napkin, pinned in the form of a cone. It is at once beautifully clean and safe, when the ordinary metal inhalers smell of decomposing organic matter, saliva, mucus, &c., of previous patients."—Professor Priestley, of King's College, London, has been appointed to attend the Princess Louisa of Hesse, on her approaching confinement. — Mr. Spence has been appointed Professor of Surgery in the University of Edinburgh, in *lieu* of Professor Miller, deceased. Mr. Lister closely contested the chair.

The Queen has been graciously pleased to signify her intention to confer the decoration of the Victoria Cross on the undermentioned officers of her Majesty's army, whose claims to the same have been submitted for her Majesty's approval, on account of acts of bravery performed by them in New Zealand, as stated against their names, viz :-- Assistant-Surgeon William George Nicholas Manley, Royal Artillery, for his conduct during the assault on the rebel pah near Tauranga, New Zealand, on the 29th of April last, in most nobly risking his own life, according to the testimony of Commodore Sir William Wiseman, C.B., in his endeavor to save that of the late Commander Hay, of the Royal Navy, and others. Having volunteered to accompany the storming party into the pah, he attended on that officer when he was carried away mortally wounded, and then volunteered to return in order to see if he could find any more wounded. It is stated that he was one of the last officers to leave the pah. Assistant-Surgeon William Temple and Lieutenant Arthur Frederick Pickard, Royal Artillery, for gallant conduct during the assault on the enemy's position at Rangiriri, in New Zealand, on the 20th of November last, in exposing their lives to imminent danger in crossing the entrance of the Maori keep, at a point upon which the enemy had concentrated their fire, with a view to render assistance to the wounded, and more especially to the late Captain Mercer, of the Royal Artillery. Lieutenant Pickard, it is stated, crossed and recrossed the parapet, to procure water for the wounded, when none of the men could be induced to perform the service, the snace over which he traversed being exposed to a cross-fire; and testimony is borne to the calmness displayed by him and Assistant-Surgeon Temple under the trying circumstances in which they were placed.

The tables of mortality for September and October are unavoidably <sup>omitted</sup>. They will appear in our next.