

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRIZE ESSAYS.**

DR. W. B. ATKINSON, *Secretary of American Medical Association.*

*Dear Sir:*—The committee appointed at the last meeting of the Association, by the Chairman of the Section on Practical Medicine, Physiology and Therapeutics, to examine essays that had been offered in competition for honor prizes, wish to report that, while certain of the essays showed considerable research on the part of the authors, no award was made, as it was thought that they did not fully meet the standard that should be required.

Respectfully submitted.

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**ROLL OF MEMBERS—OMISSIONS AND CORRECTIONS.**—The name of Leslie E. Tefft, M.D., of Elgin, Ill., should have been added to the roll of permanent members published in *THE JOURNAL*, of December 31, 1887, and the following corrections in regard to residences have been furnished to us: W. L. Downey, Vernon, Ill., should read *Wenona*, Ill.; W. G. Putney, Streator, Ill., should be *Prairie Center*, Ill.; A. Wetmore, Monroe, Ill., should be *Waterloo*, Monroe Co., Ill.; and the name of Albert Wing should be Elbert Wing.

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

DR. WILLIAM B. WILSON, of Flora, Ill., a well-known practitioner, died on January 19th. He was graduated from the University of the City of New York in 1852.

GUSTAV BERNUTZ, the distinguished French gynecologist, died at Sedan in December from chronic heart disease, the result of rheumatism. He left some valuable lectures in manuscript form, which will be soon published.

**PROPOSED OPIUM LEGISLATION.**—Secretary Fairchild has prepared a letter to Speaker Carlisle, showing the necessity for additional legislation to prevent the smuggling of opium, and recommending either a reduction of the duty on that commodity or its restriction altogether.

**SCHOOL HYGIENE.**—MM. F. Dubrisay and P. Yvon have just produced a work under the title of *Manuel d'Hygiene Scolaire*, in which all necessary information is given on the situation and arrangement of schools; the personal hygiene of school children; the prophylactic treatment of contagious or other diseases; the organization of dispensaries.

**LECTURES ON INEBRIETY.**—The President of the English Society for the Study of Inebriety, Dr. Norman Kerr, is to give the first course of medical lectures on the Disease of Inebriety and its treatment, in the hall of the London Medical Society, beginning Jan. 12, 1888. Dr. T. D. Crothers, of Hartford, Conn., has been invited to deliver two lectures on the same topic, before the Albany Medical College, Jan. 24 and 25, 1888. These will be the first medical lectures on inebriety, formally presented to Medical Societies or Medical Colleges, and will doubtless attract much attention.

DR. WESLEY M. CARPENTER, of New York, was found dead in his bed on the morning of January 7. He was born in 1839, and was graduated from the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York in 1863. Since 1872 he was connected with the *Medical Record*, and was one of the best medical journalists that this country has produced. His pleasant face was familiar to the members of every large medical organization in the country. He was Secretary of the New York Patholog-

ical Society and of the Medical Society of the County of New York, Corresponding Secretary of the New York Academy of Medicine, Acting Secretary of the Practitioner's Society of New York, Clinical Professor of Medicine in the Medical Department of the University of New York, and Editor of the *Quarterly Epitome of American Practical Medicine and Surgery.*

**NEW BOOKS RECEIVED.**

- Vierundsechzigster Jahresbericht der Schlesischen Gesellschaft für Vaterländische Cultur. 1886. Breslau.  
Zacharias Allert's Tagebuch aus dem Jahr 1627. Herausgegeben von Dr. Julius Krebs. Breslau.  
Anatomy, Descriptive and Surgical. By Henry Gray. Edited by T. P. Pick. New American from eleventh English edition, edited by Wm. W. Keen, to which is added Landmarks Medical and Surgical, by Luther Holden, with additions by Wm. W. Keen. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co. 1887.  
The Throat and Its Diseases, including Associated Affections of the Nose and Ear. With Engravings and Colored Illustrations. By Lennox Browne. Second edition, rewritten and enlarged. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co. 1887.  
Text-Book of Therapeutics and Materia Medica, intended for the Use of Students and Practitioners. By Robert T. Edes. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co. 1887.  
A Manual of Organic Materia Medica. By John M. Maisch. Third Edition. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co. 1887.  
600 Medical Dont's. By F. C. Valentine. New York: G. W. Dillingham.  
Fever Nursing. Designed for the Use of Professional and other Nurses, and especially as a Text-Book for Nurses in Training. By J. C. Wilson, A.M., M.D. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Co.  
Irregularities of the Teeth and their Treatment. By E. S. Talbot, M.D., of Chicago. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co. 1888. Chicago; W. T. Keener.

**OFFICIAL LIST OF CHANGES IN THE STATIONS AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS SERVING IN THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT U. S. ARMY, FROM JANUARY 7, 1888, TO JANUARY 13, 1888.**

- Capt. Louis S. Tuson, Asst. Surgeon, relieved from duty at Hdqrs. Div. of the Missouri, and as examiner of recruits at Chicago, Ill., and ordered for duty as Post Surgeon at Watervliet Arsenal, N. Y., relieving Capt. Henry G. Burton, Asst. Surgeon S. O. 5, A. G. O., January 7, 1888.  
Capt. Richards Barnett, Asst. Surgeon, ordered, from further duty in Division of the Atlantic, to duty at Ft. Riley, Kans., to take effect at the expiration of his present sick leave. S. O. 5, A. G. O., January 7, 1888.  
Capt. A. H. Appel, Asst. Surgeon, granted leave of absence for twenty days. S. O. 1, Dept. Missouri, January 3, 1888.  
First Lieut. Wm. B. Banister, Asst. Surgeon, ordered from Ft. Lowell, Ariz., to Ft. Wingate, N. M. S. O. 3, A. G. O., January 5, 1888.

**OFFICIAL LIST OF CHANGES OF STATIONS AND DUTIES OF MEDICAL OFFICERS OF THE U. S. MARINE HOSPITAL SERVICE FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 14, 1888.**

- Surgeon George Purviance, to proceed to Detroit, Mich., as inspector of unserviceable property. January 11, 1888.  
Surgeon H. W. Austin, when relieved, to proceed to Chicago, Ill., and assume charge of the Service. January 12, 1888.  
Surgeon J. M. Gassaway, leave of absence extended fifteen days. January 10, 1888.  
Surgeon C. B. Goldsborough, when relieved, to proceed to New Orleans, La., and assume charge of the Service. January 12, 1888.  
Surgeon Fairfax Irwin, to proceed to Boston, Mass., and assume charge of the Service. January 12, 1888.  
P. A. Surgeon H. R. Carter, when relieved, to proceed to Ship Island, Quarantine, Miss., and assume temporary charge of the Service. January 12, 1888.  
Asst. Surgeon P. M. Carrington, granted leave of absence for thirty days. January 10, 1888.