

THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGY AND SYPHILOLOGY.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING.

A SUCCESSFUL and well-attended meeting of the above Association was held in Glasgow on Friday 11 July and Saturday 12 July 1941, under the Presidency of Dr. W. H. Brown. Avitaminosis, the principal subject, opened by Prof. McNee and Dr. G. W. Bamber, provoked an interesting discussion in which members and visitors took part. On Friday afternoon Dr. Alan Lendrum gave a demonstration of his microscopic sections of glomangioma, and exhibited Sir Robert Muir's original specimens illustrating Paget's disease, lent by him for the occasion. A series of interesting cases and photographs were also inspected and discussed. In the evening the Annual Dinner was held at the University Club. The meeting was continued on Saturday morning, when the number of papers and their importance called for an extension of time beyond the usual hour. It is proposed to hold the next meeting in 1942 in London.

The following Officers and Members of Committee were duly elected :

President : Dr. H. MacCormac.

Hon. Treasurer : Dr. A. M. H. Gray.

Hon. Secretary : Dr. H. W. Barber.

Editor : Dr. W. N. Goldsmith.

Asst. Editors : Dr. H. W. Gordon and Dr. G. W. Bamber.

Ordinary Members of Committee :

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Dr. H. C. Semon, Dr. A. Burrows, Dr. R. Klaber, Lt.-Col. C. B. M. Heggs, R.A.M.C., and Dr. John Franklin.

Provinces.

Dr. R. Stopford-Taylor, Dr. F. Hellier, Dr. P. B. Mumford, and Dr. Alice B. Carleton.

The Association is particularly indebted to the Western Infirmary,

and to the University Club, for the hospitality generously provided for the Association and its members and guests.

NOTICE.

WE regret to record the death of Dr. George H. Belote, Assistant Professor of Dermatology and Syphilology at University Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan, since 1929.

BOOK REVIEW.

AN INTRODUCTION TO DERMATOLOGY.*

THE outstanding feature of this, the fourth edition of a now established text-book, is the excellence and abundance of the illustrations. There is hardly one of the familiar dermatoses, which is not depicted, either clinically or histologically, by a photographic record of carefully selected and typical examples. Such liberality cannot but make its special appeal to students and practitioners who have neither the time nor the opportunity for the memorization of the actual cases, on which the ability for correct interpretation and diagnosis will always depend. A further attraction in this edition, of particular value to the dermatologist or the prospective writer or investigator, is an up-to-date bibliography in the form of an Appendix, arranged collaterally with the 24 chapters composing the book.

Among the metabolic dermatoses, such as xanthoma, necrobiosis lipoidica diabetorum, amyloidosis, acromegaly, etc., the authors have included a section on avitaminosis, and its more or less accepted relationships with such conditions as pellagra, beri-beri, scurvy and certain types of glossitis, stomatitis and perlèche. Vitamin A deficiency (or *phryno-derma*, when the skin is affected), receives a new recruit in the shape of an eruption resembling keratosis pilaris, well illustrated in Figs. 170-172. These cases occurred among Chinese soldiers with simultaneous or subsequent xerophthalmia, and cannot at present be correlated with the dyskeratosis of Darier's disease, although, even in this, improvement or

* *An Introduction to Dermatology*. By RICHARD L. SUTTON, M.D., F.R.S.Edin., and RICHARD L. SUTTON, jun., M.D., Emeritus Professor and Assistant Professor of Dermatology respectively, University of Kansas. Fourth edition. St. Louis: The C. V. Mosby Co. London: Henry Kimpton, 1941. Pp. 904. 725 illustrations. Price 45s.

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