

MEDICAL NEWS.

The London Medical Record states that the late small-pox epidemic cost Dublin at least 35,000 pounds.

Dr. Joseph Pancoast has resigned the chair of Anatomy in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia.

TO REMOVE A PLASTER BANDAGE.—Soak the bandage in a solution of salt. The plaster crumbles. —[Clinic.]

Dr. Milton Jay, Professor of Surgery in the Bennett Eclectic Medical College, Chicago, reports a case of Fracture of the Femur (Chicago Med. Times) in which, after being treated twenty-nine days by extension, he found by actual measurement two inches elongation. It seems to us as though there was some stretching somewhere, either in the leg or the story. — [Buffalo Med. Journal]

The British Medical Association has increased its number of members from two to five thousand during the last ten years. This is mainly due to the influence of the British Medical Journal, which has a circulation of several hundred outside the association.

THE CHOLERA IN LONDON.

On Monday, 28th July, two cases of cholera occurred among a party of foreign emigrants who had been landed that day from a Hamburg vessel at Blackwall. The greater number of these emigrants, about 80 in number, had come from Copenhagen, by way of Kiel, and they consisted of natives of Sweden, Zealand, and Jutland, bound for New Zealand. They left Copenhagen on Tuesday, the 22nd July, by ship, and landed at Kiel. From Kiel to Hamburg they travelled by rail, receiving additions to their numbers, both at Kiel and Hamburg, and they reached Hamburg on the 24th. The additions were said to be all natives of Jutland. It is not known how the emigrants bestowed themselves at Hamburg, but on the 25th July they embarked on a vessel bound for London. This vessel sailed at 2 o'clock on the morning of Saturday the 26th, reached Blackwall at 4 o'clock on Monday morning the 28th July, not having touched at any port on the voyage.

Almost immediately after reaching Blackwall, and before leaving the ship, one of the emigrants, a Dane, forty-five years of age, was attacked with severe cramps in the belly. The emigrants, about two hours and a half after the ship's arrival, were taken to and distributed among several lodging-houses in Whitechapel, and the sick man and fifteen others were housed in a lodging-house in Queen street, near the Mint on Tower Hill. The cramp in the belly had been followed by vomiting and purging, and later in the day the matters evacuated became serous. Collapse supervened, the pulse ceasing, and the surface of the body becoming blue and cold. In the course of the evening there was almost a rally, reaction set in, but the purging continued, and the man remained in a very dangerous state.

About seven o'clock on the morning of the 28th, another of the emigrants removed to the lodging-house in Queen street, and just after they had reached it was suddenly seized with excruciating cramp in the belly. The patient was a girl of about twelve years of age, from Sweden, who had joined the emigrants at Copenhagen. The cramp was quickly followed by retching and collapse, and death occurred at 2 p.m. the same day, nine hours from the commencement of the attack. From beginning to end no urine had been passed, and the patient, although she spoke little, remained sensible. There had not been any purging or vomiting observed during life, but after death it was found that the clothes beneath her were soaked with a brown liquid.

The most energetic precautionary measures were at once adopted to prevent the spread of the disease. In addition to active measures of disinfection, steps were taken to collect together as quickly as possible the different members of the party of emigrants, in order that they might be isolated and placed under medical observation. Further, the party was to have joined a ship bound for New Zealand, which sailed from the Thames on Thursday, but they were prevented from doing so, and they will be kept isolated and under observation until all danger to themselves and others is removed. — [Lancet.]

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