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## THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF DERMATOLOGY AND SYPHILOLOGY.

The eighth Annual Meeting of the Association was held at Oxford on July 12th and 13th, 1928, under the presidency of Dr. Ernest Mallam.

On the morning of July 12th, after the Annual Business Meeting, an introductory address was given by Sir Farquhar Buzzard, Regius Professor of Medicine of the University of Oxford. Prof. Joseph Jadassohn then delivered an address entitled "Some Remarks on Tuberculin." In the afternoon a series of interesting cases were exhibited by Dr. Mallam, Dr. Alice Charlton, Dr. Douglas Heath and Dr. Avit Scott at the Radcliffe Infirmary.

On July 13th a general discussion on "The Eczema-Asthma-Prurigo Complex" was opened by Dr. Cranston Low (Edinburgh), followed by Dr. J. A. Drake (London) and Dr. H. W. Barber (London). In the discussion which followed, Dr. Sack (Baden-Baden), Prof. Jadassohn (Breslau), Sir Norman Walker (Edinburgh), Dr. Arthur Whitfield (London) and Dr. A. M. H. Gray (London) took part.

In the afternoon session Dr. Arthur Whitfield read a paper on "The Histology of Paget's Disease," and Dr. H. MacCormac (London) on "Some Observations on the Distribution of the Eruption in Eczema." Dr. Svend Lomholt (Copenhagen) gave a description, illustrated by diagrams and models, of the new type of Finsen lamp advised by him.

Dr. Ferguson Smith (Glasgow) read a paper on "The Staphylococci of the Skin," and Dr. A. M. Davidson (Winnipeg) described a case of "Congenital Dystrophy of the Hair and Nails."

These papers were discussed by various members present.

The Association are deeply indebted to the President and Fellows of Magdalen College for kindly allowing them to lodge in the College during the meeting. They are also indebted to Prof. Peters for placing the Lecture Room of the Bio-Chemical Department of the University at their disposal for the meeting.

The Annual Dinner was held in Magdalen College Hall on the evening of Thursday, July 12th, and guests included Sir Farquhar Buzzard, Prof. Jadassohn, Prof. Peters and Dr. Lomholt.

It was decided to hold the ninth Annual Meeting in Glasgow in 1929 under the Presidency of Dr. J. Goodwin Tomkinson. Dr. J. Ferguson Smith has been appointed local secretary for the meeting.

The following have been elected as Executive Committee for 1928–1929: President, Dr. J. Goodwin Tomkinson; Hon. Secretary, Dr. J. M. H. MacLeod; Hon. Treasurer, Dr. H. G. Adamson; Editor, Dr. A. M. H. Gray; Assistant Editors, Drs. J. A. Drake and A. C. Roxburgh. Ordinary members of Committee: Dr. H. W. Barber, Sir Robert Bolam, Dr. W. Griffith, Dr. H. Haldin-Davis, Dr. G. H. Lancashire, Dr. R. Cranston Low, Dr. E. Mallam, Dr. H. C. Semon and Dr. A. Whitfield.

## ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE. SECTION OF DERMATOLOGY.

A MEETING of the Section of Dermatology was held on March 15th, 1928, Dr. J. M. H. MacLeod (President) in the Chair.

Dr. W. J. O'Donovan showed a case of exfoliative dermatitis with general pigmentation. H. R—, aged 61 years, general labourer, married. Wife alive and well. Three children; two well; a third had chronic rheumatism.

Family history.—No miscarriage or skin-disease. Patient was abstemious; denied venereal disease. His skin was quite clear until the age of 25, when an attack of redness and scaling affected his face, ears and feet. After a month's in-patient treatment in Reading Hospital he returned to work, and remained well except for rare attacks of influenza with abdominal pains and diarrheea.

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