



Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland.

NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

THE Council have to report that, since their election on the 3rd of June, 1861, they held 30 Meetings, at which the number of attendances of each Member of Council was as follows:—

	Meetings.
The President, William Jameson	28
The Vice-President, Thomas L. Mackesy	11
Arthur Jacob	30
Thomas E. Beatty	14
William Hargrave	24
Robert Adams	15
James Barker	25
William Colles	27
*John H. Power	15
Hans Irvine	25
Edward Hutton	20
Robert Pentland	10
Samuel G. Wilmot	11
Awly P. Banon	24
Peter Shannon	25
Hamilton Labatt	29
Josiah Smyly	24
Benjamin M'Dowel	19
Maurice H. Collis	25
Edward Ledwich	23
Christopher Fleming	29

The Council have to report that, during the year ending the 5th of April, 1862, 4 candidates were admitted to the Fellowship of the College, and 106 gentlemen received Letters Testimonial. Two Fellows and 42 Licentiates obtained the Diploma in Midwifery. Eighteen 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, viz. :—

Drs. Cusack, Barrett, Heath, Kingsley, MacLoughlin, Meade, Murray, O'Beirne, Rynd, Somers, Smith, Tagart, Whitestone, Blest, Custis, Kelly, Lees, M'Andrew, Morgan, Martley, Nixon, Orpen, Queale, Rogers, Swan.

The entire number now on the lists of the College amounts to 332 Fellows and 1,358 Licentiates.

The Council beg leave to submit an Abstract of the Income and Expenditure of the College for the year ending 5th April, 1862, and they place on the table a detailed account.

* Dr. J. H. Power was elected 18th October, 1861, in room of the late Dr. J. W. Cusack.

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ABSTRACT of the Totals of Income and Expenditure under

Receipts.

Balance of Account, ending 5th April, 1861	£179	15	6
Fees on Matriculation of 180 Pupils	£45	0	0
„ on Registration of 120 Students	630	0	0
„ from 124 Candidates for Letters Testimonial	2598	15	0
„ from 4 Candidates for Fellowship... ..	42	0	0
Dividend on £13,117 3s. 9d. New Three per Cent. Stock, to 8th April, 1861, less Income Tax	188	11	2
Ditto on £2,041 3s. 9d. New 3 per Cent. Stock, to 10th October, 1861, less Income Tax	29	9	4
Half-year's Interest on £10,000, Bookey's Mortgage, to February, 1862, less Income Tax	204	10	7
	3738	6	1
Sold, 9th August, 1861, £11,076 New 3 per Cent. Stock, which produced	10000	0	0

CARMICHAEL FUND.

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To Cash in Bank on 5th April, 1861	£287	14	11
To Dividend for half-year, to July, 1861, on £3,608 17s. 4d. 3 per Cent. Consols, less Income Tax	52	2	1
To Dividend for half-year, to January, 1862, on £3,608 17s 4d. 3 per Cent. Consols, less Income Tax	52	2	0
	£391	19	0

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By Balance to Credit in Bank, on 5th April, 1862	£391	19	0
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each head, from 6th April, 1861, to 5th April, 1862.

Expenditure.

Incidentals	£472 18 5
	This is composed of Fuel, Chandlery, Gas-light, Printing, Stationery, Painting work, Glazing, Ironmongery, Repairs, Servants' Clothing, &c.	
Fellows' Room	65 18 3
	This is composed of New Mantle-piece and Grate, Furniture, Painting, and Zinc Blinds.	
New Gas Fittings (for cost of them through the College)	108 0 1
Taxes (amount paid for the year)	185 14 2
Library	197 1 4
	This item includes—Books, £116 8s. 6d.; Binding Books, £25 14s. 2d.; Brass-work, £2 18s. 8d.; Library Clerk, £52.	
Museum	376 16 7
	This item includes—Curator's Gratuities, £80; ditto Salary, £80; ditto for Incidentals, £15; Porter's wages, £78; Preparation Jars, £16 19s. 7d.; Glass-cases, £1 5s. 6d.; Chemist and Spirits, £35 7s. 10d.; Carpenters' time and Timber, Glaziers' time, Glass and Paint, £53 12s. 3d.; Ironmonger, £6 15s.; Printing, £4 17s.; Washing, Fuel, &c., £4 19s. 5d.	
School	255 12 9
	This item includes—Laboratory expenses, £40; wages of 2 Porters, £81 10s.; School Advertisements, £31 10s.; Fuel, £11 13s.; Ironmongery, &c., £13 6s.; Painting and Glazing, £47 15s. 4d.; Plumbers' work, £10 17s.; Carpenters' work and Timber, £16 0s. 9d.; Towels, Rubbers, and Washing Allowance, £3 0s. 8d.	
Fire Insurance (amount for the year)	69 16 8
Surgical Society	50 0 7
	This item includes—Conversazione, £15; Reporting Meetings, £12; Printing Reports, £5; Advertising Meetings, £6 19s. 9d.; Hire of Lamps, £6 11s.; Hire of China, £1 14s. 4d.; Incidentals, £2 15s. 6d.	
Remuneration to Examiners	532 1 0
Repaid Candidates for Letters Testimonial (10)	210 0 0
Law Costs, for Scottish Universities' Commission	105 11 0
Busts of Drs. Cusack and Porter (Mr. Kirk, on account)	63 0 0
Salary of Secretary of Council	100 0 0
" Registrar	54 0 0
" Accountant	20 0 0
Retired Allowance to Doctor Hart	50 0 0
" " W. Boylan	30 0 0
Wages of House Servants	104 15 8
Lent on Mortgage to T. P. T. Bookey, at 4½ per cent.	10000 0 0
Total Expenditure from 6th April, 1861, to 5th April, 1862		£13,051 6 6
Balance on 5th April, 1862		866 15 1
		£13,918 1 7

LIBRARY.

*Report of the Library Clerk to the Council of the Royal College of Surgeons,
for the year ending 5th of April, 1862.*

GENTLEMEN,

I beg leave to report that 36 Journals and Transactions of Societies, and 134 other works, in all 170 volumes, have been added to the Library. During the past year 221 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. Woods, Hayden, Lerard, Clark, Smith, Gibb, and Rev. Professor Haughton.

The following donations have also been received:—"Transactions of the Medical and Physical Society of Bombay;" "Deaths in Bombay;" "London University Calendar, 1862;" "Australian Medical Journal;" "Report Army and Navy Medical Department, 1859;" "Proceedings of the Zoological Society of London, 1860-1;" "Journal of the Geological Society of Dublin;" "The Dublin Quarterly Journal of Science;" "Proceedings of the Pathological Society of Dublin;" "Discussion sur la Resection de la Hanche, par B. Larrey;" "Discussion sur la Tombe de M. Scrive, par B. Larrey;" "Transactions of the Royal Irish Academy," vol. 24, first part.

The number of readers in Pupils' Room during the past year has been 360; the number of books borrowed, 562.

PERIODICAL REPORTS OF THE COUNCIL.

The Periodical Reports of the Council, of which numerous copies now lie on the table, having been presented at meetings of the College, held in the months of September and January last, and circulated amongst the Fellows, your Council do not deem it necessary to include the various circumstances therein detailed in this Report.

At a Meeting of Council, held on December 20th, it was resolved:—

"That each Councillor who attends on summons at a Fellowship Examination be paid the sum of One Guinea."

At a Meeting of Council, held on January 17th, the Secretary of the College having reported that, at a Meeting of the College, held on January 13th, the following resolution was unanimously passed, viz :—

“That the opinion of eminent counsel be procured on the part of the Council, as to what steps shall be taken, on behalf of the Fellows, to render contumacious Licentiates amenable to the Bye-Laws.”

“That the Finance Committee be empowered to instruct the solicitor of the College to prepare a case, to be laid before eminent counsel, in accordance with the foregoing resolution of the College.”*

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION.

At a Meeting of Council, held on January 31st, the Second Report of the Education Committee having been taken seriatim into consideration, the following recommendations were agreed to, viz :—

No. 17—“That the age of Twenty-one be the earliest age at which any Professional License shall be obtained;” and

No. 18—“That four years of Professional Study be required, after the Examination in General Education,” with the proviso that the Student shall bring satisfactory proof that he has been engaged in the acquirement of professional knowledge for that period in such way as the Council shall, from time to time, approve.

PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATION.

That No. 19 Recommendation be agreed to, as amended, viz :—

“That the Professional Examinations be divided into at least two distinct parts; that the first be not undergone until after the termination of *three* years of study; and the final Examination not until after the termination of four years of study.”

*This important subject is still under consideration.

That No. 20 Recommendation be agreed to, viz. :—

“That the first Professional Examination be conducted partly in writing and partly *viva voce*; and that such parts as admit of it be made as practical and demonstrative as possible.”

That No. 21 Recommendation be agreed to, viz. :—

“That the second Examination be conducted partly in writing, partly *viva voce*, and practically, so far as may be convenient and attainable.”

At a Meeting of Council, held on February 7th, it was resolved :—

With regard to No. 22 Recommendation—“That the Professional Examinations be held by the several Licensing Bodies (except in special cases) at stated periods, to be publicly notified”—the Committee consider that, from the successful result of the mode of examination, which has hitherto been held publicly, solemnly, and upon two separate days, for the present it is not advisable to depart from it.

That No. 23 Recommendation be agreed to, viz. :—

“That returns from the Licensing Bodies under Schedule (A) be made annually, on the 1st of January, to the General Medical Council, stating the number and names of the Candidates who have passed their respective final Examinations, and the number of those who have been rejected.”

That No. 24 Recommendation be agreed to, viz. :—

“That it be recommended to all the Examining Boards that they should require from every Candidate for Examination before them, a statement, signed by himself, whether he has, or has not, been rejected within three months by any of the Examining Boards included in Schedule (A) of the Medical Act.”

At a Meeting of Council, held on February 14th, the Second Report of the Education Committee having been further considered, the following recommendation, for the appointment of a Special Court of Examiners for Preliminary Examination, was adopted :—

“Your Committee have also to report that, after careful consideration of the subject referred to them for inquiry, on the 15th November, 1861,

they recommend that an Ordinance be passed, to provide for the election of a Special Court of Examiners, to examine all Students desirous to pass an Examination in General Education, as recommended by the General Council of Medical Education, such election to take place on the first Tuesday in May, and in the same manner as the elections of the other Examiners are made, and subject to the same conditions, as laid down in the Charter and Bye-Laws; except in so far as they restrict the election to Fellows of the College, your Council being of opinion that any competent person should be chosen, not, however, excluding Fellows or Licentiates of the College."

At the same Meeting it was resolved that these Resolutions be referred back to the Education Committee, with instructions to prepare Ordinances in conformity with them.

At a Meeting of Council, held on March 28th, it was unanimously resolved that the following Ordinances, recommended for adoption by the Education Committee, be agreed to, viz. :—

"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 or printed questions, to be delivered to them in such manner as the Council may direct; and candidates, who so desire it, shall be permitted to give written answers to written or printed questions from the present date.

"On the first Tuesday in May in each year, or as soon thereafter as may be, the Council shall elect three Examiners to examine Students in General Education, and that the choice of such Examiners shall not be restricted to Fellows and Licentiates of the College."

At a Meeting of Council, held on April 10th, it was resolved :—

"That the Examiners appointed to examine Students as to their General Education, previous to registry, be remunerated for the discharge of that duty out of the fees paid by such Students."

ADDRESS OF CONDOLENCE TO HER MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY THE QUEEN.

At a Meeting of Council, held on 28th February, it was resolved :—

"That the following Address of Condolence, to her Majesty the

Queen, be adopted and forwarded, as by permission, to his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant for presentation."

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR MOST GRACIOUS MAJESTY,—We, the President and Council of the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland assembled, beg leave to offer your Majesty the expression of our loyal sympathy and profound sorrow for the bereavement your Majesty has sustained by the death of his Royal Highness the Prince Consort, who assisted in elevating the throne by the purity and dignity of his domestic life.

"To the Nation at large the death of the Prince Consort is an irreparable loss, and the subject of universal grief, and to institutions such as this College especially, a great misfortune, as no body of men in the community can be more sensible than we are of the blank left by the untimely death of him who took so successful and untiring an interest in the Arts and Sciences.

"It remains for us most earnestly to beg that your Majesty will be graciously pleased to grant us your sanction to place a marble bust of his Royal Highness the Prince Consort in our College, in token of our respect and admiration of his distinguished talents and blameless character, and in perpetuation of his memory."

To the foregoing Address the following reply was received:—

"Whitehall,

"20th March, 1862.

"SIR,—I have had the honour to lay before the Queen the loyal and dutiful Address of the Royal College of Surgeons, Ireland, on the occasion of the death of his Royal Highness the Prince Consort; and I have to inform you that her Majesty was pleased to receive the Address very graciously.

"I am, Sir,

"Your obedient servant,

"C. GREY.

"James Stannus Hughes, Esq., M.D.,
"Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin."

The Secretary of Council having been directed to address a letter to Sir Charles Grey, asking her Majesty's permission to have a marble copy

taken from one of the busts of his late Royal Highness the Prince Consort in the possession of the Royal family, received the following reply to that letter, viz. :—

“ Windsor Castle,

“ March 19th, 1862.

“ SIR,—I have had the honour of receiving your letter of the 14th inst., and, in reply, I have received her Majesty’s commands to say that her Majesty will have much pleasure in giving her sanction to a copy being taken, for the College of Surgeons in Ireland, of the last bust of the Prince Consort, executed by Mr. Theed.

“ I have the honour to be, Sir,

“ Your most obedient servant,

“ C. GREY.

“ J. S. Hughes, Esq.

CONVERSAZIONE.

At a Meeting of Council, held on April 4th, it was resolved :—

“ That an evening scientific meeting of the College be held in the month of April, and that his Excellency the Lord Lieutenant be invited to honour the College by his presence.”

In accordance with the foregoing resolution, an invitation was conveyed, by the President, to the Lord Lieutenant, and his Excellency having been pleased to name the 23rd of April, a conversazione was held on the evening of that day, to which a number of distinguished guests were invited to meet his Excellency.

THE GREAT INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION.

At a Meeting of Council, held on April 11th, it was resolved :—

“ That the President, on the part of the College, be requested to accept the invitation to be present at the opening of the great International Exhibition.”

BUST TO THE MEMORY OF HIS LATE ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE CONSORT.

At a Meeting of Council, held on April 17th, it was resolved :—

“ That Mr. Theed, the sculptor, be authorized to execute a marble bust of his late Royal Highness the Prince Consort for the sum of £105.”

REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COLLEGE ON THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL.

At a Meeting of Council, held on April 17th, it was resolved :—

“That on the first Tuesday in May the Council will proceed to elect a Representative to sit on the General Medical Council, from the 1st of June, 1862, to the 31st May, 1863.”

THE PROFESSORSHIP OF LOGIC.

At a Meeting of Council, held on 17th April, Dr. Murray having sent in his resignation as Professor in Logic, in order that he might become a candidate for one of the new Examinerships in Preliminary Education, it was resolved :—

“That Dr. Murray’s resignation be accepted; and also that the cordial thanks of the Council be given to him for the services rendered by him to the College, while engaged in the discharge of his duties as Professor.”

NATIONAL MEMORIAL IN IRELAND TO HIS LATE ROYAL HIGHNESS THE
PRINCE CONSORT.

At a Meeting of Council, held on May 2nd, it was resolved :—

“That a subscription of fifty guineas be paid to the Treasurer of the fund for the erection of a National Memorial in Ireland to the memory of the late illustrious Prince Consort.”

At a Meeting of Council, held on May 6th, the following letter was read :—

“18, Merrion-square, North,

“May 5, 1862.

“MY DEAR SIR,

“Having been elected a Fellow of the College of Physicians, I am obliged to resign my position as Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, and I therefore request you will lay this, my resignation, before the Council at its next meeting. I cannot take this step without expressing the deep regret I feel in vacating the seat in the Council with which I have been honoured since its foundation. I cherish with pride the re-

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collection that I have occupied two Professorships in the School of the College, and that I have enjoyed the highest honour the College can bestow—that of presiding over that distinguished body,—honours that shall be to me the brightest and dearest objects of reminiscence as long as I live.

“I rejoice that my separation from the more active duties of the College takes place at a time when it has reached the highest point of prosperity it ever enjoyed, and when it has every reason to anticipate a steady increase of fame and fortune,—when no external danger threatens and when unexampled peace reigns within. Were it otherwise, nothing could have induced me to absent myself from its ranks.

“The affectionate friendship with which I regard every member of the Council, and the numerous marks of consideration and kindness which I have received from them individually and collectively, render the present moment peculiarly painful.

“However, though absent in body, yet not in spirit.

“Believe me, yours very faithfully,

“THOMAS EDWARD BEATTY.

“James Stannus Hughes, Esq.,
“Secretary of Council.”

At the same Meeting it was resolved :—

“That this Council have received the resignation of Dr. Beatty with much regret; and cannot allow his separation from this College, in which he held for so many years an elevated, distinguished, and useful position, to take place, without expressing their feelings of sincere regret that a collegiate connection of so lengthened a period should now be severed; and the Council beg to assure Dr. Beatty that he carries with him the kindly sentiments of every member of their body.”

By order,

JAMES STANNUS HUGHES, M.D.,

May 6th, 1862.

Secretary to the Council.

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steady increase of fame and fortune—when no external danger threatens
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I believe me, yours very faithfully,
"Thomas EDWARDS DAVITT."

"James Stannus Hughes, Esq.,
Secretary of Council."

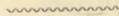
At the same meeting it was resolved—

That this Council have received the resignation of Dr. Healy with
much regret, and cannot allow his separation from this College, in which
he has for so many years an elevated, distinguished, and useful position
to take place, without expressing their feelings of sincere regret that a
collegiate connection of so lengthened a period should now be severed;
and the Council beg to assure Dr. Healy that the earlier with him the
kindly sentiments of every member of their body.

By order,
JAMES STANNUS HUGHES, M.D.

Secretary of Council
May 21st 1867

APPENDIX.



Since this Report was placed in the hands of the Printer, the Council held a Special Meeting, to elect a Representative of the College on the General Council of Medical Education and Registration for the ensuing year, when, a ballot having been taken, Dr. Hargrave was declared duly elected.

On the same day the following gentlemen were elected Examiners of the College in General Education for the ensuing year, viz. :—George F. Shaw, A.M., LL.D., F.T.C.D.; John Murray, A.M., LL.D.; Thomas Byrne, A.M., F.R.C.S.I.

MUSEUM.

The following Report of the Curator to the Council, for the year ending the 5th of April, 1862, has been received, but not till after the confirmation of this Report :—

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour of submitting the annual report for the Museum Department for the year ending the 5th of April, 1862. During that period the Museums were at all times available for study, and have been open to the public on 84 days, and to 2,141 visitors. 86 new preparations have been added to the collection, and 403 old ones repaired and renewed. This is a considerable increase over the number added to the collection in former years. The preparation jars have been secured in a superior manner, and the three Museums under Curator's care are now in as satisfactory a condition as their crowded state and the varying temperature of the Museums admit of. Donations have been received from Drs. Adams, Banon, Bevan, Battersby, Carte, Darby, Fleming, Geoghegan, M'Donnell, Hargrave, Hood, Jacob, Johns, Kirkpatrick, Kinahan, Labatt, Minchin, Morgan, Power, Porter, Stapleton, Sawyer, J. Sawyer, Tufnell, Woods; and Messrs. Good and Higginson.

APPENDIX

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