

it for them. This we regret and apologize for. The articles were "The Dietary of Pulmonary Phthisis," by Dr. Loomis, page 36. "Shall patients eat what they crave," page 44. "The Milk Treatment," page 46. At page 32 same number, is an article on "The Treatment for the Vomiting of Pregnancy," which should be credited to the "Southern California Practitioner," published at Los Angeles.

SMALL-POX AT KINGSTON, JAMAICA.

Kingston, Jamaica, has been suffering from a severe epidemic of small-pox. On the 13th of October there was 362 cases under treatment, but under the energetic measures carried out by our friend Dr. James Ogilvie, the Health officer, the disease has been gradually declining. Under a late date Dr. Ogilvie writes us that in a few weeks the disease would be completely stamped out. Dr. Bronstorph (M.D. Bishops 1884) has been lecturing before the Young Men's Christian Association of Jamaica on small-pox and vaccination. His lecture was thought so well of, that the Association published it, and distributed it.

Lady Wilson, the widow of Sir Erasmus Wilson, died recently. The Royal College of Surgeons now becomes entitled to the legacy of \$1,000,000 left by Sir Erasmus.

The British Medical Association have decided to hold their annual meeting for 1887 in Dublin, and Dr. J. T. Banks, professor of Physiology in the University of Dublin, is the president-elect. The meeting will be held on August 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Some one has discovered certain points of similarity between a baby and a widower: he cries a great deal the first three months; after this he becomes quiet, and begins to notice; and it is with considerable difficulty that he is made to survive his second summer.

FORTY THOUSAND NEW DOCTORS IN TEN YEARS.

The *Medical Record* says that in the last nine years 103,598 persons have matriculated as medical students, and one-third of these, or 33,684, have become doctors of medicine. At this rate the total number of doctors for the decade will be

nearly forty thousand. For making these, the medical colleges must have received over twelve millions of dollars.

A CURIOUS WAGER.

The following is extracted from the *Indian Medical Journal* for July: "Two Mahometans in Hyderabad City made a curious wager the other day, which resulted in the death of one of them. The deceased accepted a challenge that he would stand facing the sun from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m. A certain day was appointed, when a large gathering assembled to witness the *tamasha*, as they styled it. The deceased took his stand, gazing at the sun from the agreed time up to 3 p. m., when suddenly he dropped, foaming from the mouth. Medical aid was soon summoned, but before assistance arrived life was extinct.

ON A MEANS OF RECOGNIZING THAT THE UMBILICAL CORD IS ROUND THE NECK OF THE CHILD.

Dr. F. R. Humphrys, in the *Brit. Med. Jour.*, says that in nearly all the cases of this occurrence he has come across, the mother has cried out, much the same as she would in the early part of the first stage of labor, and complained of sharp acute pain, which stands out in curious contrast with the bearing-down of the latter part of the second stage of labor (when the head is on the perineum), at which it is obscured. He has very rarely noticed this cry when the cord was not round the neck of the child.

TREATMENT OF INGROWING TOE-NAIL.

The *Philadelphia Medical Reporter* says that, Dr. Philip Miall writes to the *Brit. Med. Jour.* that he has for many years used tannin for ingrowing nails, and does not find rest necessary. A concentrated solution (an ounce of perfectly fresh tannic acid dissolved in six drachms of pure water, with a gentle heat) must be painted on the soft parts twice a day. Two cases recently had no pain or lameness after the first application, and went about their work immediately, which they could not before. After about three weeks of this treatment, the nail had grown to its proper length and breadth, and the cure was complete. No other treatment of any kind was used, though formerly he introduced lint under the ingrowing edge in such cases.