

shown that a regular elevation to the extent of only one degree occurring regularly at some time each afternoon or evening is almost invariable in cases of commencing tuberculosis. When this condition is suspected, therefore, it is of the utmost importance that the temperature should be regularly taken and charted.

Reflections

FROM A BOARD ROOM MIRROR.



H.R.H. PRINCESS CHRISTIAN, on the 19th inst., paid a visit to the "Hostel of St. Luke," at Nottingham Place, Marylebone, of which she is Patroness. Among the objects of the Hostel is the provision of medical and surgical treatment, and a Nursing Home for the Clergy of the Church of England, their wives, widows and children.

H.R.H. the Duchess of York has become the President of the Endowment Fund in connection with the Ladies' Association of the Great Northern Central Hospital, and has promised £20 towards the fund.

On November 18th, the Duke of Cambridge will preside at a Banquet in aid of the Building Fund of the Richmond Royal Hospital, at the Star and Garter, Richmond.

The Goldsmiths' Company have sent a grant of £100 to Queen Charlotte's Lying-in-Hospital, Marylebone Road.

The Fishmongers' Company have granted a donation of 50 guineas to the funds of the Royal Westminster Ophthalmic Hospital.

The winter season at Cairo will not begin until more satisfactory accounts are received of the health conditions of the neighbourhood. The annual exodus to the East is doubtless very delightful, but with cholera at Damietta and at Mausmah, a more healthful place than Cairo can easily be imagined.

Dr. Impey, the Medical Director of the South African leper colony on Robben Island, believes that when acute skin inflammation is set up in the case of a leprosy patient, the bacillus of leprosy is destroyed. He has just arrived in England, and for the next eight months will prosecute this theory in the leper colonies of Norway, Sweden and Russia.

Much dissatisfaction is expressed in Lee's at the delay which has been caused in the building of the new Fever Hospital there. Many months ago the plans were sent up to the Local Government Board for sanction, but nothing further has been heard of the matter. The approach of winter makes it impossible to get on with the work, so that the Hospital cannot be ready till the end of next year. Meantime every bed in the Hospital for Infectious Diseases is, and has for some time been full, and many sufferers from scarlet and other fevers, who should have been removed to Hospital, have been treated in their own homes.

The Monkwearmouth and Southwick Hospital reports that 4,150 cases were treated there during the last year, a contrast between the 460 cases which found relief in 1875, when the Hospital was in the first year of its life. The

Hospital is in pressing need of funds, not only to cope with its normal number of patients, which are chiefly accident cases from the "yards," but to allow of accommodation being provided for women and children, who cannot at present be treated as in-patients. The workmen's subscriptions constitute by far the larger proportion of the Hospital funds, but it is hoped, considering the vast amount of good done by the Institution, that the general public will come forward more generously.

It is interesting to receive Reports of Hospitals on "the other side of the world" and to compare notes of progress. The 18th Annual Report of the Hospital for Sick Children, Brisbane, Queensland, is an evidence of the excellent work done by our Australian cousins. Through the year the Hospital has been so crowded that an additional wing, which is shortly to be opened, is an absolute necessity. A special appeal for this enlargement was made to the State school children throughout the Colony, a separate appeal being sent to every school on the official list, and also to many private schools, with the splendid result of a sum of £472 13s. 6d. from young people anxious to help their suffering fellow-children. Miss Gillett, the Lady Superintendent, who has been taking a holiday in Europe, has taken back to Queensland much information regarding English Hospitals, which the Committee expects will be of great value.

Dr. Duclaux has been appointed Director of the Pasteur Institute, and Dr. Roux, Sub-Director.

The Annual Meeting of Fellows and Members of the Royal College of Surgeons of England will be held on Nov. 7th, at 3 p.m.

We have received the following sympathetic notice from an esteemed correspondent:—"The announcement of the death of Mr. Mark Morris, the well-known and highly popular Steward of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, will be received with regret by all who had the privilege of knowing him during their career at that Institution. His death deprives the Hospital of a most efficient and trusted officer, subjects his colleagues to the loss of a kind-hearted and true friend, and will cause a blank in the lives of many members of the Nursing Staff, to whom, as well as to the patients, he was always ready with such sympathetic help as it was in his power to render.

For the last 36 years Mr. Morris had held the important office of steward, his entire service in the Hospital, and previously in the medical school, having extended over more than half a century.

He has died at the age of 77 years, with an enviable record of long and faithful service, which secured for him the cordial esteem and goodwill of the governors, the medical and nursing staff, his colleagues, the students, and, indeed, of every one with whom he came into contact.

Influenza, from the effects of which he never thoroughly recovered, although he resumed his duties for a time, attacked him in the spring of the present year. Towards the end of last August he had a renewed attack of illness, and in the hope of recruiting his health he went to his native home, Devonport, five weeks ago; he relapsed, however, and succumbed on the 16th instant. He was buried at Devonport on Tuesday (the 22nd) the funeral being attended by Mr. W. H. Cross, the Clerk of the Hospital, who represented the Governors as a special mark of their regard, by Mr. John Langton, one of the surgeons, as representative of the Medical staff, and by Miss Greenstreet, Sister of Mark Ward. A memorial service was held in the Church of the Hospital on the morning of the same day."

Dr. Albert Ashmead, an American physician, believes that he has detected on the Mound pottery of the United

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