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MEDICAL NEWS.

The number of medical students attending the London schools this year is 1022, being an increase of 41 over last year. At the Provincial schools there are over 241 students, being an increase of 2. — Dr. James A. Easton, Professor of *Materia Medica* in the Glasgow University, died recently of apoplexy. He was an able practitioner, and thoroughly conversant with *Materia Medica*. — John Moses Galignani, of Paris, has lately built and endowed at Paris an hospital for the English poor of that city. It contains twenty-five beds, and is placed under the direction of an English Sister of Charity. Two English surgeons have undertaken to give gratuitous attendance. — According to Professor Simpson, Messrs. Duncan, Flockhart & Co., the well known manufacturers of Chloroform in Edinburgh, prepare daily 7000 doses, — counting two drachms as a full dose—thus making 2,500,000 doses a year. — A surgeon's assistant lately poisoned a young lady at Salisbury, England. He subsequently committed suicide by drowning himself in a warm bath. — Dr. Littlejohn, of Edinburgh, warns the public against the use of "Pharaoh's Serpents," as they are called. These toys are compound of sulphocyanide of mercury. The inhalation of some of their products of combustion is highly dangerous; viz., cyanogen, sulphurous and sulphuric acids, bisulphide of carbon, and mercury in vapour. The mass left after combustion is organic matter called "mel-lor." — Dr. Hammond, late Surgeon General of the Federal Army, has gone to Europe, in charge of a grandson of the late John Jacob Astor, of New York. He receives for his services \$10,000 in gold for six months, with all his expenses paid, and should he be detained longer than the time specified, is to receive \$3000 per month for the remainder of the term employed. — Her Majesty has been pleased to confer the title of a Baronet of the United Kingdom on William Fergusson, Esq., F.R.S., Professor of Surgery to King's College, London.

The following are the only medical officers, in a list of those now living, who were present at the battle of Trafalgar:—Deputy Inspector General Peter Sutler, then surgeon of the *Swiftshure*; and surgeon P. Lyon, then assistant-surgeon of the *Royal Sovereign*.