimonial (11)	...	...	...	...	231 0 0
The late President attending Visitation of Queen's Colleges	...	...	...	...	15 15 0
Albert Hall—Enamelled Glass in Windows	...	...	...	...	12 11 0
Deposit Lodged in Bank of Ireland, Nov. 17th, 1864 (at interest)	...	...	...	...	500 0 0
Salary of Secretary of Council	...	...	...	...	100 0 0
Do. of Registrar	...	...	...	...	80 0 0
Do. of Accountant	...	...	...	...	20 0 0
Retired allowance to Dr. Hart	50 0 0
Do. do. to Mr. Boylan	30 0 0
Wages of House Servants	115 16 4
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Total Expenditure from 6th April, 1864, to 5th April, 1865	3931 6 8
Balance on 5th April, 1865 (exclusive of £500 in Deposit Account in	229 11 0
Bank of Ireland	...	...	...	...	229 11 0
					£4,160 17 8

MUSEUM.

Report of Curator for the year ending 5th April, 1865.

GENTLEMEN—In submitting my ninth annual report, I beg leave to state that 1640 visitors have been admitted during the past year. In future visitors will be restricted to members of the profession and to such persons as may be properly introduced. The Museum has been made available as much as possible, and the Professors of the College have been supplied with such preparations as they have required.

Several of the specimens of the College were lent, in February last, to the College of Physicians, on the occasion of a *Conversazione* held in their new Hall, and attracted much attention.

84 preparations have been added to the collection and 200 old ones repaired and renewed.

Donations have been received from Drs. Brunker, Benson, Beatty, Banon, M'Clintock, Carte, Croly, M. Colles, Darby, Geoghegan, Gordon, Hargrave, J. S. Hughes, Jacob, Macnamara, Minchin, Shekleton, Stapleton, Porter, Walsh, Wharton, Mr. Eames, and Mr. Good.

For the state and requirements of the Museum, I beg leave to refer to the Museum Committee.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN BARKER, M.D.

LIBRARY.

The Council availed themselves of the opportunity afforded by the sale of the late Dr. Vroleck's books, of adding some valuable works to the Library, for which sum they apportioned £100.

Report of the Library Clerk to the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons, for the year ending 5th April, 1865.

GENTLEMEN—I beg leave to report that 63 Journals and Transactions of Societies, and 325 other works, in all 388 volumes, have been added to the Library. During the past year 190 volumes have been bound, and a catalogue of the newly purchased books is laid upon the table.

The following gentlemen have contributed to the Library during the past year:—Drs. J. Hamilton, Tufnell, Searl, M'Donnell, Hayden, Mather, A. P. Colles, Bengal Service; Stark, Lawlor, Frazer, Rev. Dr. Haughton, through Messrs. Williams and Nargate; Dr. Gant, London.

The following donations have been also received :—"Transactions of the Medical and Physical Society of Bombay;" "Deaths in Bombay;" "Australian Medical Journal;" "Army Medical Department Statistical, Sanitary, and Medical Report, 1862-64;" "Journal of the Geological Society of Dublin;" "Statistical Journal of Dublin;" "Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London;" "London University Calendar, 1865;" "Transactions R. I. A. and Proceedings of same;" "Catholic University Calendar 1865;" "Index to the Pathological Transactions of London;" "Registration of Births and Deaths in Ireland."

The number of readers in pupils' room during the past year, 250.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

JOHN MACLEAN, Library Clerk.

Recommendations from the College to the Council.

At a meeting of Council, held on June 23rd, the following recommendations to the Council, passed at a meeting of the College on May 30th, 1864, were read, viz. :—

Moved by Dr. Darby, seconded by Dr. Benson, and resolved—

"That the Council be recommended to take such steps as to them may seem best to obtain the admission of their Licentiates to the Fellowship of the College without professional examination."

Moved by Dr. Darby, seconded by Dr. Minchin, and resolved—

"That it is the wish of the College that the Council do take into their early consideration the desirability of enlarging and improving the Museum."

When it was resolved—

"That the recommendation of the College in reference to the procuring a new Charter be referred to the Finance Committee for them to report to the Council thereon."

At the same meeting it was also resolved—

"That the question referred from the General Meeting of the College with reference to the enlarging and improving of the Museum be referred to the Museum Committee to the report to the Council thereon."

At a meeting of the Finance Committee, held on May 17th, it was resolved—

“That the Finance Committee are of opinion that it is inexpedient to seek for powers to obtain the admission of Licentiates to the Fellowship of the College without professional examination, as no serious impediment at present exists with regard to the admission of Licentiates to the Fellowship.”

The question regarding the enlargement of the Museum is still under consideration.

Contemplated Charter of the Queen's University in Ireland, empowering that body to grant Diplomas in Surgery.

At a meeting of Council, held on July 7th, the President brought up a Report from the Finance Committee, on the subject of the contemplated Charter of the Queen's University in Ireland, empowering that body to grant Diplomas in Surgery, which was adopted, and which now lies on the table.

College Microscopical Society.

At a meeting of Council, held on October 6th, it was resolved—

“That the following be a Provisional Council to organize a Microscopic Society, to hold its meetings in the College, and to be entrusted with the care of the microscope lately purchased, and to report to the Council at its next meeting, viz.—Messrs. Jacob, Hargrave, Colles, Banon, Macnamara, Labatt, M'Dowel, Ledwich, Jameson, Carte, Healy, Wharton, Bevan, John Barker, Richardson, Stapleton, Hughes, W. Barker, Geoghegan, Mitchell, Collis.”

Representative of the College on the General Medical Council.

At a meeting of Council, held on February 16th, 1865, it was resolved—

“That Dr. Hargrave be re-elected as medical representative of the College on the General Medical Council for the ensuing four years, and that notice of his election be forwarded by the Secretary of Council this day to Dr. Hawkins.”

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Educational Regulations.

At a meeting of Council, held on November 17th, it was resolved—

“That the Classical Examinations be decided in accordance with the regulations for the examination for Letters Testimonial, and when the votes are equal the candidate is admitted as having answered in classics.”

At the same Meeting it was also resolved—

“That the Certificates, Preliminary and Professional, of the Calcutta University be received and acknowledged by this College as qualifications for the Letters Testimonial and Fellowship.”

At a meeting of Council, held on Jan. 19th, it was resolved—

“That the Court of Examiners be directed to carry out the provisions of the section relative to the examination of candidates for Letters Testimonial, as follows:—‘In addition to the oral examinations, candidates for Letters Testimonial shall, subsequent to the 1st of May, 1863, be required to give written answers to written questions, to be delivered to them in such a manner as the Council may direct; not more than seven written questions to be given to the candidate. All to take effect from 1st May, 1865.’”

At the same meeting it was also resolved—

“That the Court of Examiners be directed to carry out the provisions of the section relative to the examination of candidates for Letters Testimonial, as follows:—‘Not more than seven written questions be given to the candidates, and to take effect from the 1st May, 1865.’”

At a meeting of the Council, held on the 2nd February, 1865, it was resolved—

“That the motion agreed to at the last meeting of Council be amended, as follows:—‘That any candidate for Letters Testimonial, who can give satisfactory evidence that he commenced the profession before 1861, be examined orally only.’”

Licence in Midwifery.

At a meeting of Council, held on the 2nd February, 1865, it was resolved—

“That the College do not think it expedient to take any steps with reference to the Licence of Midwifery, till the opinion sought by the Executive Council be obtained.”

At a meeting of Council held on July 7th, Dr. Hargrave laid before the Council the opinion of the Law Officers of the Crown in England in favour of the Registration of the Licentiates in Midwifery of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

Recognition of the Licence of the Apothecaries' Company of Ireland by the Poor Law Commissioners of Ireland as a Medical qualification to hold Poor Law appointments in Ireland.

The Secretary of Council having been, on the 1st November, authorized by the Council to inquire, “Whether it is true that the Poor Law Commissioners have issued an order, recognizing the Licence of the Apothecaries' Company of Ireland as a qualification for Poor Law appointments in this country?” received the following reply, viz. :—

“Poor Law Commission Office,
“Dublin, 3rd December, 1864.

“SIR,

“The Commissioner for administering the Laws for the Relief of the Poor in Ireland acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 2nd inst., inquiring, by direction of the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, whether it is true that the Commissioners have issued an order recognising the Licence of the Apothecaries' Company of Ireland as a medical qualification for Poor Law appointments in this country.

“In reply, the Commissioners desire to state that they have issued orders having the effect stated, and copies of those orders, and of the circular letters accompanying them are herewith enclosed.

“By order of the Commissioners,
“B. BANKS, Chief Clerk.

“To J. Stannus Hughes, Esq., M.D., Secretary of Council
of Royal College of Surgeons, Stephen's-green.”

Appointment of a Professor of Hygiene.

At a meeting of the College held on 30th May, 1864, Dr. Mapother was elected Professor of Hygiene, and delivered a Course of Lectures on that subject in the month of July last.

Bust of the late Professor Power.

At a meeting of Council, held on January 5th it was resolved—

“That the kind proposal of the Committee of the Power Memorial Fund to consign the admirable bust of the late Professor Power, executed for the subscribers to that Fund, be thankfully accepted and gratefully acknowledged by this Council, and that the bust so presented and accepted be placed in an appropriate situation within the walls of the College.”

The Carmichael Fund.

At a meeting of Council, held on March 2nd, 1865, a letter having been read from Dr. M'Clintock in reference to the allocation of the money bequeathed by the late Dr. Carmichael to the College for the establishment of certain prizes, it was resolved—

“That it be a direction from this Council to the Finance Committee to take into their earliest consideration the bequest of the late Dr. Carmichael; to submit the case to the Law Adviser of the College, and to bring up a report on this subject to the Council as soon as said Law Adviser's opinions are obtained.”

This matter is still in the hands of the solicitor of the College.

At a meeting of Council, held on March 2nd, the following requisition was placed before the President, viz. :—

“We, the undersigned Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, hereby request of you to summon, at your earliest convenience, a meeting of the Fellows of this College to elect a Member of Council, in room of the late lamented Dr. William Healy.

“JAMES BARKER,

“RICHARD G. H. BUTCHER,

“PETER SHANNON,

“EDWARD LEDWICH,

“ALEXANDER CARTE,

“JAMES H. WHARTON,”

Resignation of Dr. Hutton.

At a meeting of Council held on May 18th, the following letter from Dr. Hutton was read, viz. :—

“TO THE PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF COUNCIL, AND FELLOWS OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS IN IRELAND.

“MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN—As the impaired state of my health renders me unable to fulfil the duties of the office of Secretary of the College, and of a member of Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, I beg leave to resign these offices, which I do with regret, with a grateful sense of the honour conferred in electing me thereto, and with the assurance that so long as I live I shall feel a deep and sincere interest in the welfare and success of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

“I have the honour to be, Mr. President and Gentlemen,

“Your obedient Servant,

“EDWARD HUTTON.”

When it was unanimously resolved—

“That in accepting the resignation of Dr. Hutton as Secretary of the College and as a member of Council, this Council take the opportunity of expressing their deep regret that the impaired state of his health has been the cause of depriving the College of his valuable services.”

Address to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant.

December 1st.

The President reported that he had waited upon the Lord Lieutenant, accompanied by the Vice-President, a number of Councillors and Fellows, on Friday, the 18th November, and presented the following Address, as agreed to :—

“We, the President, Vice-President, Council and Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons, have assembled to welcome your Excellency on your arrival in Ireland as the representative of Her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen, and to express our determination to afford your Lordship's Government all the aid we can offer, in the department to which we belong, to promote the welfare of the educational institutions of this country.

“The College we represent has been created by Her Majesty and her Royal predecessors, as the Charters declare, to establish a liberal and extensive system of surgical education in this kingdom, and to enforce a due course of regular education for students in surgery, to effect which objects its members rely with confidence to that support and encouragement which your Excellency is sure to extend to all institutions so founded and authorized.”

To the foregoing Address His Excellency was pleased to return the following answer :—

“GENTLEMEN OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS—As representative of the Queen I return you my thanks for your loyal address.

“It is highly satisfactory to me to receive your cordial assurance that the distinguished College to which you belong will continue to afford to the Government its valuable aid in the important work of surgical education.”

Address to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

"We, the President, Vice-President, Council and Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, hasten to express the feelings of satisfaction we entertain on your Royal Highness's arrival in Ireland to promote an undertaking beneficial to the country and agreeable to its inhabitants.

"We offer your Royal Highness a sincere welcome, and rejoice to have an opportunity afforded us for the display of a cordial desire to enjoy many repetitions of a visit so indicative of kind feeling and good intentions toward the people of this part of her Majesty's dominions.

"In conclusion, we have to give expression to our dutiful feelings of attachment and reverence for Her Most Gracious Majesty, and of our feelings of regard equally strong for your Royal Highness and your highly esteemed Consort."

"Viceregal Lodge, Phoenix Park,
"11th May, 1865.

"Lieutenant-General Knollys is directed by the Prince of Wales to convey His Royal Highness's thanks to the President, Vice-President and Fellows of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, for their address of welcome on his arrival to open the International Exhibition.

"His Royal Highness desires to assure them of the strong feelings of interest he takes in all that regards Ireland, and while thanking them for the sentiments of reverence and affection they express towards Her Majesty the Queen, he is no less sensible of the regard they profess for the Princess of Wales and himself."

May 18th, 1865.

By order,

JAMES STANNUS HUGHES, M.D.,

Secretary of Council.

May 20th, 1865.

Address to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales

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May 18th, 1853.

By order,

JAMES STANLEY HUGHES, M.D.

Secretary of Council.

May 20th, 1853.