

## MEDICAL NEWS.

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Two very eminent men have just had conferred upon them, the honorable distinction of Associate to the Academy of Medicine of Paris; E. Lettiré and M. Isidore Geoffroy St. Hilaire. The former has obtained great reputation by his medico-philological works, especially by his translation of "Hippocrates," a perfect model of erudition and research. The latter is son to the great naturalist of the same name.—The Students of King's College, London, are exerting themselves to procure an amendment of the Anatomy Act, so as to effect a better supply of subjects. For this purpose they memorialised the four examining boards to use their influence with the government.—A curious case has lately been tried in Paris to secure damages for the infection of a young woman, a nurse, by an infant which she had received to suckle. The infant had an eruption on the face, which the medical attendant considered to be harmless; however, in about a fortnight, an eruption appeared about the nurse's nipple, which proved to be syphilitic, and the child subsequently died of the disease. The case having been clearly proved, the tribunal awarded to the nurse 8,000 francs in damages with the costs of the suit.—Influenza is very prevalent in St. Petersburg, Paris, Vienna and Berlin. In Berlin certain trials were obliged to be postponed, from the circumstance that out of twenty-four jury-men summoned more than twelve were prevented being empannelled by being confined to their beds.—The weather in Italy is reported to be unusually severe. The cold in Turin is so great, that a sentry is said to have been frozen to death at his post.—Sir Charles Mansfield Clarke, died at Brighton after a lingering illness, on the 7th September, in the 78th year of his age.—The Academy of Medicine, Paris, have elected M. Lavres as President, M. Cruvelhier, Vice-President, and M. Devergie, annual Secretary for the ensuing year. Mr. H. Dubois (d'Armiens) retains his post as Perpetual Secretary.—Several of the members of the London Pathological Society have presented Dr. Quain with a handsome silver salver as a testimonial in recognition of his able and courteous services as Honorary Secretary to the Society for the period of five years.—A peasant consulted a celebrated oculist about his eyes, and asked him (whom he found eating and drinking freely) "What shall I do for my eyes?" "Abstain from wine," said the Doctor. "But it seems to me," said the peasant, walking up to him, "that your eyes are worse than mine, and yet you drink!" "True," said the oculist, that is because I love to drink better than to get well.—Punch's counter-blast for Puffing:—

"My son, each rogue eschew  
Of the advertising pack,  
He's generally a Jew,  
Invariably a quack."

It appears from statements made by the "Medical Gazette" of Russia, that 382 medical officers attached to the Russian Army, died during the Crimean War. The actual number of such officers employed is not mentioned. In the French Army 550 surgeons went to the East, and 83 of these perished, viz. 1 in 6.