

which possessed a gloss from friction in his pocket, not unlike that of ivory. This closed the ceremony. Hunter's life is so well known to our profession throughout the world, that I refrain from referring to his labours, a monument of which has been left by himself in the Museum of the College of Surgeons which will never be surpassed. A monument of another kind however, composed of pink granite from the quarries of Peterhead in Scotland, is to be erected near to the spot where now lies his remains, after a repose of 65 years in the church of St. Martins in the Fields. Whilst taking leave of Hunter, I must say a word of *Harvey*. I should not be surprised if in a short time the college of Physicians bestir themselves to collect the bones of Harvey for interment in the same venerable pile which contains those of his compeer Hunter. Harvey is buried in the village church of Memel, Hempstead in Essex, about 40 miles from town; his remains are beneath an elevated family pew, and any visitor to the place when shown the coffin of the immortal discoverer of the circulation of the Blood, hears the rattling of his bones by the sexton, as part of the ceremony of exhibition. I intend very shortly to visit the spot, and will give your readers an account of it on another occasion.

Since my last letter we have obtained a *Medical Reform Bill* which promises to work wonders in a little time. No person who is not registered according to the provisions of the "New Medical Act" as it is called, will be permitted to practice any branch of Medicine, nor even to assume the title of a physician, surgeon, or apothecary without prosecution. The 15th section provides for the registration of persons now qualified and of those who may hereafter become so. The fee demanded for registering the former, that is to say, all those who were qualified according to the provisions of the act *before* the 1st January of the present year is £2, and those who obtain their qualifications *after* that date £5. The various qualifications are enumerated in the schedule A of the Bill, and these comprise all the Universities and Colleges throughout Great Britain and Ireland. The eleventh and last clause of the schedule runs as follows, I give it entire because it interests Colonial Graduates:—

"Doctor of Medicine of any Foreign or Colonial University or College, practising as a Physician in the United Kingdom before the 1st day of Oct., 1858, who shall produce certificates to the satisfaction of the Council of his having taken his degree of Doctor of Medicine after regular examination, or who shall satisfy the council under section 45 of this Act, that there is sufficient reason for admitting him to be registered."