

the sale of stock and one or two other small items, would only leave a balance of £2,543 to be provided, and that they could borrow on the security of stock which was free from any trust.

A resolution was proposed by Sir John Paget, seconded by Dr. T. Buzzard, and carried unanimously, to the effect that a loan should be raised, with the consent of the Charity Commissioners, on the security of the Hospital's buildings and land. A discussion ensued as to what part of the Hospital's work would have to be discontinued in order to deal with future deficits, and Dr. Buzzard, in the course of a few remarks, said that it would appear to him, on the whole, desirable to close the Convalescent Home at Finchley, rather than to curtail the activities of the Hospital in any other direction.

EDITOR'S LETTER-BOX.

MEDICAL PRACTITIONERS AND HOSPITAL ABUSE.

To the Editor of THE HOSPITAL.

SIR,—Allow me to congratulate you on your leading article on "Medical Practitioners and Hospital Abuse." As a general practitioner of twenty years' standing (six years in London) I have maintained for many years that huge sums of money are squandered yearly by our hospital authorities, under the guise of charity, in London notoriously so. The out-patient departments are principally responsible for this annual waste, and yet the hospital authorities in their doleful annual wail for more money have the audacity to state how many thousands have been treated as out-patients, when they know, or at least ought to know, that an enormous percentage of those patients have unworthily assisted them in swallowing up funds that a generous but uninformed charitable public had provided for the needy poor. I am glad to notice from your leading article that Battersea is to the front in actual reform. My remedy for hospital abuse is in a nutshell, very much as you put it. "Let no one be treated in the out-patient department (except emergency cases) without a recommendation by a doctor." Might I suggest that your leading article should be reprinted in pamphlet form and circulated amongst the Governors of the various hospitals? Yours etc. Stepany.

J. MARSHALL.

MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS.

S. Jervois Aarons, M.D.Edin., M.R.C.P.Lond., Pathologist and Curator of the Museum Hospital for Women, Soho Square, W. Frank Barnes, M.B., B.S.Lond., F.R.C.S.Eng., Honorary Surgeon to the Royal Orthopædic and Spinal Hospital, Birmingham. Thomas R. Bradshaw, R.A., M.D.Dubl., F.R.C.P.Lond., Physician to the Liverpool Royal Infirmary, appointed Examiner in Medicine in the University of London. T. Coogan, M.B., Ch.B.Vict., Junior Resident Assistant Medical Officer, Chorlton Union Workhouse. William Henry Davis, M.B., B.Ch.R.U.I., House-Surgeon to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. D. L. Davies, M.D., Medical Officer of Health, Wisbech Rural District. Arthur L. Flemming, L.R.C.P., M.R.C.S., Anæsthetist, Royal Infirmary, Bristol. George T. Gifford, M.D.Durh., M.R.C.S. Eng., Honorary Assistant-Surgeon to the Blackburn and East Lancashire Infirmary. S. T. Irwin, B.A., M.B., Ch.B., Surgical Registrar to the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. Hugh Lett, M.B., Ch.B.Vict., F.R.C.S., Assistant Surgeon to the Belgrave Hospital for Children. Frederic T. B. Logan, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.,

Medical Officer to Post Office (Bishopsworth Division), and Medical Officer under Elementary School Teachers (Superannuation) Act, 1898. M. M. Lyons, M.B., Health Officer for the Shire of Tungamah, Victoria. F. W. A. Margarey, M.D.Syd., Honorary Assistant-Surgeon to the Adelaide Hospital. William Moir, M.B., Health Officer for the Shire of Mirboo, Victoria. M. K. Moss, M.B., B.S.Melb., Junior Resident Medical Officer, Perth Public Hospital, West Australia. Arthur G. E. Naylor, L.R.C.P., Health Officer for the Shire of South Gippsland, Victoria. M. Ogilvy-Ramsay, M.D., F.R.C.S., Surgeon to the Cumberland Infirmary. Cecil E. Shaw, M.D., M.Ch.R.U.I., Lecturer in Ophthalmology in Queen's College, Belfast. Gerard C. Taylor, M.D.Cantab., D.P.H., County Medical Officer of Health for Berkshire. J. Thomson, M.B., Ch.B.Aberd., Medical Officer, Earlswood Asylum, Redhill.

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Medical and Administrative Appointments.

THE HOSPITAL FOR SICK CHILDREN, GREAT ORMOND STREET, LONDON, W.C.

Notice is hereby given that the office of RESIDENT MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT will become vacant on December 18th, 1904.

Candidates for this post are invited to send in their applications addressed to the Secretary, with copies of not more than three testimonials given specially for the purpose, on or before 12 o'clock on WEDNESDAY, December 7th, 1904.

Candidates must be registered medical practitioners, and must have held a responsible hospital appointment.

The appointment is made for one year, but may be held, subject to annual re-election, for a period of three years.

Salary 100 guineas per annum, with Board and Residence in the hospital, and £5 washing allowance.

All candidates must be present and appear before the Joint Committees at their meeting on Thursday, December 8th, 1904, at 5 p.m. precisely.

Forms of application and copy of rules may be obtained from the Secretary.

By order of the Managing Committee,

JAMES MCKAY, Acting Secretary.

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November 8th, 1904.

ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL, CAMBRIDGE.

SECRETARY-SUPERINTENDENT WANTED.

He will be required to live close to the Hospital, and to devote his whole time and energies to its service. He will be responsible for all secretarial business, for the keeping of the accounts, for the collection and increase of subscriptions, and for the order and general administration of the Hospital in all matters except the medical and surgical treatment of patients.

He will be required to find security for £500.

He will be paid a commencing salary of £250 per annum. Clerical assistance will be given.

It is desirable that he should commence his duties on the 26th December, 1904.

All applications, which should be accompanied by not more than three testimonials, must reach the Secretary not later than the 3rd December, 1904.

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JOHN BONNETT, Secretary.

23 St. Andrew's Street, Cambridge.

November 16th, 1904.

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