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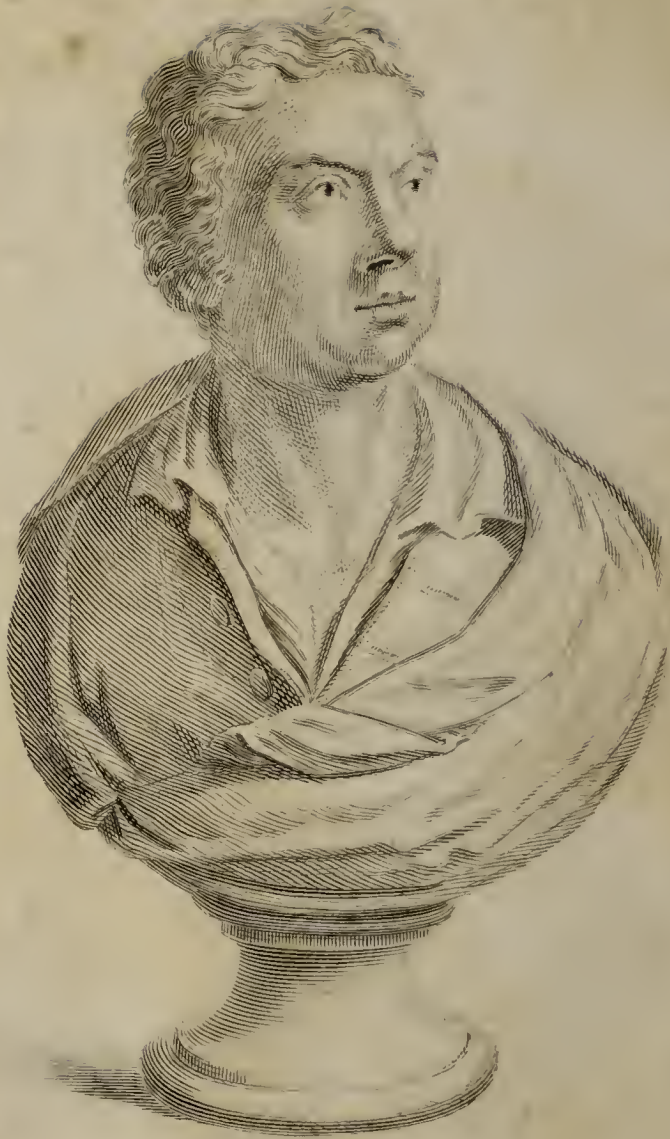
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EDWARD JENNER, M.D. L.L.D. F.R.S.

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Royal Jennerian Society,
FOR THE
EXTERMINATION OF THE SMALL-POX,
BY THE
EXTENSION of VACCINATION.

PATRONISED BY THEIR MAJESTIES,
AND THE
ROYAL FAMILY.

FOUNDED IN 1803,
AND
SUPPORTED BY VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS.

“Thou shalt not be afraid for the pestilence that walketh in darkness;
nor for the destruction that wasteth at noon day.” *Psalm xci. 5, 6.*



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*Doctor Jenner's Dedication of his Inquiry into the Causes and Effects of the
Variolæ Vaccinæ.*

TO THE KING.

SIR,

When I first addressed the Public on a Physiological subject, which I conceived to be of the utmost importance to the future welfare of the human race, I could not presume, in that early stage of the investigation, to lay the result of my Inquiries at your Majesty's feet.

Subsequent experiments, instituted not only by myself, but by men of the first rank in the medical profession, have now confirmed the truth of the theory which I first made known to the world.

Highly honoured by the permission to dedicate the result of my Inquiries to your Majesty, I am emboldened to solicit your gracious patronage of a discovery which reason fully authorises me to suppose will prove peculiarly beneficial to the preservation of the lives of mankind.

To a Monarch, no less justly than emphatically, styled the Father of his People, this Treatise is inscribed with perfect propriety; for, conspicuous as your Majesty's patronage has been of Arts, of Sciences, and of Commerce, yet the most distinguished feature of your character is your paternal care for the dearest interests of humanity.

*I am, Sir,
with the most profound respect,
Your Majesty's most devoted
Subject and Servant,*

EDWARD JENNER.

Berkeley, Gloucestershire,

Dec. 20, 1799.

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UNDER THE

Presidency of His Grace

THE DUKE OF NORTHUMBERLAND,

Earl Percy, Lucy, Paynings, Fitz-Payne, Bryan, and Latimer,
Baron Warkworth, &c. &c. &c.

AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNORS

OF THE

Royal Jennerian Society,

Holden at the Society's Central Station, Union Court, Holborn
Hill, on WEDNESDAY, the 17th of May, 1820,

DR. DARANCETTE,

of the Faculties of Edinburgh and Paris, Member of the Medical
Council, &c. &c. &c. in the Chair.

The Minutes of the last General Court were read and approved.

The Minutes of the Board of Managers were read and confirmed.

The Annual Report was read, approved of, and ordered to be printed,
under the direction of the Managers.

REPORT.

THE ROYAL JENNERIAN SOCIETY, formed under the gracious protection of the House of Brunswick, had but lately to lament the loss, by death, of their Royal Patroness; and now it falls to their lot to record the grave event of the death of their late Reverend Sovereign and beloved Patron.

A Vice-Patron, also, of the Royal Family, the unwearied advocate of every Institution, shedding benefits on those who lacked help, has been numbered with the Dead.

**The Remains of the late Duke of Kent,
with those of his Revered Father,
have been committed to the Silent Grave.**

The recollection of the deep afflictions, the grave and inevitable visitations of grief, which have latterly borne so heavily on the Royal House that so graciously condescended to patronise the Society, formed and supported by voluntary contributions, for the protection of every subject, for the diffusion of benefits to every land, affords sufficient cause for the Society's recurrence to them, in this their Annual Report, addressed to every Governor, and to the Public at large.

There was never, perhaps, a grief, however poignant, more genuine and affecting, a lamentation, however loud, more universal and sincere, than that excited by the removal, from the stage of life, of the lovely and beloved Hope of the Nation, our Vice-Patroness, the late Princess Charlotte, sinking under the most heart-rending sufferings an example of resignation.

And of the 'fine mind' of another Vice-Patroness of this Royal Institution, for the lessening of human sufferings; of her noble appreciation even of

the blessing of freedom, for the support of which her Family was called to the Throne, and which it is the pride of her August House to have sustained—of the fine mind of the late Princess Amelia, let the Governors receive the following well authenticated testimony.

John Walker, M.D. Director of the Royal Jennerian and London Vaccine Institutions, to the Editor of the New Monthly Magazine.

“ In offering to thee the enclosed beautiful moral stanzas for publication, depicting the fine mind of a late Princess, I think it right to shew thee and thy readers that they are genuine. A worthy widow of my acquaintance visiting the physician (Dr. Pope) at Staines, whose solicitude and whose indefatigable attention to the deceased, during her last illness, were such as to win him the esteem of the whole Royal Family, (every individual of them expressing that esteem to the Doctor by presents, as marks of *reconnoissance*,) these verses, presented to the Doctor by one of the sisters (the Princess Mary), were read to the widow, and she obtained a copy of them. I admired them much on her shewing them to me, and wished much to give them publicity. A copy of them I have now the pleasure of addressing to thee for that purpose.

“ Bond Court, Walbrook, 13, ix, 1815.”

“ J. W.”

Unthinking, idle, wild, and young,
 I laugh'd, and danc'd, and talk'd, and sung;
 And, proud of health, of freedom vain,
 Dream'd not of sorrow, care, or pain;
 Concluding, in those hours of glee,
 That all the world was made for me.

But when the hour of trial came,
 When sickness shook this trembling frame,
 When folly's gay pursuits were o'er,
 And I could dance and sing no more,
 It then occur'd how sad 'twould be,
 Were this world only made for me. **AMELIA.**

The continuance of the Smallpox, that excrescence of the finest part of the British Constitution, of the right of the individual to determine for himself and his family, on the affairs of their health as well as on their spiritual concerns, it is to be lamented is not yet eradicated from all the mansions of the motley population of this metropolis.

In France, the heads of schools were subjected, by Napoleon, to fines, if they received scholars into their establishments unprotected from the Smallpox; and the punishment is continued.

In the populous cities of Berlin, Vienna, Munich, and Milan, the pestilence of Smallpox has been completely subdued by Royal Ordonance, by municipal regulations, and magisterial vigilance.

To the Governors of the London Vaccine Institution.

“In the year 1818, on the 13th of Nov. the natural pox broke out in the vicinity of this place, and upon orders from the Governor to me, to inoculate all those persons, in my district, which had not been vaccinated before, I immediately went into the country, but being in possession only of the matter sent to me from our provincial physician, I could not bring it to that satisfactory result as I wished; but immediately, when I was supplied with the London Vaccine matter, that your most Honourable Gentlemen sent to me, I renewed my inoculation, and found, to my greatest satisfaction, that every child which I vaccinated got the real Cowpox, by which occasion I freed a great number of children from the contagion of the Smallpox, notwithstanding many of the children were surrounded by and cohabiting in the midst of the infection; and there has never occurred one case of infection of those who have been vaccinated by me (a new proof of the Jennerian discovery). I have the honour, Honourable Gentlemen, with the highest respect, to be

“Your most obedient Servant,

“W. IER REEHORST.”

“Authorised Surgeon for the Town of Fahrsund

“and the vicinity, late first Surgeon in the

“Dutch Navy, Hon. Mem. of the Lon. Vac.

“Inst.

“Fahrsund, Norway,

“Marts 16, 1819.”

“ Dronou, June 14, 1819.

“ We consider it also our duty to inform you, that the vaccination has been carried on in this country for a space of years, and that our Government has done all that laid in its power, for the purpose of bringing it into common practice, by ordering that no child must be admitted to school, and no person to be married, before he prove, by a certificate from a physician, that he had been vaccinated.

“ JOH. CH. FRIMAN, M.D.
“ Phys. Aur.”

“ A. PROET,
“ Chir. Milit.”

FROM DOCTOR THEM MEN.

“ Amsterdam, March 22, 1819.

“ In 1800, about 2000 patients died of the Smallpox, in the city of Amsterdam.

“ In 1803, an institution, for the gratuitous inoculation of the lower class, was established by me; and mostly, in consequence of it, the Smallpox annually decreased, so that, in 1815, only fifty-nine, and, in 1816, no more than three individuals died of that malady. By the progress we had made, it was fondly hoped, that one of the most dreadful calamities which afflict mankind should very soon be expelled from Amsterdam. But, in 1817, thousands of Swiss emigrants having come hither on their way to America, and their children being infected with the Smallpox, and running with it through all the town, the contagion spread with the rapidity of lightning through the whole city, and more than a thousand fell victims to that horrible pestilence.

“ The Institution now acts with redoubled vigour, and we receive the cordial co-operation of the Magistrates, and many obstinate prejudices have been entirely eradicated. Our schools are shut to all who can give no certificate that they either have had the Smallpox, or have been vaccinated. No assistance is given to the poor, whose children have not undergone vaccination, or can give a proof that they have had the Smallpox; and we flatter ourselves again, that the period is not distant, when that sovereign antidote against the most dreadful of all disorders shall, universally, be adopted in this populous city.

“ In the mean time, as a testimony of Royal approbation of my zeal and labours in this work of benevolence, our king has raised to the Knighthood of the Netherlands Lion, Sir,

“ Your most obedient humble Servant,

“ P. H. THEM MEN.”

“ Dr. Walker, Vaccine Institution, London.”

“ Amsterdam, March 20, 1820.

“ DEAR SIR,

“ By my last communications, I informed you of the alarming progress of the Smallpox, which was intro-

duced here by Swiss emigrants, and of the zealous exertion of the Vaccine Institution to stop that desolating calamity.

“ You will now, I dare say, rejoice to see, by the following statement, that the Smallpox is again on its extinction in Amsterdam. During the first six months of 1818, two hundred and fifty individuals died of that disorder in this city; from the 1st of January, 1819, till the 1st of October, only sixteen; and, from that period, till the 1st of January, 1820, not one individual lost his life of that malady in Amsterdam.

“ Our efforts are unremitting, and it is at once a source of gratification, and an encouraging pledge of the total annihilation of the Smallpox here, that not one single case has occurred, in this populous city, of an individual who has been infected with that pestilential disorder, after his vaccination has been attested, as having had its regular course, by our Institution. With true regard, I remain, dear Sir,

“ Your most obedient humble Servant,

“ PHŒBUS HITZERUS THEMME, M.D.

“ Knight of the Order of the Netherlands Lion.”

In the great work of humanity, the extending of vaccination to the remotest parts of the world, Charles, the late king of Spain, has distinguished himself more than all the other governors of the earth. In order effectually to convey and secure the blessings which the discovery held forth, to his subjects in the New World, he ordered an expedition to be fitted out expressly for the purpose. It sailed from Corunna, Nov. 20th, 1803, under the direction of Dr. Francis Xavier Balmis, Surgeon extraordinary to the King, and several other Members of the Faculty, carrying with them 22 children, who had never undergone the Smallpox, for the purpose of keeping up a series of inoculations, and effectually preserving the vaccine virus during the voyage. The expedition made the first stoppage at the Canary Islands, the second at Porto Rico, and the third at the Caraccas. Through the extensive tracts of North America to the coasts of Sonora, Sinaola, and even to the Gentiles and Neophytes of High Pimeria, the benefits of this philanthropic mission were extended. In each capital a council was instituted, composed of the principal authorities, and the most zealous members of the faculties.

The object of the voyage being thus far accomplished in America, it was the next care of the Director to carry his part of the expedition from America to Asia; which voyage he performed in little more than two months, carrying with him, from New Spain, 26 children, (many of them infants,) destined to be vaccinated as before. The expedition having arrived at the Philippines, and Dr. Balmis having concluded his commission,

concerted with the Captain-general the means of extending the beneficence of his sovereign to the remotest confines of Asia.

Into the most ancient empire of the world, among the people the most averse from any thing like innovation, he happily succeeded in introducing this preservative against the malady which had heretofore been so fatal to them, both in their immensely-populous cities and highly-cultivated districts, and in their remote provinces.

“The result of this expedition has been,” says the Madrid Gazette of October 14th, 1806, “not merely to spread the vaccine among all people, whether friends or enemies; among Moors, among Visayans, and among Chinese; but also to secure to posterity, in the dominions of his majesty, the perpetuity of so great a benefit, as well by means of the Central Committees that have been established, as by the discovery which Balmis made of an indigenous matter in the cows of the valley of Atlixco, near the city of Puebla de los Angeles, in the neighbourhood of that of Valladolid de Machoacan, where the Adjutant Antonio Gutierrez met with it; and in the district of Calaboza, in the province of Caraccas, where Don Carlos de Pozo, physician of the residence, found it.”

The number vaccinated, during the expedition, was no less than 230,000.

Seven Hundred and Twelve persons have fallen victims to the Small-pox, in London, within the Bills of Mortality, during the last year.

And it is not in the metropolis alone, that infatuated people still cling to their prejudices, as the following extracts from the letters of a worthy clergyman, and of intelligent surgeons, very fully prove.

FROM THE REV. MR. SELBY.

“Groton, near Boxford, Oct. 12, 1819.

“DEAR SIR,

“I have been honoured with the Diploma of your very humane and invaluable Society, for which I beg leave to return you my most sincere thanks; be assured that I will endeavour to merit this mark of your favourable distinction, by doing all in

my power to promote vaccination, wheresoever Providence may be pleased to place me.

“ Since I had the pleasure of seeing you, I have been in various parts of the kingdom, and am now minister of this parish, where I shall most likely remain. The Smallpox has caused dreadful havoc in this and the adjacent county; and, in the city of Norwich, more than 500 persons have perished by it within the last three months. In my last accounts from that place more than 20 per week were swept off by that horrible pestilence.

“ So many deaths, from the same cause, have alarmed the families in this vicinity, and they are all eager to be vaccinated. I therefore beg you will direct an ample packet of the virus to be sent to me IMMEDIATELY.

“ I am, with very good and kind wishes for your welfare,

“ Dear Sir, respectfully yours,

“ CHARLES B. SELBY.”

“ To Dr. Walker,

“ Bond Court, Walbrook, London.”

FROM WM. COOPER, ESQ. SURGEON.

“ Martham, near Great Yarmouth, Dec. 9, 1819.

“ The Smallpox is making its visit throughout the respective parishes in this district, and two cases in my practice have terminated fatally:—these persons obstinately refused the ANTIDOTE. Vaccination has been very generally adopted in this neighbourhood, and nearly two thousand persons have undergone the vaccine process within the last twelve months in this district. Not a single case of failure has taken place out of all these; what further proof of its utility can we require than this affords? There are two medical men, within a short distance, who have inoculated great numbers for the Smallpox, of whom some have died. What a pity it is that there is, as yet, no law to prevent so inhuman a practice!

“ I must not fail to thank you for an unexpected supply of ichor which came very seasonably.”

To Dr. Walker, Bond Court, Walbrook, London.

“ North Walsham, Norfolk, May 8, 1820.

“ SIR,

“ I take the liberty of applying to you for some Ichor. The variolous disease has made its appearance in this part of the country, and I have it not in my power to obtain Vaccine Ichor from any professional man in Norwich, or the neighbourhood in which I reside.

“ Now I am writing upon the subject of vaccination, I cannot omit the opportunity of observing, that the last Annual Report of the establishment, of which you are so prominent a member, is at once *consoling* and *convincing*. I have been a zealous promoter of vaccination from its first introduction by Dr. Jenner, with whom I had the honour of corresponding upon some points connected with the new practice, about the year 1802, or 1803. Amongst others, a doubt existed in my mind, whether the disease was *invariably* communicated from one Cow to another by the Virus being conveyed *externally* upon the fingers of the milker, or whether the latter received the disorder into his constitution, and subsequently infected other cows from his own person; and also, whether the disease suffered any diminution in its preventive character, by this secondary inoculation, and *vice versa*.

“ From the vesicle on the arm of a young patient, I inserted some Ichor into the teats of a barren cow, the property of the late Lord Suffield. The incisions rose and came to maturity in the usual way, and on the eighth day, I took a sufficient quantity of Ichor to vaccinate about forty young people, all of whom, to the best of my knowledge, have hitherto escaped the Smallpox, although some of them have been inoculated, and others have been intentionally exposed to its contagion in the natural way. I am not aware, however, that any practical results have been produced by these kind of experiments. I have vaccinated several thousands of patients, at least three-fourths of them gratuitously, and have never witnessed one instance of Smallpox, in its *virulent* and *protracted* form, following such vaccination. I have no hesitation, however, in acknowledging that within the last six months I have seen nine cases of *mitigated* Smallpox; and have heard of, perhaps, about as many more among

my neighbouring practitioners, in which there were evident variolous pustules, accompanied by fever, sickness, headache, &c. But in every instance the *fever was of short duration*, and the *pustules disappeared in nine or ten days*; the period at which the *true Smallpox is known to be only at its height*.

“ For many years it has been my practice to keep a *vaccine register*, in which I have inserted the *name, age, and residence* of each patient; also whether considered *secure, doubtful, or not safe*.

“ I could record several hundreds of these, to whom the variolous disease has, at various intervals, been endeavoured to be communicated, both by inoculation and by exposure, with the most satisfactory result. I will content myself by troubling you with *only one*.—My eldest son was vaccinated in the autumn of 1802, when about two months old. I endeavoured, on several subsequent occasions, to communicate to him the Smallpox in his childhood, both by inoculation and by exposure, without any effect being produced upon his arm or his health. At the age of nine years, he became an inmate of Christ’s Hospital, in London, where he resided until he had completed his fifteenth year, during which period the variolous disease prevailed in that most excellent school at different times; yet he suffered not.

“ In the summer of 1818, when he was sixteen years of age, I took him to see a man who was covered from head to foot with CONFLUENT SMALLPOX, and from whom issued such a stench that, after shaking hands with him, my son ran to the outer door for fresh air, for the purpose (his own words) of preventing his being sick. No indisposition followed this interview. A few months afterwards my son went to Jamacia, as a planter, under the auspices of Mr. Hibbert, and I am happy to say that his last letter, dated March 12, 1820, from Port Morant, states the continuance of his usual good state of health.

“ If repeated and respectable affirmations of the inefficacy of vaccination should be made public, I am open to conviction. At present I am satisfied of its powers, in resisting the shocking disfiguration and the horrible mortality which the variolous disease is so generally known to produce.

“ I am, Sir, most respectfully,

“ Yours obediently,

“ JAMES SHARPE.”

Amount of Receipts since the last year's Report	£421	18	0
Balance, at that time, in favour of the Society	29	1	2
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Expenditures	397	0	0
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	£53	19	2

It appears that the cases of Vaccination of the Society in the Metropolis, amount to	32,256
From different parts of the Empire	256,293
The number of Applicants for Vaccine Ichor, amount to	43,665
Charges supplied	218,325

The observations of physicians, in Portuguese America, and the remarks of the Director thereon are worthy of attention.

*To Dr. Walker, Director of the London Vaccine Institution,
Graduate of the University of Leyden, &c. &c. &c.*

“ Pernambuco, Feb. 12, 1819.

“ I know that you are well versed in the French idiom, and that you have not that advantage in the Portuguese language. I therefore take the liberty to address you in French, and hope you will excuse me any inaccuracies of expression.

“ I wrote to you, last June, to express my thanks for the service rendered me, in being constituted an Honorary Member of a Society so noble and so interesting as that of the London Vaccine Institution, and to acknowledge the receipt of the vaccine, which was used with good result. I promised to give you an account of its progress and effects, and also to send you some observations made on this subject. I begin my task by informing you that, in ten months, I have administered the vaccine to more than a thousand subjects. The surgeons also, here as well as in Lesbourg, and the villages, have vaccinated in the same proportion, so that the number of people who have been vaccinated in the Captainery of Pernambuco is incalculable. In consequence, the ravages from the Smallpox have been much diminished, and the inhabitants of this Continent have now nearly arrived at the moment of regarding the vaccine with the attention it merits.

“ For all these advantages we are indebted to you for having rendered us the service of sending us the vaccine at all times, when we had occasion for it, and of encouraging me in the preservation of it, and giving it an extensive spread. I have to communicate to you, that of all those I have vaccinated, till this day, not one has been attacked with the Smallpox; I have even

inoculated some with the Smallpox, but without any effect; others, exposed many times to the contagion, have not experienced any movement (indisposition). I have still more to say to you, and that is, that I have vaccinated some little children, subject to spasmodic affections of the stomach and intestinal canal, which, after the effect of the vaccine, have remained perfectly cured; and I have witnessed the same event in those who were attacked with certain affections of the skin. These cures had been previously impracticable, though the most advantageous remedies had been had recourse to. The same observation has been made by Dr. Carvatho, a physician advantageously known, and worthy of every praise. From all these considerations I have concluded, that the vaccine is the only and infallible preservative against the Smallpox; and that, far from causing injury to the human body, it sometimes cures or advances the cure of certain maladies, particularly spasmodic and cutaneous.

“ It is for you, Sir, to make some observations on this subject*. It is so hot here, in the months of November, December, and January, that the matter cannot be preserved a long time between the plates of glass. That which you sent me, arriving at this season, has become *effete*, through the great heat of the atmosphere. I am sure that you are perfectly acquainted with this particularity of the vaccine, but think it right to mention the circumstance.

“ I pray, Sir, that you will continue to render us the service of sending out the vaccine, at least four or six times each year, that we may never be a long time without it, which, however, is the case at present, having lost it during my late illness of forty days continuance. I trust in your bounty and philanthropy. You have a right to be called the benefactor of the inhabitants

* The Director mentions, that children are sometimes brought, for inoculation, under circumstances unfavourable for their reception of it. They have some cutaneous eruption, or other evident indisposition. He informs the parents, that it will be difficult to give them the Cowpox; but, that if he succeed, he hopes the children may have very sore arms from it, which may be long in healing. Their alarm ceases when he informs them, that nothing can be more likely to remove the complaint they are labouring under. That mothers often, in their conversations, are corroborating the fact, in such expressions as the following:—‘ One of my children was blind before it was inoculated; that is, its eyes were so tender, that it could not look up either by day light or candle light. It had very sore arms, long after the inoculation; but it was perfectly relieved, for its sight has been quite strong ever since.’ ‘ Ma’am, I can say the same thing of my child, under another complaint. It had long had a most unpleasant discharge from its ears, from which it was completely relieved in the very same way as yours.’ It is a well established fact, which he gave to the public in the Medical and Physical Journal, July 1806, that eruptions are sometimes most effectually removed by vaccination; when this is effected, which in some cases of eruption, however, he shows to be impracticable till the eruption be subdued; and in the same work (August 1806,) Dr. Jenner has published his opinions nearly to the same effect.—W. D. CORDELL, *Med. Sec.*

of this country, as you are of the English. I am, Sir, with pleasure and gratitude,

“Your very humble and very obedient Servant,
“MANUEL PEREIRA TEIXEIRA.”

The following account, from the Dutch settlements in the East Indies, must be received with peculiar interest by the Governors. The Director first introduced Vaccination into Holland in the year 1799; and the most active promoters of it, in the Netherlands, are Correspondents and Honorary Members of the Society.

‘A Mail from Holland arrived yesterday morning, with papers to the 8th inst.

‘We learn with pleasure from these, that the practice of vaccine inoculation is making great progress at Macassar. Above 1000 children had been already inoculated, and the King of Macassar had caused all his own children, and several of those of his relations, to undergo the same process. Measures were taking, it was added, to extend this useful discovery to Celebes.’

Public Ledger, Feb. 12, 1820.

With the preceding testimonials on the efficacy of vaccination, as proved on its being put to tests the most severe, with the acknowledgments of the immense services rendered to humanity, not only throughout the empire, but to the most distant parts of the earth, through the spontaneous flow of British benevolence, the contributions of the Governors, the Managers continue to be encouraged in their unceasing exertions to support the great cause which gave birth to the Society, whose services continue to be recognised, and whose benefits are felt, in every clime.

They have contributed to the protection of the Colonies from the Smallpox, by affording supplies of the Vaccine Ichor, for

The Canadas	Neves	St. Lucia	The Islands of the
Nova Scotia	St. Kitt's	Essequibo	Archipelago
Newfoundland	St. Vincent's	Berbice	Sierra Leone
Bermuda	Barbadoes	Guernsey	Cape of Good
The Bahamas	Grenada	Jersey	Hope
Jamaica, through	Trinidad	Gibraltar	Ceylon
all its Ports	Demarara	Malta	India
Antigua	Tobago	Corfu	New Holland
Montserrat	Dominica		

And to the places under other Governments, they equally afford Supplies of the Guardian Matter,

New Orleans	Philadelphia	Riga	Gothenburgh
Savannah	New York	Faro	Anholt
Charleston	Archangel	Farshund	Rostock
Baltimore	Petersburgh	Dronton	Stetin

Hamburgh	Seville	Ancona	Madeira
Bremen	Cadiz	Palermo	Hayti
Amsterdam	Lisbon	Trieste	St. Thomas's
Haarlem	Oporto	Vienna	The Gambia
Rotterdam	Switzerland	Constantinople	Cape Coast
Antwerp	Geneva	Smyrna	Surinam
Ostend	Genoa	China	Pernambuco
Boulogne	Leghorn	Fayal	Rio Janeiro
St. Andero	Naples	The Azores	Buenos Ayres, &
Bilboa	Messina	The Canaries	Valparaiso.

The Managers continue to watch, with earnest inquiry, the departures of vessels from this Capital of the Commercial World to Foreign Nations the most distant, as well as to all the British Colonies, and have even opened an office, by the River, below the Tower, (52, Burr Street,) where the matter of inoculation is continually supplied, free of expense, to all Applicants, on the part of the Shipping and the Colonies.

In short, Governors of the Royal Jennerian Society! Ladies and Gentlemen of every class! every breeze from the British shores wafts your benefits to distant lands, as the Mails from Lombard Street continually bear the fruits of your benevolence to every part of the United Kingdom.

Animated by these considerations, you will still interest yourselves in the prosperity of the Institution; you cannot, will not, let your noble Establishment lack your wonted generous support.

Signed by order, and on behalf of the Managers,
A. JOHNSTONE, LL.D. Registrar,
JOHN FOX, Secretary.

P.S. Since the Annual Meeting, another Member of the Royal Patronage has departed this life.

The exemplary pious Princess of the House of Brandenburg, Her Royal Highness the most Amiable Duchess of York, has been numbered with the Dead.

Organization of the Royal Jennerian Society.

Patronage.

HIS MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY GEORGE IV.

Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
with their Dependencies, and of the Kingdom of
Hanover, &c. &c. &c. PATRON.

HER MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTY QUEEN CAROLINE,
His Royal Consort, PATRONESS.

Vice-Patrons.

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF YORK,
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF CLARENCE,
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF CUMBERLAND,
HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE DUKE OF SUSSEX,
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—— it sometimes happens, when the vaccine effect has passed away, (the areola disappeared,) that the pock, instead of drying and hardening into any thing like the peculiar crust or scab, has the character of some previously existing eruption determined to the part, and becomes unfirm, or of loose texture, light-coloured and of irregular form, like a portion of concremented pus, whereby the previous eruption is often carried off. By a discharge from the part at such a time, other complaints are sometimes removed, as the excessive intolerance of light with which weak-eyed children are tormented, discharges from the ears, &c.

Under all these different appearances, the characteristic inflammation having previously had place, the protection is complete.—J. W.

"The efflorescence at the inoculated part, which seldom supervenes before the eighth or later than the eleventh day, is to be regarded as an indication that the whole system is affected."—WOODVILLE, *London*.

"*Le seul symptome essentiellement necessaire, est la tumeur produite par le virus à la place de l'inoculation.*"—AUBERT, à Paris.

"The appearance of the areola is a decided proof that the antivariolous change has been produced in the system; and, independent of this circumstance, I know no means by which the practitioner can be assured that the true disease has taken place"—DE CARRO, *Vienna*.

"In some of the darker-complexioned Asiatics, the areola is not so obvious to the eye as in European patients, on account of the different opacity of the rete mucosum of the skin; but the hand applied to the circumference of the vesicle, readily discovers the firm hardness in them as well as in Europeans"—ANDERSON, *Madras*.

EXTRANEOUS ERUPTIONS NOT PRODUCIBLE.

Can extraneous humours be inoculated together with the Cowpock? No; nor yet with the Smallpox. By the violence of the latter disease, the constitution may be so injured, that latent tendencies (technically, predisposing causes) may be aggravated, and the patient thus become a victim to disease, which, without the previous shock of Smallpox, he might have altogether escaped. Vaccination and Variolation are works so distinct, that, begun, carried on, and completed in the constitution, they admit not any other disease to mingle with them. They can only shew themselves near relatives to each other. While they uniformly arrest, during their presence, other diseases, as scarlatina, measles, &c. they exist sometimes and go on together, each diminishing the effect of its sister disease. From such subject, the inoculator can take matter by applying his lancet to the one or the other pock, and this will produce only the one distinct disease which he makes choice of—J. W.

Inquiries, whether there be already existing laws against the Inoculation of the Smallpox, from several Governors and others, having been addressed to the institution, the following extracts, from the *London Medical Journal*, on the case of **THE KING v. TAUNTON**, may pretty well answer their inquiries.

"Mr. Taunton vaccinated his own children, was one of the first subscribers to the London Vaccine Institution, and has been constantly on the Board of Managers of that Charity. At the same time he felt it his duty to inoculate such for the Smallpox, who through prejudice, or otherwise, refused vaccination. Many of the poor who applied for gratuitous advice, applied also for Inoculation for the Cowpock, and some for the Smallpox.

"On the 19th June, Mr. Taunton was arrested on the Lord Chief Justice's warrant. He gave bail, and directed his attorneys to defend the cause, which was to have been tried on Friday, December 8th, in the Court of King's Bench, where Mr. Taunton attended with his witnesses. Sir William Garrow, the Attorney General, and Counsel for the Plaintiff, stated to the Court, that he should not proceed in the present case, as he learnt that the Defendant had given notice, with every Inoculation, not to expose their children while the disease was out.

"God forbid," said he, "that those who have the Smallpox should not be attended in their own houses by any person they choose; but they must not be carried about the street to the destruction of others.

Mr. JUSTICE BAYLEY.—"I hope it is sufficiently notorious, that the causing persons to pass through the streets, who may have that disorder upon them, although they are going for medical advice to some person in whom they may have confidence, is an indictable offence; and if that person, instead of attending them at their own houses, as he might do, chooses to direct that they shall, from time to time, be brought, or come to him, there is no question that he is liable to an indictment."

Mr. ATTORNEY GENERAL.—"The few sentences that your Lordship has pronounced now, are of the last importance to the community."

Mr. JUSTICE BAYLEY.—"Mr. Taunton should intimate that he is ready to attend those persons at their own houses."

Mr. POLLOCK.—"I understand that is part of the notice, that he is willing to attend such patients at their own houses."

ROYAL JENNERIAN SOCIETY,

FOR THE

Extermination of the Smallpox.

PLAN AND REGULATIONS.

THIS Society having been honoured with the gracious Patronage of their Majesties, is denominated “The Royal Jennerian Society, for the Extermination of the Smallpox.”

The Society shall consist of a Patron, a Patroness, Vice-Patrons, Vice-Patronesses, and Sub-Patronesses; of Presidents and Vice-Presidents; of a Board of Managers, including a Medical Council; of Trustees, a Treasurer, and Secretary; and of Life-Governors and Annual Subscribers.

There shall be a Director to the Royal Jennerian Society, who shall be allowed, with the approbation of the Board of Managers, to recommend to the stations of resident inoculators, medical gentlemen, who are competent to attend to the inoculation of the patients, who will be willing to receive his instructions in vaccination, and to follow his directions in selecting and supplying the matter.

There shall be an Assistant-Director, or Assistant-Directors, to the Royal Jennerian Society.

Governors.

Subscribers of one pound or guinea, or upwards, per annum, or of five pounds or guineas, or upwards, at one payment, are Governors of this Institution.

No person becoming a Governor, shall vote on any question till six months after subscribing.

No Governor, who shall be more than one year in arrear, shall have any power or privilege as a Governor, until such arrear be paid.

Managers.

The affairs and concerns of the Institution shall be directed and administered by a Board of Managers, consisting of forty-eight Governors, whose appointment shall be honorary.

Sixteen of this Board, at least, shall be of the Medical Profession, forming a Medical Council, to whom the consideration of all questions of a medical nature shall be referred.

One-third of the Board of Managers shall annually vacate their office ; but they may all, or any of them, be re-elected.

In the first and second years their going out shall be determined by lot ; afterwards by rotation, as they stand on the list.

The Presidents and Vice-presidents are, *ex-officio*, members of this board.

A President, or a Vice-president, and in their absence a member of the board, shall take the chair at the meetings of the Managers ; five of whom shall be a quorum, when the business shall commence by reading the minutes of the last meeting.

The Managers shall meet on the first Thursday in March, June, September, and December, at seven in the evening ; or oftener, as they may deem necessary.

They shall provide a house in some convenient part of the metropolis, to be called, **THE HOUSE OF THE ROYAL JENNERIAN SOCIETY.**

In this house the Inoculators shall reside, and conduct the business of the Institution ; where the Managers shall hold their meetings, if they find it convenient.

The Managers shall cause accounts to be kept of all receipts, payments, and transactions of the institution, and of the business of its officers and servants ; which accounts shall be made up, at the end of the year, and audited before the first of March.

Secretary.

The Secretary shall be elected annually, and his office shall be honorary.

He is, *ex-officio*, a member of every meeting and committee in which he acts.

He shall enter the Minutes in a rough Minute-book, (which shall be signed by the Chairman, and cause them to be copied into the Fair-book, against the next meeting.

He shall regularly give notice of all the meetings of the institution and its committees ; such notices to be sent by post, at the expense of the person addressed.

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall be elected annually, and his office shall be honorary.

An account of all monies belonging to the institution, and all receipts and payments, shall be entered in a book, under the direction of the Treasurer, and deposited with the Secretary for the use of the Trustees.

The Treasurer shall pay all such bills and drafts on the Society as shall be approved of by a Board of Managers, and signed by the Secretary, and at least three of the Managers then present.

He shall make up his accounts to the 31st of December in every year, and lay them before the Managers, in order to their being

prepared for the annual inspection of the Auditors, who shall be appointed by the Board of Managers.

Collector.

The Collector shall be elected and appointed by the Managers.

The Collector shall receive all subscriptions and donations belonging to the institution; which shall be entered in a book kept solely for that purpose, and laid before the Managers at all their meetings.

All monies received by the Collector shall be paid before the first Thursday in March, June, September, and December.

A book, containing the names of all Governors, arranged alphabetically, with ten columns, to contain ten years' subscriptions, shall be kept by the Collector, which book shall be laid before the Managers, at all their meetings.

Resident Inoculators.

The Governors, assembled in a general meeting, shall elect the Resident Inoculators, who shall be of the medical profession, and previously approved of and recommended by the Managers.

They shall inoculate all persons, free of expense, who shall apply to them for that purpose, at the house of the institution, during such hours as the Managers shall appoint, every day, Sundays excepted.

They shall supply the matter of inoculation, free of expense, to all the Medical Practitioners and Governors, who shall apply for it during such hours.

They shall keep a faithful register of those whom they inoculate, in a book kept for that purpose, specifying the name, residence, and age of the patient, with remarks on the event of the inoculation, and a regular account of the charges of matter supplied, and the names and residence of the applicants.

They shall take the charge of the books and writings of the Society, which shall be open to the inspection of the Governors, during the public hours.

Election of Honorary Officers.

Once a year, the Managers shall provide for the Governors, a list of those members of the Society who vacate their offices.

Each Governor may strike out any names he pleases, and write any others whom he may wish to be elected.

He shall then fold up the list, and deliver it to the President or Chairman, who shall immediately put it into the balloting vessel.

The name of each Governor, who delivers in his list, shall be noted by the Secretary, or other person appointed in his place.

Two Scrutineers shall be appointed, by the majority present; and when the ballot is closed, they shall cast up the number of votes for each person, and report the same in writing to the Presi-

dent or Chairman, who shall declare those who have the majority of votes to be the persons elected.

General Meetings.

There shall be an annual general meeting of Governors on the first Thursday in April; at which, and at all special general meetings, seven shall form a quorum, the time of meeting to be fixed by the Managers.

A President, a Vice-president, a member of the board of Managers, or in their absence, any other Governor of the institution, shall take the chair.

The minutes of the transactions at every general meeting shall be entered in a rough Minute-book, and signed by the Chairman, which shall be the Secretary's authority for transcribing them into a Fair-book. This mode of proceeding shall also be observed by the board of Managers, and all the committees and sub-committees of the institution.

The business at the annual meeting shall be commenced by reading the minutes of the last annual meeting, and those of all the extraordinary, or special general meetings, which have occurred, the fair copy of which shall be signed by the Chairman.

The minutes of the Board of Managers, since the last annual meeting, shall then be read for their approbation and confirmation.

The Managers shall lay before the meeting, a statement of the audited accounts of the last year, specifying the receipts and expenditures, the Balance in hand, or deficiency; and a report of the state of the institution, describing its progress, the numbers inoculated, the charges of matter supplied, and the number of applicants, during the last year.

All business brought before a general meeting for the decision of the Governors, except such as relates to the formation or abrogation of the laws of the institution, shall be determined by a majority present, either by ballot, show of hands, or a division, which decision shall be final.

No new law, nor abrogation or alteration of any existing law, shall be valid, unless confirmed at a subsequent general meeting.

Special Meetings.

Fifteen Governors may call a special general meeting, by giving notice to the Secretary, in writing, signed with their names, and describing, fully, the business they intend to bring forward; in which case, the Secretary shall give six day's notice by letter to the Governors.

Five Managers may call a special general meeting of their Board, by giving notice, in writing, to their Secretary, signed with their names, and stating the object of their meeting; in which case, the Secretary shall cause notice to be sent to all the Managers, three days prior to the meeting.

*Honorary and Corresponding Members and appointed
Inoculators.*

Persons not of the medical profession, residing in the British empire, or in foreign nations, who shall distinguish themselves in the cause of Vaccination, may be elected honorary and corresponding members of the institution, and have diplomas presented to them.

Medical men in the metropolis, and other parts of the United Kingdom, or residing in foreign parts, who evince their zeal in the cause of Vaccination, may be elected honorary and corresponding members, and be appointed Inoculators to the institution.

To each person so elected and appointed, (who shall have distinguished himself in the cause of Vaccination) a diploma shall be presented, signed by order of the Board of Managers. Each person, so elected, shall be requested to make an annual return of the numbers inoculated by him, to the 31st of December in each year, and any observations on the practice. Such returns to be addressed to the Director of the Royal Jennerian Society.

Inoculators in the country shall be authorised and requested to put up a board, with the following, or a similar inscription, viz. 'Protection from the Smallpox, under the sanction of the Royal Jennerian Society. Inoculation, gratis, by Mr. _____, at _____ o'clock.

There shall be an Annual Festival on the 17th of May, that being the birth-day of Dr. Jenner.

A Subscription of One Pound, or Guinea, or upwards, annually, constitutes a Governor of the Institution; of Five Pounds, or Guineas, or upwards, a Governor for Life.

* FORM OF BEQUEST.

I GIVE unto the Treasurer for the time being, of a certain voluntary Society, formed in London, in the year 1806, called the ROYAL JENNERIAN SOCIETY, the sum of _____ pounds, of lawful money of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, current in Great Britain, to be paid within _____ months next after my decease, out of such part only of my personal estate as shall not consist of chattels real, upon trust, to be applied towards carrying on the purposes of the said Institution. And I do direct, that the Receipt of the Treasurer of the said Society, for the time being, for the said Legacy, shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors for the same.

* *Devisees of land, or money charged on land, or to be laid out in land, are void; but money or stock may be given by will, if not directed to be laid out in land.*

FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY.

At a very numerous and highly respectable meeting, holden at the London Tavern, on Wednesday, January 19, 1803, to consider of the best means to be adopted for the extermination of the Smallpox,

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor in the Chair,

The following Address was read and presented to the Chair by Benjamin Travers, Esq.

ADDRESS TO THE PUBLIC.

“The dreadful havoc, occasioned by that horrid pestilence, the Smallpox, which, in the United Kingdom alone, annually sweeps away more than forty thousand persons, has long been a subject of deep regret to every humane and reflecting mind.

“The inoculation of this disease has opposed an ineffectual resistance to its destructive career. Although confessedly a valuable improvement in rendering it more mild, yet such has been the consequence of the partial adoption of the practice, that it appears, on a careful review of the history of the Smallpox, that inoculation, by spreading the contagion, has considerably increased its mortality.

“A new species of inoculation has at length been providentially introduced, by our countryman, Dr. Jenner, which, without being contagious, without occasioning any material indisposition, or leaving any blemish, proves an effectual preservative against the future infection of the Smallpox.

“The House of Commons, having investigated the subject with the most scrupulous attention, and being perfectly convinced of the superior advantages resulting from this discovery, have given their sanction to the practice, the safety, mildness, and efficacy of which, more than half a million of instances have fully confirmed.

“The unspeakable benefits which may be expected to arise from an extensive diffusion of this salutary practice, will be much accelerated by the establishment of an Institution in a central part of the metropolis, upon a broad basis, supported with a spirit equal to the design, and worthy of the character of the British nation. When the magnitude of the object is considered, which is no less than to eradicate the greatest scourge that ever afflicted mankind, there can be but one sentiment on the subject.

“The enlightened, the benevolent, the opulent will doubtless vie with each other in the zealous support of an undertaking, which will reflect the highest honour upon this country, and prove, by saving millions of victims from an untimely grave, an inestimable blessing to the whole human race.

January 9, 1803.

JOSEPH FOX, Secretary.

The Right Honourable the Lord Mayor having read the address from the chair, it was moved by Dr. Lettsom, and seconded by Dr. Bradley, "That the address be received and adopted," which was carried unanimously.

A motion having been made by Mr. Gurney, and seconded by Mr. Leaper, "That this Meeting do form itself into a Society, for the extermination of the Smallpox,"

The Honourable Admiral Berkeley arose, and said, that he had it in command from His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence, to apologize to the meeting for his non-attendance, he having been unavoidably prevented from doing himself the pleasure and the honour of attending on the present interesting occasion; but that His Grace the Duke of Bedford held a motion in his hand, which, had His Royal Highness been present, he himself would have made.

On this, the Right Honourable Chairman observed, that a motion had already been made, and seconded, and that consequently, it must first be disposed of.

The Hon. Admiral acknowledged the propriety of the observation, but said, that the motion was proposed as a tribute of esteem to a benefactor of the world, and that if the previous motion could, for the moment, be waived, the honour intended, if voted, would be greater, coming from a popular assembly, than if it were conferred by an organized society.

Mr. Gurney, on this, immediately offered priority to the wish of His Royal Highness, when, on the motion of the Duke of Bedford, at the special request of His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence, seconded by the Honourable Admiral Berkeley, it was

Resolved unanimously, "That the thanks of this meeting be transmitted to Dr. Jenner, expressive of the high sense it entertains of his merit, and the great importance of his discovery, and particularly for the liberal offer of his assistance to accomplish the great object it has in view."

Mr. Gurney's motion, "That this meeting do form itself into a Society for the extermination of the Smallpox," was then carried unanimously.

A subscription was opened, on the motion and example of Mr. Angerstein, trustees were appointed, and a committee elected, for forming a plan for the purpose of carrying into effect the important object of the society.

At a Meeting of the Committee, Jan. 26, 1803, John Julius Angerstein Esq. in the Chair, a plan was prepared. On the 2d of February, Mr. Angerstein, the Chairman, reported, that he had received a letter from the Duke of Bedford, accompanied with a subscription of fifty guineas, in which his Grace thanked the Society for the honour conferred on him, in electing him President.

The Lord Mayor reported, that he had received a letter from Dr. Jenner, expressing his thanks to the Society, for the honour

it had conferred on him, by the resolution of the general meeting. Ordered to be inserted on the minutes.

To the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor.

Berkeley, Jan. 27, 1803.

“MY LORD,—I beg leave to acknowledge the deep sense I entertain of the honour which your Lordship’s particular notice has conferred upon me.

“I feel infinitely indebted to you for convening and countenancing, by your presence and assistance, the late respectable meeting, at the London Tavern, for considering the best means for the extermination of the Smallpox. His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence, his Grace the Duke of Bedford, the Hon. Admiral Berkeley, together with other Noblemen and Gentlemen, demand my warmest thanks for the encouragement and support they have given to an Institution, of which I have the success so much at heart.

“I have the honour to be,

“My Lord,

“Your Lordship’s obliged, and

“very faithful humble Servant,

“E. JENNER.”

The Chairman reported that he had received letters from several Noblemen and Gentlemen, stating their ready compliance with the request of the Society to become Vice-Presidents:

Mr. Ring having reported that Admiral Berkeley was confined by indisposition,

Resolved, “That Lord Egremont be requested to give his assistance to the Chairman, in applying to Lord Pelham, the Secretary of State, in order to obtain the patronage of His Majesty to this Institution.

Feb. 10, 1803.—At a meeting of the Committee of the Jennerian Society for the Extermination of the Smallpox, appointed January 19th, John Julius Angerstein in the Chair,

The Chairman reported that in company with Lord Egremont, he had waited upon Lord Pelham to request that His Majesty would condescend to become the Patron of this Society, and that now he had the opportunity of presenting a letter from his Lordship, informing Lord Egremont that His Majesty had graciously consented to be the Patron of the Society.

The Chairman reported, that he had received a letter from Lord Morton, informing him that Her Majesty had graciously condescended to become the Patroness of this Society.

The Chairman further informed the Society, that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, His Royal Highness the Duke of York, His Royal Highness the Duke of Clarence, and His Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland, had consented to become Vice-Patrons of this Society.

Ordered that the several letters be entered on the minutes.

To the Earl of Egremont.

Stratton Street, Feb. 3, 1803.

MY DEAR LORD,—I received your note at the Queen's Palace, and had an opportunity of laying it before the King, who has been graciously pleased to consent to be Patron of the Institution for promoting Vaccine Inoculation. I am, with very sincere regard.

My dear Lord,
Ever yours, most faithfully,
PELHAM.

To J. J. Angerstein Esq.

Park Street, Feb. 10, 1803,

SIR,—I have the pleasure to inform you, that her Majesty has this day been graciously pleased to comply with the request communicated to Her Majesty by you, through me, of the gentlemen associated for the purpose of exterminating the Small-pox, by declaring herself Patroness of the Society, into which they have formed themselves, with that view.

I have the honour to be, with great truth and regard,

Sir,
Your most obedient and humble Servant,
MORTON.

To the Earl of Egremont.

Many thanks, my dear Lord, for your kind letter. I am ever happy in putting myself into your hands, and upon no occasion can I do it with more satisfaction than on the present; for no one can wish more sincerely well to the future success of the Vaccine Institution than myself, being most thoroughly persuaded of its efficacy, and of the incalculable advantages that the world, in general, will reap from the indefatigable and praiseworthy perseverance with which Dr. Jenner has brought it to its present perfection. I will entreat of you to offer to the Committee, appointed to superintend this institution, to make use of my name in any way that they may consider as best calculated to forward their laudable purpose.

I am ever, my dear Lord,

most sincerely yours,

GEORGE P.

Carlton House,
Feb. 5, 1803.

To the Earl of Egremont.

Horse Guards, Feb. 7, 1803.

MY DEAR LORD,—I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and beg to assure you, that I shall have great pleasure in giving every support in my power to the new Vaccine Institution, and most readily consent to my name being added to the list of Patrons.

I am, my dear Lord, ever

Yours, most sincerely,

FREDERICK.

To the Hon. Admiral Berkeley.

Bushey House.

DEAR SIR,—I shall be truly very happy to be of any use in assisting Dr. Jenner to disseminate his invaluable discovery throughout the British Empire; and cannot but feel proud that my name should stand among those of the patronizers of your Society.

I remain ever yours,

WILLIAM.

To J. J. Angerstein, Esq.

St. James's Palace.

I have H. R. H. the Duke of Cumberland's commands to inform you, that he feels much flattered at your wish that he should become a Vice-Patron of the Vaccine Institution, an honour which he accepts with much gratification to himself.—And his Royal Highness has commanded me to add, that he shall be at all times happy in having it in his power to contribute towards the promoting of so truly benevolent an undertaking.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your very obedient, humble Servant,

B. C. STEPHENSON.

Resolved, That in consequence of the honour which Their Majesties have been pleased to confer on this Society, that it be recommended that, in future, it be intituled, the Royal Jennerian Society, for the extermination of the Smallpox.

Resolved, That the Chairman be requested to use his influence in presenting the wish of the Society to their Royal Highnesses the Princess of Wales, the Duchess of York, the Princesses Augusta Sophia, Elizabeth, Mary, Sophia, and Amelia, entreating them to become Vice-Patronesses.

London Coffee-House, Feb. 14, 1803.

At a Meeting of the Committee of the Jennerian Society, for the Extermination of the Smallpox, appointed Jan. 19th, Dr. Jenner in the Chair, the following advertisement was prepared for publication.

Jennerian Society for the Extermination of the Smallpox.

“The subscribers to this Society are requested to attend, on Thursday next, the 17th inst. at eleven o'clock, at the London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street, to receive the report of the Committee appointed to prepare a plan for its future regulation.

“The Chair will be taken by the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, at twelve o'clock precisely. The company of every Gentleman who is disposed to further the views of this Society, will be esteemed a favour.

“JOSEPH FOX, *Secretary.*”

At the General Meeting of Feb. 17th, the minutes of the

Meeting, holden on the 19th of January, were read and confirmed. John Julius Angerstein, Esq. Chairman of the Committee, appointed on the 19th ult., being indisposed, Benjamin Travers, Esq. on the part of the Committee, presented the following report.

Report of the Committee, appointed on the 19th of January last, to the General Meeting of the Society.

Your Committee, after much and anxious deliberation, having formed the outline of a plan, which they conceive best adapted to promote the great object of this Society, beg leave to recommend it to the adoption of this General Meeting.

Impressed with the great importance of obtaining an immediate and powerful support, they have thought it indispensably requisite to apply to many exalted and distinguished characters for their sanction to the undertaking, and they have the satisfaction to announce, that His Majesty has graciously condescended to become the Patron; that Her Majesty has, with great benignity, acquiesced in the request to become the Patroness; that His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, and their Royal Highnesses the Duke of York, the Duke of Clarence, and the Duke of Cumberland, have already evinced, in the most flattering manner, their willingness to accept the station of Vice-Patrons; that his Grace the Duke of Bedford has complied with their solicitation to fill the office of President; and that many Prelates, Noblemen, and Gentlemen, of the first rank and respectability, have consented to be Vice-Presidents of this Society.

Impressed also with the great advantage of engaging in our cause the mild and extensive influence of the female character, it has been deemed highly expedient to obtain the countenance of those Ladies whose rank, situation, and example, might recommend the Jennerian practice in the vicinity of their respective residences throughout the country. Various applications for this purpose have been made, and they entertain well-founded expectations of success.

In addition to the names of those illustrious, noble and respectable characters, whom your Committee have solicited to accept the Patronage and Presidency of your Society, they conceive that they have acted according to the spirit of your instructions in proceeding to the nomination of persons to be submitted to your approbation, as proper to fill the principal offices, particularly the Board of Directors and the Medical Council.

Your Committee cannot conclude their observations without expressing their hopes that your Directors and Medical Council will as soon as possible extend their views throughout every part of the United Kingdom, and, by interesting the different classes of the community, give full effect to the important object of this society.

JOHN JULIUS ANGERSTEIN, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the Board of Directors and the Medical Council be requested to afford all the assistance in their power towards the formation of similar institutions in every part of the British empire.

That the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor, His Grace the Duke of Bedford, the Earl of Berkeley, the Earl of Egremont, Lord Grantley, Lord Carrington, Admiral Berkeley, Dr. Jenner, Dr. Lettsom, John Julius Angerstein, Esq. and Benjamin Travers, Esq. be desired to wait on his Majesty, to return the most humble and dutiful thanks of this Society for the high honour conferred on it by his Majesty's gracious condescension in becoming its Patron.

That the same Noblemen and Gentlemen be desired to wait on her Majesty, to express the most humble thanks of this Society, for the high honour conferred on it by her Majesty's gracious condescension in becoming its Patroness.

That the most respectful thanks of this Society be presented to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, for the honour conferred on the Society by his Royal Highness's condescension in becoming one of its Vice-Patrons; and for the gracious expressions in his Royal Highness's letter, making that communication.

That the most respectful thanks of this Society be presented to her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, for the honour conferred on the Society, by her Royal Highness's condescension in becoming one of its Vice-Patronesses.

That the respectful thanks of this Society be presented to their Royal Highnesses the Duke of York, the Duke of Clarence, and the Duke of Cumberland, for the honour conferred by their Royal Highnesses on the Society, in becoming its Vice-Presidents.

That the respectful thanks of this Society be presented to their Royal Highnesses the Duchess of York, the Princess Augusta Sophia, Elizabeth, Mary, Sophia, and Amelia, for the honour conferred on this Society, by their Royal Highnesses becoming Vice-Patronesses.

That the most cordial thanks of this Society be given to his Grace the Duke of Bedford, for his Grace's ready acceptance of the office of President, and for the zeal he has manifested in promoting the very important object of this society.

That the thanks of this Society be given to those Noble and Respectable Ladies, who have honoured this society by becoming Sub-Patronesses.

That the grateful acknowledgments of this Society be given to the Earl of Egremont, for the eminent services which his Lordship has rendered to this society.

That the thanks of this Society be given to those distinguished Prelates, Noblemen, and Gentlemen, who have honoured the society by becoming its Vice-Presidents.

That the Society, deeply impressed with a sense of the impor-

tant services resulting from the indefatigable exertions of Dr. Jenner, Dr. Lettsom, John Julius Angerstein, Esq. and Benjamin Travers, Esq. do with equal pleasure and gratitude, return them their thanks.

That the thanks of this Society be given to the Gentlemen of the Committee, for their very great assiduity and ability, manifested in the formation of the Plan and Regulations of this Society.

That this Society do recommend to the Board of Directors to prepare a Memorial, on its behalf, to be laid before the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council, in Common Council assembled.

That the thanks of this Society be given to Joseph Fox, Esq. for his unremitting attention and great exertions in conducting the affairs of this society, in the office of Secretary.

Upon the motion of Lord Carrington,

Resolved unanimously, That the thanks of this Society be given to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, for his zealous support of the interests of this society, and for his able and impartial conduct in the chair.

London Coffee-house, Feb, 23, 1803.—At a Meeting of the Medical Council, Dr. Denman in the Chair, Resolved, that Dr. Walker be requested to inoculate, on behalf of the Royal Jennerian Society, the children recommended by the Rev. Mr. Hill, and that he make report of the numbers he may have vaccinated—This was the first appointment of an Inoculator to the Society.

St. Paul's Coffee-house, March 24, 1803.—Board of Directors.—Resolved, that in the opinion of this Board it is expedient to appoint a medical gentleman, of experience, to be Inoculator in the Central-house, whose engagements will permit him to reside in that house, and whose practical knowledge will qualify him to supply the matter of inoculation to applicants, keep a register of cases, give advice upon cases of emergency, and afford information to those who may desire it; and that this Board will hold themselves responsible to make an adequate recompense for the same.—Communicated by Messrs. Tuffen and Rutt.

Medical Council, St. Paul's Coffee-house, March 24, 1803.—Resolved, that the thanks of this Council be given to the Board of Directors, for their very agreeable and satisfactory information concerning the Central-house, and that they will take into serious consideration the appointment of a resident medical gentleman, for which purpose a special summons will be sent to all the Members of the Council, that the important subject of the appointment may receive the fullest attention on the ensuing evening.—Communicated by Mr. Ring and Mr. Hurlock.

House of the Institution, Salisbury-square, March 31, 1803.—At a Meeting of the Medical Council, Dr. Jenner in the chair,

Resolved, that the election of a resident medical gentleman in the Central-house be deferred to this day four weeks, and that, in the mean time, an Advertisement be inserted in the public papers, inviting candidates to apply for this office.

Resolved, that a Committee be now appointed to receive the applications of the candidates, to examine the qualifications of such candidates, and to report the same to the Medical Council, one week previous to the proposed election.

No. 14, Salisbury-square, April 21, 1803.—At a meeting of the Medical Council, Dr. Jenner in the Chair. The Committee appointed to examine candidates for the office of Resident Inoculator at the Central-house, reported, that Dr. Domeier, Dr. Walker, Dr. Aberdour, and Mr. Edward Leese, had given satisfactory evidence of their professional education, and their knowledge of the Vaccine Inoculation. The same having been received, it was

Resolved, That Dr. Domeier, Dr. Walker, Dr. Aberdour, and Mr. Edward Leese, be admitted as candidates.

Central-house, No. 14, Salisbury-square, April 28, 1803.—Medical Council. The following Message was communicated to the Board of Directors.

The Medical Council inform the Board of Directors, that the election of Resident Inoculator and Medical Secretary took place this morning, previous to which Dr. Aberdour had resigned. Upon casting up the Ballot, the numbers were for

Dr. Walker, 27—Dr. Domeier, 10—Mr. Leese, 6—whereupon Dr. Walker was declared duly elected.

The Board of Directors thank the Medical Council for the communication of the election of Dr. Walker to the important office of Resident Inoculator and Medical Secretary; and congratulate them upon so important a step towards the object of this Society, which the Directors will take measures immediately to announce to the public.

Resolved, that the above be communicated by Mr. Vandercom and Mr. Bodley.

It was one of the regulations of the society, that they should annually have a public dinner, on the birth-day of Dr. Jenner; and, accordingly, on the 17th of May, 1803, with the Earl of Egremont in the chair, the Nobleman who had more than any other, from the first announcement of the discovery, devoted himself to its propagation, they held their first festival at the Crown and Anchor Tavern, Strand. It was there announced that the society had opened out thirteen stations, for gratuitous inoculation in different parts of the metropolis, to which the extremely numerous company were invited to recommend the children from their respective neighbourhoods. The proceedings of a society, so eminently sanctioned, by professional talent, by high rank, by pure philanthropy, were prosperous beyond all previous example. Multitudes flocked immediately to the stations;

the matter of inoculation was diffused throughout the empire, and throughout the world. That protection from so direful and contagious a disease as the smallpox should be obtained by so slight a general affection as is produced, together with the very circumscribed local destruction of skin, by vaccination, was one of the most extraordinary phenomena in animal physiology. To doubt the fact was most rational, and many yet doubted. But a society happily, so imposing or influential, carried conviction to many minds; and others ceased to oppose what had received so high a sanction. Unhappily the few of the medical profession who had the courage to oppose their mistaken notions to the convictions of the multitude of their brethren, were violently and even slanderously assailed by some of the minor characters in this society, whereby they seemed to become incorrigible.

At length the Medical Council, a body, including these minor characters, as well as others, of a different description, of first-rate talent and distinguished philanthropy, instituted a committee of inquiry into the subjects of dispute.

Central-house, Salisbury-square, July 4th, 1805.

At a Meeting of the Medical Council, Dr. Lettsom in the Chair,

The Medical Council having been informed that various cases have occurred which have excited prejudices among many, and occasioned obstacles to vaccine inoculation,

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire into the nature and evidence of such cases, and likewise of smallpox, subsequent both to the natural and inoculated smallpox; and that they make report of the same to the council: also, that they be requested to prepare such a memorial as they may deem best calculated to remove the objections to, and extend the practice of, vaccination.

REPORT.

The Medical Council of the Royal Jennerian Society, having been informed that various cases had occurred, which excited prejudices against vaccine inoculation, and tended to check the progress of that important discovery in this kingdom, appointed a committee of twenty-five of their members to inquire, not only into the nature and truth of such cases, but also into the evidence respecting instances of smallpox, alleged to have occurred twice in the same person.

In consequence of this reference, the committee made diligent inquiry into the history of a number of cases, in which it was supposed that vaccination had failed to prevent the smallpox, and also of such cases of smallpox as were stated to have happened subsequently to the natural or inoculated smallpox.

In the course of their examination, the committee learned, that opinions and assertions had been advanced and circulated, which charged the cowpox with rendering patients liable to

particular diseases, frightful in their appearance, and hitherto unknown, and judging such opinions to be connected with the question as to the efficacy of the practice, they thought it incumbent upon them to examine also into the validity of these injurious statements respecting vaccination.

After a very minute investigation of these subjects, the result of their inquiries has been submitted to the Medical Council; and from the report of the committee it appears:

I. That most of the cases, which have been brought forward as instances of the failure of vaccination to prevent the small-pox, and which have been the subjects of public attention and conversation, are either wholly unfounded or grossly misrepresented.

II. That some of the cases are now allowed, by the very persons who first related them, to have been erroneously stated.

III. That the statements of such of those cases as are published, have, for the most part, been carefully investigated, ably discussed, and fully refuted, by different writers on the subject.

IV. That notwithstanding the most incontestible proofs of such misrepresentations, a few medical men have persisted in repeatedly bringing the same unfounded and refuted reports and misrepresentations, before the public, thus perversely and disingenuously labouring to excite prejudices against vaccination.

V. That in some printed accounts, adverse to vaccination, in which the writers had no authenticated facts to support the opinions they advanced, nor any reasonable arguments to maintain them, the subject has been treated with indecent and disgusting levity; as if the good or evil of society were fit objects for sarcasm and ridicule.

VI. That when the practice of vaccination was first introduced and recommended by Dr. Jenner, many persons, who had never seen the effects of the vaccine fluid on the human system, who were almost wholly unacquainted with the history of vaccination, the characteristic marks of the genuine vesicle, and the cautions necessary to be observed in the management of it, and were therefore incompetent to decide whether patients were properly vaccinated or not, nevertheless ventured to inoculate for the cowpox.

VII. That many persons have been duly vaccinated, when the operation was performed in a very negligent and unskilful manner, and when the inoculator did not afterwards see the patients, and therefore could not ascertain whether infection had taken place or not; and that to this cause are certainly to be attributed many of the cases adduced in proof of the inefficacy of cowpox.

VIII. That some cases have been brought before the committee, on which they could form no decisive opinion, from the want of necessary information as to the regularity of the pre-

ceding vaccination, or the reality of the subsequent appearance of the smallpox.

IX. That it is admitted by the committee, that a few cases have been brought before them, of persons having the smallpox, who had apparently passed through the cowpox in a regular way.

X. That cases, supported by evidence equally strong, have been also brought before them, of persons who, after having once regularly passed through the smallpox, either by inoculation or natural infection, have had that disease a second time.

XI. That in many cases, in which the smallpox has occurred a second time, after inoculation or the natural disease, such recurrence has been particularly severe, and often fatal; whereas, when it has appeared to occur after vaccination, the disease has generally been so mild, as to lose some of its characteristic marks, and even sometimes to render its existence doubtful.

XII. That it is a fact well ascertained, that, in some particular states of certain constitutions, whether vaccine or variolous matter be employed, a local disease only will be excited by inoculation, the constitution remaining unaffected; yet that matter taken from such local vaccine or variolous pustule is capable of producing a general and perfect disease.

XIII. That if a person, bearing the strongest and most indubitable marks of having had the smallpox, be repeatedly inoculated for that disease, a pustule may be produced, the matter of which will communicate the disease to those who have not been previously infected.

XIV. That, although it is difficult to determine precisely the number of exceptions to the practice, the medical council are fully convinced that the failure of vaccination, as a preventive of the smallpox, is a very rare occurrence.

XV. That of the immense number who have been vaccinated in the army and navy, in different parts of the united kingdom, and in every quarter of the globe, scarcely any instances of such failure have been reported to the committee, but those which are said to have occurred in the metropolis, or its vicinity.

XVI. That the medical council are fully assured, that in very many places, in which the smallpox raged with great violence, the disease has been speedily and effectually arrested in its progress, and in some populous cities wholly exterminated, by the practice of vaccination.

XVII. That the practice of inoculation for the smallpox, on its first introduction into this country, was opposed and very much retarded, in consequence of misrepresentations and arguments drawn from assumed facts, and of miscarriages arising from the want of correct information, similar to those now brought forward against vaccination, so that nearly fifty years elapsed, before smallpox inoculation was fully established.

XVIII. That, by a reference to the bills of mortality, it will appear that, to the unfortunate neglect of vaccination, and to the prejudices raised against it, we may, in a great measure, attribute the loss of nearly two thousand lives by the smallpox, in this metropolis alone, within the present year.

XIX. That the few instances of failure, either in the inoculation of the cowpox, or of the smallpox, ought not to be considered as objections to either practice, but merely as deviations from the ordinary course of nature.

XX. That if a comparison be made between the preservative effects of vaccination, and those of inoculation for the smallpox, it would be necessary to take into account the greater number of persons who have been vaccinated within a given time: as it is probable that, within the last seven years, nearly as many persons have been inoculated for the cowpox, as were ever inoculated for the smallpox, since the practice was introduced into this kingdom.

XXI. That, from all the facts which they have been able to collect, it appears to the medical council, that the cowpox is generally mild and harmless in its effects; and that the few cases, which have been alleged against this opinion, may be fairly attributed to peculiarity of constitution.

XXII. That many well-known cutaneous diseases, and some scrophulous complaints, have been represented as the effects of vaccine inoculation, when in fact they originated from other causes, and in many instances occurred long after vaccination; and that such diseases are infinitely less frequent after vaccination, than after either the natural or inoculated smallpox.

Having stated these facts, and made these observations, the medical council cannot conclude their Report upon a subject so highly important and interesting to all classes of the community, without making this solemn declaration;

That in their opinion, founded on their own individual experience, and the information which they have been able to collect from that of others, mankind have already derived great and incalculable benefit from the discovery of vaccination: and that it is their full belief, that the sanguine expectations of advantage and security, which have been formed from the inoculation of the cowpox, will be ultimately and completely fulfilled.

(SIGNED)

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JOHN WALKER,

Secretary to the Council.

January 2, 1806.

In the great fire at Salisbury-square, the Central-house had been reduced to ruins, the Committees could no longer meet there, but the Resident Inoculator continued all his share of the business of the Society among the ruins. Inoculations, examinations, and supplies of matter did not cease.

Bolt-court, Fleet-street, May 1, 1806.

The Directors appointed a Committee of four of their Members to attend the business of the annual festival. The Medical Council appointed an equal number of their Board to cooperate with the said Committee.

The Directors resolved that the Clergy of different denominations be solicited to favour the society with their kind and useful services. by preaching charity sermons, and thereby giving publicity to the Institution, and benefiting the finances. The Medical Council resolved, that it be left to the Committee for managing the festival, to carry into effect the foregoing resolution, if they shall think proper.

These were the last legal joint acts of the Board of Directors and Medical Council; for, after this, these two Committees fell into intestine disputes, and in these each body, or board, became diminished one-third of their appointed number; and the broken boards were never afterwards completed. A splendid festival was, however, produced, Vice-Patron his Royal Highness the

Duke of York taking the chair*, on Dr. Jenner's birth-day, the 17th of May; but no charity sermons ensued.

* *Extract from a Letter, which was read at the Meeting of the Royal Jennerian Society, on the anniversary of Dr. Jenner's Birth-day, in 1806.*

“ JOHN REYSS to the great and illustrious EDWARD JENNER, &c. &c. &c. the celebrated Exterminator of that fatal Disease, the Smallpox.

“ I lately procured from a friend, a silver vase, purchased at a public sale at Dantzic. When I examined its form and workmanship, and found engraved on it the name of ‘*Jenner, the 9th of March, 1745,*’ I instantly experienced the greatest pleasure; and seriously resolved, that what had probably been alienated from the repository of his very worthy ancestors, by some unfortunate event, should be restored as soon as possible.

“ Permit me, Sir, here to lay before you an account of the rise and progress of my labours in vaccination; which, I have not the least doubt, will be extremely grateful to a heart like yours, which is so zealous in the cause of humanity.—In the year 1799 I first received notice of the happy discovery of the great and illustrious JENNER; and instantly feeling a fervent desire of gaining information concerning so beneficial a practice, thought it my duty to exert every effort in my power to obtain further instructions; till, in the year 1800, your most excellent work appeared, translated from the English language into German, and published at Leipsic. At the same time I endeavoured to procure genuine vaccine matter as soon as possible; and was at length so fortunate as to succeed, but with great difficulty, having received some from London, by way of Dantzic.

“ In the Warsaw Gazettes, a testimonial was inserted by the synagogue of the Jews of Tarnobierz; where, out of sixty children, whose parents would not suffer them to be vaccinated, twenty died, and two became blind; while, out of seventy-one, whom I vaccinated, although they used to eat together, play together, and sleep together, not one died, or received the infection of the smallpox.

“ I therefore published, in the Warsaw and Cracow Journals, on the 3d of March, 1803, an account of my practice during the year 1802, which produced such an impression on the minds of the people, and particularly those of the lower class, that they eagerly flocked to me with their children, whom they submitted to vaccination. At length, in the year 1803, his Imperial Majesty, by his public letters patent, gave orders for the inoculation of all children throughout the whole kingdom.

“ As the distance of this country, and the inconveniences attending a voyage, are obstacles to my ever seeing you, according to my inclination, I wish at least, Sir, to be in possession of your portrait, if you will be so kind as to present me with it. If, Sir, you would also send, as a token of regard, a bit of cloth of the colour which you are most fond of wearing, I should thankfully receive it; for it is my desire, that those who have displayed the greatest zeal in support of your system, should be dressed in the same uniform on your birthday, and perform an act of public gratitude to the name of JENNER.—That day shall ever be a solemn festival to me, while I exist and enjoy the breath of life—It now only remains that I bid you adieu, assuring you of the good wishes of,

“ Great and illustrious Sir,

“ Your most obedient, humble servant,

Makow, April 5, 1805.

“ JOHN REYSS.”

On the 25th of June, a special general Court was holden at the London Coffee-house, Ludgate-hill, for the purpose of inquiring into the state of the Society; and to remedy its defects or abuses, which appointed a Committee to consider the best means of reducing the expenditure, and improving the finances of the Society; and also to consider whether any and what alterations of the existing regulations can be adopted, with advantage to the general interests of the Society.

On the 18th of February, 1807, the Committee for altering the regulations of the Society recommend the consolidation of the two Boards. If thereby the medical resident became released from the duties of secretary, a proportionate deduction from his salary was, of course, they said, to take place.

Suspension of the Society.

The secretary of the financial Board now became the secretary of the Society. He resigned his situation at the close of 1808. The resident inoculator soon found himself under the necessity of following his example. From the impoverishment of the finances, from the falling off of the inoculations, and consequently of the necessary supplies of matter, the lease, fixtures, and furniture of the Central-house were disposed of, the business of the Institution was removed first to Bolt-court, in Fleet-street, afterwards to a private house in Newgate-street. Eventually, all proceedings of the Society were formally suspended in 1810.

Resuscitation of the Society.

Year after year passing away without any statement being rendered to the Society of the funds, without any renewal of accountable officers, some of the old members, at length, in 1813, determined on its resuscitation.

They commenced with holding daily conferences, to which they publicly invited their fellow-members and the advocates of vaccination.

Advertisements inserted in the Morning Papers.

“Certain Life-Governors and other Members of the Royal Jennerian Society wishing to renew its exertions in the great and humane cause of vaccination, have agreed to hold conferences on the best mode of effecting such desirable work without delay, and hereby invite all their fellow-members to the same, with the request that they will introduce to them any friends of vaccination that may consent to accompany them. The Smallpox yet continues to rage in the metropolis, and to be thence diffused throughout the empire. The company of the advocates of vaccination to the conferences will be agreeable and encouraging. They will commence at 12 o'clock on the 21st instant, at No. 6,

Bond-court, Walbrook, and be continued from day to day, during the rest of the month.

“ London, 17, vij, 1813.

“ JOHN WALKER, Pro. Sec.”

Result of the preparatory Conferences.

“ Certain Members of the Royal Jennerian Society are disposed, from the prevalence of Smallpox, to call a General Meeting, for the purpose of renewing their exertions in the great cause of vaccination. At their request notice is hereby given, that the General Court of Wednesday, the 4th of August, will be holden at the City of London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.

“ The chair to be taken at twelve o’clock.

“ London, July 27, 1813.

“ JOHN WALKER, Pro. Sec.”

*Royal Jennerian Society, for the extermination of the Smallpox,
City of London Tavern, Bishopsgate-street.*

At the General Court, Wednesday, August 4th, 1813,

DR. BRADLEY in the Chair,

It appearing that the Resident Inoculators and Secretaries of the Society having resigned their respective offices—that the other appointed Inoculators, the Collector, and Messenger, having long ceased to act—that the time for which the late Board of Directors was elected having expired—that the Treasurer and Trustees, being of annual appointment, and several years having now passed without any election or re-election of such officers—the Royal Jennerian Society, at present, consists of a Patronage, a Presidency, and an unorganized body of Subscribers, or Governors.

The present reduced and disastrous condition of the Society having befallen it, under the changed form of its regulations, prepared and adopted in the years 1806 and 1807,

Resolved, That all the proceedings of the Society relative to such change, and subsequent to the time thereof, be cancelled, with exception of such as respect the financial concerns of the Society.

The London Vaccine Institution having succeeded, and continuing to flourish in the promotion of Vaccination,

Resolved, That the regulations of the London Vaccine Institution be adopted as the basis of the future laws of the Society, which shall be modified according to the peculiar circumstances in which this Society is placed. Accordingly it is

Resolved, That the Society have a Treasurer, Trustees, a Board of Managers, a Director, an Assistant Director or Assistant Directors, a Resident Inoculator, or Resident Inoculators, a Secretary, a Collector, and such other officers or servants as may be necessary.

For the purpose of obtaining all the advantages which can be derived from the example and experience of that effective association, the London Vaccine Institution.

Resolved, That all the Governors of this Society, who are

members of the Board of Managers of the London Vaccine Institution, be now elected members of the Board of Managers, together with the old members of the Board of Directors, and of the Medical Council now present, or who can conveniently attend the Board hereafter.

JOHN WALKER, *Sec. ad interim.*

No. 7, Union-court, Holborn-hill.

Annual General Meeting, Thursday, April 7th, 1814,

Dr. Squire in the Chair.

Preceding minutes read and confirmed.

The minutes of the Board of Managers were confirmed.

Resolved, That the Managers be continued till the next Annual General Meeting.

ADDRESS.

The Board of Managers beg leave to congratulate the members of the Royal Jennerian Society on the revival of the Royal and splendid Institution. During the days of the Society's suspension, even, when your Committee, the consolidated Board of Directors, had ceased to act, had ceased to attempt to redeem the sort of pledge (extermination of the Smallpox) on which great public bodies, as well as individuals, had so liberally contributed to the funds of the charity; under their despondency, neither fulfilling the duties committed to their care, nor resigning their places to make way for others of greater exertion and perseverance,—when the Society was altogether, for a time, without a local habitation, it never ceased to have a name. The member whom the General Meetings of last year called to, and confirmed in, the appointment of Director, has, during all the years of the Society's suspension, been continually applied to vaccinate, and to supply the matter of inoculation in the Society's name, and to the expences he has hereby incurred, certain members of the society, who have now succeeded in its restoration, have always amply contributed.

Mankind at large was interested in the prosperity of your life-preserving establishment. Seated in the metropolis of the commercial world, you have issued to every quarter of the globe the means of protection from the most direful pestilence that ever 'walked in darkness or that wasted at noon-day.' The history of your society shows that the anticipation of your first committee in their address to the public has been happily realised. 'The enlightened, the benevolent, the opulent, will doubtless vie with each other in the zealous support of an undertaking which will reflect the highest honour upon this country, and prove, by saving millions from an untimely grave, an inestimable blessing to the whole human race.'

The history of your society affords a display of goodness and condescension in the most exalted ranks of life, with a union of talent and of merit hardly to be equalled in any other association in this or in any other country.

The happy influence of your association on the public mind has been incalculable, and this in a free country like ours, where every man will do as he likes, within the law; will not be dictated to, either by church or state, may be hailed as a conquest of humanity over prejudices deleterious.

The society has been now, since its restoration, in full activity, at its central station, and the Board of Managers only wait for a further supply of pecuniary resources for the extending of stations to various parts of the metropolis, not yet locally supplied with the means of escaping the dreadful disease, which unhappily is not yet exterminated.

It appears that the cases of vaccination of the Society amount to	27,066
The number of applicants for Vaccine Ichor	19,546
Charges supplied	97,734

The receipts since the resuscitation of the Society amount to	£1749	2	0
Disbursements to	1658	18	3
Balance in favour of the Society	£90	3	9

They beg leave again to appeal to the Public for their support of the great work, which they hope at length they may see accomplished; and, to a British public, their appeal will certainly not be made in vain. In extensive continental tracts of the earth, the Smallpox have already been extirpated by Vaccination. In the island which gave birth to the happy practice, the means of completely effecting this seem to be more easy of attainment. Under this cheering persuasion, your Managers are still determined to persevere in their efforts, relying on your countenance and continued support.

The Board of Managers cannot better conclude this, their respectful address, than with the expression of the earnest expectation of the Committee, on whose recommendation, the former Boards were consolidated into one, the hope that the Society will in future possess a more extensive and commanding influence in the promotion of its humane and laudable purposes; that harmony will be maintained in all its proceedings; and that the zeal and activity of its friends will unite in a vigorous effort to procure for it a degree of support better suited to the benevolence of its design, the splendour of its patronage, and the discriminating, but exhaustless, liberality of the British Public.

Signed, by order,
and on behalf of the Board of Managers,
EDWARD PURSER, Sec.

LIST

OF

LIFE GOVERNORS.

The Subscribers are respectfully informed, that, although the Managers have used every exertion in their power to obtain their designations and addresses, yet some of the Names are deficient in these respects. Any communications or corrections, addressed to the Agent, will be thankfully received.

Those marked with * are Subscribers of Five Guineas or upwards.
 Those marked with ** are Subscribers of Ten Guineas or upwards.
 Those marked with *** are Subscribers of Twenty Guineas or upwards.

His Grace the Duke of Bedford	£100	0	0
The Corporation of the City of London	500	0	0
The East India Company	100	0	0
The Worshipful Company of Fishmongers	52	10	0
The Worshipful Company of Ironmongers	50	0	0
The War Office, Commander in Chief, H. R. H. Field Marshal the Duke of York and Albany.....	105	0	0
The Worshipful Company of Skinners	50	0	0
Doctor Walker	150	0	0
Legacy of the late John Osborne, Esq.	100	0	0
Donation of the late Rev. Dr. Bell, Prebend of West- minster	50	0	0
Legacy of the late Thomas Dent, Esq.	100	0	0
Donation of Frances Fox	50	0	0
Ditto of Allan Fox	50	0	0

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- * Combermere, Rt. Hon. Lord,
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- * Carlisle, Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop
 of, Berners-street
- * Chambre, Sir A. Lincoln's-inn-fi.
- ** Clark, Gen Sir A. GCB. Mansfi.-st.

- ** Cockburn, Sir G. M. P. Admiralty
- * Codrington, Admiral Sir Edwd.
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- ** Cartwright, General, King's-mews
- ** Corbett, W. T. Esq. Wimpole-st.

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- * Dartmouth, Rt. Hon. the Coun-
 tess of, Berkeley-square
- * De Clifford, Rt. Hon. Lord, Bru-
 ton street
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- ** Gurney, H. Esq. M.P. Glo'ster-pl.
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COWPOX INOCULATION AMONG THE ANCIENT HINDOOS.

[From the Asiatic Journal.]

We derive the following from the *Madras Courier* of the 12th January. It is the conclusion of a letter, of which the former part contains a learned exposition of the *spasmodic cholera*, collected from works in general use among Hindu medical practitioners, with the formulas of the medicines prescribed. The subject incidentally introduced merits all the prominence which it will receive by being detached.

“ As my examination of the Vaidya Sástras has been casual, and may never be repeated, I shall here notice a fact, which will add another to the many proofs of the truth of the wise man’s adage, that ‘ there is nothing new under the sun :’ it is, that the inoculation for the cowpox was known of old time to the Hindu medical writers. To substantiate this statement, it is necessary only to refer to the *Sactéya Grantham*, attributed to Dhanwantari, and therefore undoubtedly an ancient composition. In this work, after describing nine several species of the smallpox, of which three (one, Alábhi, being the confluent kind) are declared incurable, the author proceeds to lay down the rules for the practice of inoculation. From this part the following extracts are taken, of the first of which the original is given in the English character for the satisfaction of the Sanscrit scholar; and of the other, for the sake of brevity, translations only.

“ *Text.*

“ D,hénu stanya ma’súchi va Naránàn cha ma’súchicà.
Taj jalam báhumúlât cha sastrán téna grīhitavàn.
Báhumúlè cha sastráni rect’ òtpatti caráni cha.
Taj jalam recta militam spótaca jwara samb,havah.

“ *Translation.*

“ Take the fluid of the pock on the udder of a cow, or on the arm between the shoulder and elbow of a human subject, on the point of a lancet, and lance with it the arms between the shoulders and elbow until the blood appears; then mixing the fluid with the blood, the fever of the smallpox will be produced.

“ *Translation (the Sanscrit text being omitted).*

“ The smallpox produced by the fluid from the udder of a cow (Góstany’ odacum) will be of the same gentle nature as the original disease, not attended by fear, not requiring medicine; the diet may be according to the pleasure of the patient, who may be inoculated once only, or two, three, four, five, or six times. The pock when perfect should be of a good colour, filled with a clear liquid, and surrounded by a circle of red; there will then be no fear of the smallpox as long as life endures. When inoculated with the fluid from the udder of a cow, some will have a slight fever for one day, two, or three days, and with the fever there will sometimes be a slight cold

fit; the fever will also be attended by a round swelling in the armpits, and the other symptoms of the smallpox, but all of a very mild nature. There will be no danger, and the whole will disappear in three days.

“ Madras, Jan. 2, 1819.”

“ CALVI VIRUMBON.”

COWPOX INOCULATION IN THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK.

In the first number, for 1815, of the *Sleswig Blatter*, a Holstein provincial paper, there is, under the head of “ *Where was the Cowpox first inoculated?* ” an account of experiments on the cowpox inoculation, by an intelligent and zealously humane observer and teacher, of which the following is an abridgment. It is considered in Germany as perfectly authentic, and upon it claims are founded of the discovery of the antivariolous effects of the vaccine virus by inoculation, before it was known in England.

“ In 1790, Mr. Plett, now schoolmaster at Stackendorff, in the parish of Schonberg, near Kiel, was a tutor to the family of Mr. Wiese, a grazier at Schonweide, at whose house the conversation with the neighbouring graziers frequently turned on the cowpox. The mother-in-law of Mr. W. declared that she had had the cowpox in her youth, and that she never was infected with the smallpox, although she had attended her children in that disorder. Several of the relations and some of the female servants had experienced the same protection; and the conviction among the country people was to the same effect. Nobody doubted it; and Plett, from all he had heard, was firmly persuaded of the cowpox being a preventive from the smallpox. In 1791, Plett left Wiese’s, and was engaged in the same capacity by Mr. Martini, farmer at Hasleberg. Amongst his pupils were two girls, of eleven and twelve years of age; neither of whom had had the smallpox, of which they were much afraid. At this time it happened that the milk-maids had the cowpox, which they had received from the cows; and at this they had expressed great pleasure. Two of Martini’s daughters went to the cow-house, and rubbed themselves with the pocks then on the cows; but without any effect. Plett had seen the smallpox inoculated, not long before, at Preetz. He now asked his pupils if they would like to be inoculated with the cowpox; and told them that he knew how to inoculate, and would make a trial without the knowledge of their parents, who were much prejudiced against variolous inoculation.

“ Two of the daughters, Hedwig and Margaret, and one of the sons, Charles, accepted the offer. Plett then examined the cows, and the pocks on their teats; and, finding a cow on whom the pustules appeared ripe, he opened one with his pen-knife, collected the issuing lymph upon a piece of wood, and returned to his room. He then made an incision between the thumb and fore-finger of each

pupil, as he had seen done at Preetz, and rubbed the lymph on the fresh wounds. Three days after, an inflammation took place, and red spots were perceived; and soon after the cowpox appeared with a red periphery. The disease went on, the children continued well, and in about a fortnight all was safely over.

“ In the year 1793, Plett left this place, and went to the seminary of Schoolmasters at Kiel. Here, one day in 1794 or 1795, he accidentally met Mr. Martini; who told him, that since he left him, his family had been seized with the smallpox, which had been very malignant; but he learnt, to his inexpressible joy, that the children he had vaccinated escaped all infection.”

SEE, the sad mother o'er yon cradle bends,
 And many a plaintive sigh to Heav'n she sends.
 Dear Innocent! those eyes once more unclose;
 Let their sweet lustre heal thy mother's woes;
 Give me that hand which to my lips I press'd,
 When hung my babe, with comfort, on my breast.
 —But ah! how swoln, deformed, encrusted o'er!
 Those little fingers play, alas! no more.
 Late as I gaz'd upon thy cherub face,
 'Twas rapture to my soul its charms to trace;
 Joyous thy smiles, the dimple on thy cheek,
 Seem'd Nature's purest harmony to speak:
 Where is that dimple now? It plays no more:
 Alas! the purple fiend has mask'd it o'er!
 Soon may thy tortured flesh to earth be given:
 Soon may thy spirit reach its native heaven.

Where minds of doubt and dark'ning error pause;
 Ignorance breaks through Superstition's laws,
 Inquires, amidst this wide tremendous wreck,
 Is there no arm to save, no power to check?
 Asks, will Smallpox for ever curse mankind,
 Disfigure beauty, and the vision blind:
 Sweep with fell pow'r its victims to the grave,
 And mock Humanity's best skill to save?
 Let Egypt, Greece, and Rome their trophies hide:
 BRITAIN!—thy HARVEY traced Life's crimson tide:
 Thy NEWTON told us Nature's wondrous ways:
 A GRATEFUL WORLD resounds OUR JENNER's praise.

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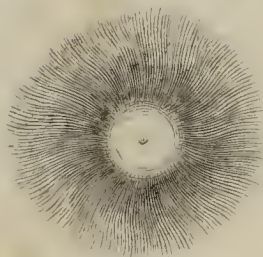
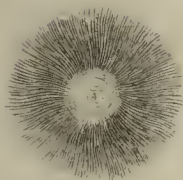
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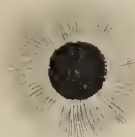
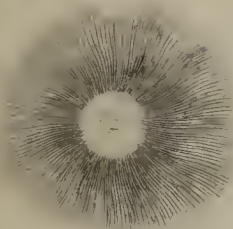
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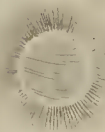
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