

ical laws, he pointed out that the principles of successful treatment lay, not necessarily in supporting the weak or fallen arch of the foot by the Whitman or any other special form of plate, but rather in the direction of correcting faulty attitudes and faulty mechanism and thereby restoring normal function.

At the last meeting of the session we were fortunate in having present Baron Takaki, Medical Director of the Japanese Navy, who gave a most interesting address on the subject of Beri-Beri; his description of the disease, his views regarding its etiology and treatment, and his ultimate success in banishing the terrible scourge from the army and navy, was a fascinating story, told in a quaint manner and with pleasing directness and simplicity. The almost phenomenal results obtained by the medical service of the Japanese Army and Navy during the Russo-Japanese war, lent added interest to the Baron's address.

Through the kind invitation of the Medical Staff of the Royal Victoria Hospital, the Society had the pleasure of attending a special meeting at that institution. An extensive programme had been prepared and was ably carried out. An interesting series of living cases drawn from the general and special clinics was shown, and the pathological display formed a notable exhibition. Such a meeting cannot fail to have an especial attraction for the general practitioner who has but few opportunities of coming in contact with the work of a large hospital. Our members were also invited to attend the inaugural meeting of the Royal Sanitary Institute which was held in these rooms on February 14th, 1906, at which His Excellency the Governor General presided. It was a representative gathering and a number of important papers were presented.

We have to record with deep regret the loss which this Society has sustained by the death of Dr. Frank Buller who for many years was one of its most active members. In him we had the highest type of the physician; he was a candid enquirer after truth, and every subject which engaged his attention was approached with a directness and practicality characteristic of his strong personality. He knew the art as well as the science of medicine, and did much to advance them both, as he did to promote that happy cordiality and friendship which has so long existed among the members of our profession in this city. His portrait, and also one of the late Dr. F. W. Campbell, have recently been presented to the Society, and now adorn our walls.

Two years ago the retiring president, in his address, urged the importance of establishing a library upon a satisfactory basis, and also said,