

MEDICAL NEWS.

During the year 1858, 1205 cases of fracture were treated in the London Hospital.—Mr. Robert Chambers repudiates the authorship of "Vestiges of the Creation," ascribed to him in the catalogue of the British Museum.—The number of persons now known to have been poisoned by eating the lozenges with which arsenic was mixed at Bradford is 225, of whom eighteen have died. Five or six others are still suffering from the effects of the poison, and the recovery of two of them is doubtful. 136 of the poisoned were adults.—A tribe of aboriginies has been found in Australia presenting the remarkable peculiarity of being entirely without hair, neither males nor females having hair on their bodies at any period of life.—In the ascent of people called Nah-pih-shen near Manilla, parturient women are placed into a tub, into which water is poured, with the design of facilitating the accouchement.—There are five thousand practising dentists in the United States, who consume over two millions and a half of dollars in gold foil and plate.—Two gentlemen of Baltimore have recently taken out a patent for converting a mixture of pearl-ash, powdered sal ammoniac, lobelia, oil of anise and caraway, alcohol, grass, rape, rum, cascarrilla bark, opium, sumac, and stems or refuse of Tobacco, into sheets for wrapping woollen goods to prevent moth's from eating them, lining for cases of the same, and wrappers for cigars or tobacco.—Dr. R. B. Symmans of Brooklyn has been appointed by the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Dutch Church, a Missionary to Japan. Dr. S. Leaves a growing and remunerative practice in Brooklyn.—Chloroform has been administered *thirty thousand times* in the hospitals of London during the last ten years, for the performance of surgical operations.—A London car-doctor, who promised to "cure deafness in ten minutes" has been obliged to refund his fee, and committed to prison. The microscopists of Germany have entered into an arrangement by which once a year microscopical specimens takes place. At the last meeting, twenty-four microscopists were present, and 3000 preparations offered in exchange.—Some of the European journals are making merry over the fact that a woman has sent to the Academy de Medicine a *suspensorium scroti!* The inventoress submits it to the approval of the Medical faculty, assuring them that it is a master-piece. The suspensorium was sent back to this new expioress of terræ inroguitæ mulieribus.—The London Medical Times and Gazette for December last says, "Honours are falling thick on Sir Benjamin Brodie. Last week elected President of the Medical Council, this week President of the Royal Society, he stands in a higher position than any surgeon has ever attained before in this country."—"In my girlhood," said a lady to Roger's the poet, "I had a very severe illness, during which I heard Dr. Turston declare to my mother in the next room, that I could not live. I immediately called out, 'but I will live Dr. Turton?' and here I am now sixty years old.