

REPORT
OF THE
**MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY'S
HOSPITAL**

IN CANTON, CHINA,

FOR THE YEAR 1877.

BY

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The table gives the aggregate of the attendance on prescribing days, or, more properly, dispensing days.

OUT-PATIENTS FOR 1877.

	<i>Males.</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
January	530	189	719
February	810	300	1,110
March	800	200	1,000
April	1,610	700	2,310
May	1,620	650	2,270
June	2,414	860	3,274
July	2,500	700	3,200
August	2,385	475	2,860
September	2,510	506	3,016
October	2,000	674	2,674
November	2,270	340	2,610
December	1,000	400	1,400
<i>Total</i> ,	20,449	5,994	26,443

There is an increase this year of both out-patients and in-patients, the table below showing the number, who have been received into the Hospital wards for treatment both Medical and Surgical.

IN-PATIENTS FOR 1877.

	<i>Males</i>	<i>Females.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
January	46	20	66
February	50	20	70
March	40	28	68
April	70	60	130
May	61	41	102
June	68	21	89
July	50	19	69
August	75	33	108
September.....	70	18	88
October	88	8	96
November	66	51	117
December	50	61	131
<i>Total,.....</i>	734	360	1,094

Total number of patients treated at Hospital and Dispensaries during 1877 over 38,000.

In the list of out-patients, the in-patients are included.

The following list gives the number of operations performed at the Hospital during the year.

Lithotomy	67
Lithotrity	2
Cataract	89
Conching—Soft Cataract	10
Ireductomy	16
Extraction of Urethral Calculi	3
Entropium	330
Pterygium	4
Staphyloma	4
Hare Lip.....	18
Excision of Tumors, (small).....	20
" " (large).....	4
" " (encysted)	10
" " (cancerous).....	3

Carried forward..... 580

	<i>Brought forward</i>	580
Excision of Female Breast		6
" " Eye Ball, (cancerous)		2
Enucleation of Eye Ball		1
Excision of Elephantiasis of Penis		4
" " " " Scrotum		1
Amputation of Leg		1
" " Penis		8
" " Toe		6
" " Finger		8
Reduction of Dislocated Leg		4
" " Broken Arm		6
" " " Leg		4
" " " Patella		1
Operation of Necrosis		40
Extraction of Teeth		300
" " Nasal Polypus.....		2
" " Bullet		8
Tapping Ascites.....		20
" Hydrocele		10
Operation for Slit Ear		21
" " Fistula in Ano		22
" " Fistulous Ulcers		12
Catheterization for Retentions of Urine		40
Lancing Abscesses.....		275
Operation for Ovarian Tumor		4
Circumcision for Phymosis		23

Total Number of Surgical Operations ..1,409

The following diseases have been presented for treatment at the Hospital during the year both by in and out-patients:

Diseases of the Skin.

Scabies	Gelatio	Furunculus
Leprosy	Kelis	Sudamina
Elephantiasis	Erythema	Puritus
Rupia	Vaccinia	Clavus
Erysipelas	Prurigo	Sycosis
Ambustio	Eczema	Anthrax
Lupus	Purpura	Impetigo
Lichen	Herpes	Herpes Zoster
Variola	Verruca	Acne
Urticaria		

Zymotic Diseases.

Intermittent Fever	Typhoid Fever	Dysentery.
Remittent Fever	Diarrhœa	

Diseases of the Urinary System.

Nephritis	Haematuria	Diabetes
	Æbumenuria.	

Diseases of the Generative System.

Stricture	Gonorrhœa
Syphilis (Primary)	Bubo
Syphilis (Secondary)	Involuntary Seminal Emissions
Syphilis (Tertiary)	Mucous Pustules
	Syphilitic Vegetations.

Diseases of the Respiratory System.

Phthisis	Laryngitis
Pleuritis	Nervous Aphonia
Pneumonitis	Emphysema of the Lungs
Bronchitis	Pulmonary Hemorrhage
	Ædema of the Glottis.

Diseases of the Circulatory System.

Hypertrophy of the Heart	Aneurism
Atrophy of the Heart	Endocarditis
Fatty degeneration of the Heart	Chalky deposits on the valves of the Heart
Pericarditis	Varicose Veins.

Diseases of the Nervous System.

Congestion of the Brain	Neuritis
Cerebro Meningitis	Neuralgia
Paralysis	Softening of the Brain
Hemiplegia	Vertigo
Paraplegia	Epilepsy
Apoplexy	Catelepsy
Glossolabial Paralysis	Tetanus.

Diseases of the Digestive System.

Gastritis	Gastrorrhagia
Enteritis	Passage of Gall Stone
Carcinoma of Stomach	Constipation
Obstruction from Impacted Fæces	Cholera
	Ascaris Lumbricoides
Rarotiditis	Fatty Liver
Induration and Enlargement of Spleen	Jaundice
	Hepatitis.
	Dyspepsia

The details of cases of Urinary Calculus are shown by the following tables.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF URINARY CALCULUS FOR 1877.

No.	Age.	Occupation.	Duration.	Chemical composition.	Weight.			Result.
					Oz.	Dr.	Sc.	
493	16	.....	4 years	Uric Acid	1	...	...	Recovery
494	31	Laborer	1 "	"	...	2	3	"
495	20	"	3 "	"	...	4	...	"
496	4	.....	6 months	"	...	3	1	"
497	9	.....	1 year	"	...	2	2	"
498	12	.....	3 "	"	...	1	1	"
499	16	.....	2 "	"	...	1	...	"
500	25	Laborer	10 "	"	...	1	...	"
501	65	"	18 "	Phosphates	...	3	1	"
502	6	.....	6 months	Uric Acid	...	1	1	"
503	31	Laborer	2 years	"	...	2	...	"
504	31	Boatman	3 "	"	...	3	1	"
505	31	Farmer	2 "	"	...	4	1	"
506	36	Boatman	4 "	"	...	6	2	"
507	39	"	1 "	"	...	2	1½	"
508	43	"	6 "	"	1	1	1	"
509	61	"	10 "	"	...	1	1½	"
510	21	"	2 "	"	...	2	2	Died
511	31	"	2 "	"	...	1	0	Recovery
512	41	"	6 "	"	1	...	1	"
513	14	.....	1 "	"	...	2	½	"
514	16	.....	1 "	"	...	3	0	"
515	9	.....	2 "	"	...	7	1½	"
516	44	Laborer	4 "	"	...	4	0	"

TABULAR STATEMENT OF ORINARY CALCULUS.—(Continued.)

No.	Age.	Occupation.	Duration.	Chemical composition.	Weight.			Result.
					Oz.	Dr.	Sc.	
517	40	Farmer	14 years	Uric Acid	1	2	2	Recovery
518	41	"	2 "	"	...	1	0	Lithotrixy
519	42	Boatman	1 "	"	...	2	1	Recovery
520	51	"	6 "	"	...	4	1	"
521	18	"	2 "	"	...	6	½	"
522	10	"	1 "	"	...	4	2	"
523	71	Boatman	1 "	"	...	...	2	"
524	11	"	6 months	"	...	1	1½	Recovery
525	19	"	2 years	"	...	2	1½	"
526	16	"	2 "	"	1½	...	...	Died
527	61	Farmer	2 "	"	...	4	1	Recovery
528	43	Teacher	2 "	"	...	3	1	"
529	31	Shopkeeper	4 "	"	...	6	2	"
530	22	Boatman	10 "	"	...	1	2	"
531	41	"	11 "	"	1	6	2	Died
532	61	"	1 "	"	...	4	1	Recovery
533	8	"	1 "	"	...	3	2	"
534	19	"	9 months	"	...	4	2	"
535	27	Boatman	1 year	"	...	3	1	"
536	8	"	2 "	"	...	3	2	"
537	71	Scholar	3 "	"	...	1	1	"
538	41	"	9 "	"	...	1	2	"
539	36	Boatman	6 "	"	...	1	2	"
540	3	"	3 months	"	...	1	0	Died

TABULAR STATEMENT OF URINARY CALCULUS.—(Continued.)

No.	Age.	Occupation.	Duration.	Chemical composition.	Weight.			Result.
					Oz.	Dr.	Sc.	
541	40	Laborer	8 months	Uric Acid	...	3	0	Recovery
542	21	Boatman	8 year	"	...	1	0	Lithotrixy
543	43	"	4 "	"	...	4	1½	Recovery
544	44	"	3 "	"	...	2	1	"
545	46	"	2 "	"	...	4	1	"
546	19	"	2 "	"	...	2	1½	"
547	21	"	2 "	"	...	5	2	"
548	76	Teacher	8 "	"	...	1	1	"
549	41	Boatman	9 "	"	...	6	1	"
550	24	"	6 "	"	...	3	2	"
551	51	"	6 "	"	...	4	1	"
552	9	"	4 "	"	...	1	0	"
553	18	"	4 "	"	...	2	0	"
554	24	Boatman	3 "	Phosphates	...	1	1	"
555	67	Farmer	14 "	Uric Acid	...	3	2	"
556	80	Boatman	10 "	"	2	4	2½	"
557	10	"	3 "	"	...	4	2	"
558	19	"	3 "	"	...	2	2	"
559	23	Boatman	6 "	"	...	4	2	"
560	41	"	4 "	"	...	5	1	"
561	41	"	8 "	"	...	1	1	"

OVARIAN TUMOR.

CASE I.—Patient aet 32.—First noticed that the abdomen was increasing in size 9 months before the operation. When admitted for treatment her general health was good. The tumor was easily felt, occupying the left umbilical region extending beyond the Linea Alba. Four days after admission was placed on the operating table and upon cutting down found the tumor without adhesions and simple. Five weeks after operating the patient left the Hospital cured.

CASE II.—Patient aet 43, who, after being under treatment in the wards for three weeks was operated upon and the pedicle of the tumor treated by the clamp and not as in Case I by double ligature.

This case was as favorable at the time of operation and for two days after as the foregoing case, yet while everything seemed equal in the two cases, case II died.

There seemed to be nothing wrong with the pedicle (which was long and hence treated by the clamp) and I could only ascribe her death to what Peaslee calls “the unfavorable influences of Hospital arrangement.” These cases of Ovarian Tumor should not only be isolated, but the room in which they are to be placed after the operation should be of such size as that the temperature can be kept equable.

CASE III.—Was without complications and made a good recovery.

CASE IV.—Aet 40. The pedicle was found gangrenous and hence death followed the operation in $6\frac{1}{2}$ days.

During the year a ward has been given to the reception of opium smokers and over 250 have been received. We can know but little of these patients after they leave the Hospital, but would suppose that $\frac{1}{3}$ of the number admitted are effectually cured.

A daily morning religious service is held in the chapel of the Hospital, and while the patients are not compelled to attend, yet it is expected of those who are not confined to their beds. This service is conducted by a native preacher, who was under Rev. C. F. Preston till the death of the latter, but is now under the charge of the Rev. B. C. Henry. Religious books and tracts are supplied to the patients who can read.

The medical class at the Hospital numbers 13. Since my last report two pupils have been granted letters of proficiency, one of whom was engaged by a Mandarin to accompany him and his family into Kwang-Si province as his physician—and the other is practicing Medicine in Canton. These young men are pupils at the Hospital for

three years with the advantages of practical surgery daily together with our own books translated into the Chinese. They make very expert Surgeons. Four new students have been received during the year.

I have much satisfaction in announcing a material increase in the native subscriptions for this year, for which the society is indebted to the personal influence of the American Consul, exercised in his intercourse with the higher Officials. I have therefore special gratification in acknowledging Mr. Lincoln's timely good offices in this particular as well as those of Sir Brook Robertson in former years.

The review of the year's experience had been of unalloyed satisfaction as encouraging the hope of more extended usefulness in the future of the Society, were there not also on the record the death of one of its most assiduous Vice Presidents, the Rev. C. F. Preston, who, as a member of the Standing Committee for several years and as preacher in the Hospital Chapel for a much longer period, had greatly contributed to its popularity and usefulness. It is therefore with the deepest regret that we have to record the death of one of our members, who, while being a thorough Christian and conscientious Missionary, was at the same time an affable gentleman, always seeking to advance the working of the Society and to confer benefits upon all with whom he came in contact.

The Hospital buildings and the Physician's residence are in good repair. On two occasions during the year the wards were found to be too small to accommodate the patients. This occurred in the month of July when the weather was warm, so that the patients, who could not find room in the buildings, were accommodated on the verandahs. This would answer in most cases, but it might occur that even the mild night air of July would be scarcely suitable for patients affected by different types of malaria. This would suggest the building of new wards, but the Physician would recommend waiting until the summer season, at which time the Hospital wards are full, and then the Standing Committee could visit the Hospital and suggest the best method of providing for patients who can find no room in the wards which exist at present.

I am glad to state that during the year we have had a large number of visitors at the Hospital to see its wards and the different methods of treatment practised in it. Many of our regular subscribers also have visited frequently, and I am much gratified at this, as I think it encourages the assistants and shows them that an interest is felt in their work.

Dr.

Medical Missionary Society in Account Current with Flemming Carrow, M.D.

Cr.

1877		
Dec. 31,	To Wages, Medicines, Sundries	\$1,171.14
" 31,	" Insurance, Repairs, Poor Patients...	104.07
" 31,	" Chinese Medicine & Kitchen account	219.55
" 31,	" Printing	83.25
" 31,	" Sai-nam Dispensary.....	150.00
		\$1,728.01

1877		
Dec. 31,	By Balance from last year	\$ 71.69
" 31,	" Cash from Patients & Sale of Books.	124.44
Jan. 24,	" Cash from Russell & Co.....	300.00
" 22,	" Cash for Sai-nam Dispensary.....	150.00
" 24,	" Cash from Russell & Co.....	500.00
Apr. 28,	" Cash from Russell & Co.....	25.00
May 12,	" Cash from Russell & Co.....	400.00
		\$1,571.13
Dec. 31,	" Balance due me	156.88
		\$1,728.01

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CANTON, 17th January, 1878.

Audited and found correct,
 J. McLEAVY BROWN,
 Auditor.

Dr.

Medical Missionary Society in Account Current with Russell & Co.

Cr.

1877			1876		
Jan. 22,	To paid G. Nye's order favor Dr. Carrow.	\$ 150.00	Dec. 30,	By Balance of former account due Dec.	
" 24,	" " " "	300.00	1877	31st, 1876	\$ 276.46
" 24,	" " " "	500.00	Dec. 29,	" Received from F. R. Talbot, sub-	
Apr. 28,	" " " "	25.00		scriptions for 1876	1,072.63
May 12,	" " " "	400.00	" 29,	" Received from F. R. Talbot, sub-	
				scriptions for 1877	1,584.40
	Due by average Feb. 26th, 1877	1,375.00	" 29,	" Received from F. R. Talbot, sub-	
	Interest on \$1,375.00 Feb, 26th,			scriptions for 1877	65.00
	1877 to Dec. 31st, 1877=308				
	days at 6%	\$69.62		Due by average Nov. 26th, 1877	\$2,998.49
	Less \$2,998.49 Nov. 26th to Dec.				
	31st, 1877=35 days at 6% ...	17.25			
		52.32			
Dec. 31,	Total carried to n/a due Dec. 31st, 1877.	1,571.17			
		\$2,998.49			\$2,998.49

December 31st.—By balance of account this date brought forward per date \$1,571.17

Subscriptions which do not appear in this account for 1877. \$ 161.87

E. & O. E. .

RUSSELL & Co.

J. McLEAVY BROWN,

Audited and found correct.

The Dispensaries of the Hospital give returns as follows :—

FU-MUN :—

Total number of patients	3,100
Operations.....	120

TUNG-KUN :—

Total Number of patients	5,000
Operations.....	100

FUK-WING :—not heard from.

Chinese Medicine for the above dispensaries \$18.43.



REPORT
OF THE
Medical Missionary Society's Dispensary
AT SAI NAM
FOR 1877
BY
REV. R. H. GRAVES. M.D.

DURING the past year the Medical Missionary Society's Dispensary has been kept open as heretofore. It has been under the charge of Mr. Ch'an who has discharged his duties satisfactorily.

The religious services have been conducted as usual and one man has been baptized during the year.

The total number of patients, who have visited the Dispensary, has been 2,729, a slight increase over last year. They are classified by the assistant in charge as follows :—

	<i>Eye diseases.</i>	<i>Other diseases.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
Men.....	273	1,009	1,282
Women	316	737	1,053
Children	88	266	354
	677	2,012	2,689

Besides these, 40 patients have had surgical operations performed on them. These are as follows :—

Entropium	13
Iridectomy	4
Teeth extracted	4
Tumor removed from gum	1
" " finger.....	1
" " lip	1
" " 	1
Stricture of urethra	1
Abscesses lanced	3
Harelip	3
Slit ear	8
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	40

The Expenses for the year have been as follows:—

<i>Dr.</i>	
Recit Sai Nam Dispensary	\$37.35
Assistants	76.50
Coolie.....	18.00
Chinese Medicines	3.30
Taxes, Travelling expenses, &c.	10.51
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	\$145.96
Due me last year	10.84
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	\$156.80
<i>Cr.</i>	
Received from Messrs. Russell & Co., being appropriation for 1877	\$150.00
Due me	6.80
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	\$156.80

R. H. GRAVES.

The following resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the Society held in Canton, January 17th, 1877:—

Whereas in the providence of God, since the last meeting of the Society, the Rev. C. F. Preston, one of its Vice Presidents, has died—

Resolved—that we express the sense we entertain of his useful and lengthy career in promotion of the purposes of the Society, both as an Officer of it and as the Preacher in the Chapel of the Hospital, and that we recognise the general sense of loss to society felt in the community on the decease of one of its most estimable members.

Resolved—that the foregoing tribute to his worth, with the expression of our sympathy with the sorrow and regret of his family and friends, be communicated to his widow and children by the Secretary.

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The resolutions were presented by G. Nye, Esq., and carried unanimously.

MINUTES
OF THE
39th Annual Meeting
OF THE
MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY
IN CHINA.

The 39th Annual Meeting of this Society was held in Canton at the house of Messrs. Olyphant & Co. on Thursday, January 17th, 1878.

The meeting was called to order by Sir Brook Robertson, after which, by motion, the minutes of the last meeting were adopted as printed in the Annual Report.

The account current of the Treasurers was then presented and accepted on motion of Archdeacon Gray seconded by Mr. Sampson. The receipts and expenditures will be found on page 11 of this report.

The following abstracts from the report upon the work of the Hospital and Dispensaries were presented.

The work of the Hospital has been continued without interruption; the out-patients being received on Mondays and Fridays, as usual.

There have been received at the Hospital in Canton during the year 26,443 patients. Of whom 1,094 were in-patients.

The total number of operations performed is 1,409, a classified list of which will be found on page 2.

The work at the Dispensaries in connection with the Hospital is found to be as follows:—

FU-MUN-DISPENSARY:—

Total number of patients	3,100
Operations	120

TUNG-KUN DISPENSARY:—

Total number of patients	5,000
Operations	100

FUK-WING DISPENSARY:—

SAI-NAM DISPENSARY:—

Total number of patients	2,729
Operations	40

This gives a total of over 38,000 patients, who have applied for Medical treatment and 1,700 surgical operations during the year, a large increase as compared with last year.

The operations for Urinary calculus have been successful as heretofore, showing a proportion of but 4 deaths in 69 operations.

The class of Medical students at the Hospital now number 13. Since the last meeting two have been granted letters of proficiency and 4 new students taken into the class.

The ward for Opium smokers has been kept open during the year as heretofore and about 250 patients have been received into it, about $\frac{1}{3}$ of which number have been cured and have returned to the Hospital at intervals of one month to allow us to determine, when possible, if the cure is a permanent one. We pay the travelling expenses of these patients for the sake of obtaining statistics.

The religious services in the Hospital Chapel have been conducted since the late Mr. Preston's death, by Rev. B. C. Henry, and Missionary work in its different branches is carried on as heretofore. Religious books and Tracts are furnished to the patients and there are native teachers who explain the doctrines of Christianity to the patients.

The account of the Surgeon in charge for current expenses, &c., &c. will be found on page 10.

On motion of Mr. McLeavy Brown seconded by Mr. Piercy the report was accepted and the usual number ordered to be printed in English and Chinese.

The report of the Standing Committee was presented by Mr. Sampson in which he spoke of the loss the Committee

and the whole Society had sustained in the death of Mr. Preston, and further, of the good state of repair in which he now finds the property of the Society.

On motion of Mr. Nye seconded by Mr. Lincoln the report was accepted.

The estimates for the year were then presented as follows:—

As excess over appropriation for 1877.....	353.01
Current expenses for Hospital and Dispensaries	.1,400.00
Sai-nam Dispensary	160.00
Total.....	<u>1,913.01</u>

On motion of Mr. Sampson seconded by Dr. Graves the estimates were approved.

Moved by Dr. Carrow and seconded by Mr. Lincoln that Mr. T. B. Cunningham be elected to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee caused by the death of the Rev. C. F. Preston. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Dr. Happer and seconded by Dr. Carrow that the list of the other officers remain as printed last year. To this motion Mr. Nye offered the following amendment which was accepted by Dr. Happer. That the name of Mr. Cordes be dropped from the list of Vice Presidents and that the name of Wm. von Pustau be added instead. Also that Mr. T. B. Cunningham and Rev. Geo. Piercy be elected Vice Presidents. The motion as amended was carried.

The list of officers is as follows:—

President.—Thomas R. Colledge, M.D., F.R.S.E.D (in England).

Senior Vice-President.—Hon. P. Parker, M.D., R.S.I. (in United States).

Second Vice-President.—John G. Kerr, M.D. (in United States).

Vice-Presidents.—Sir Brooke Robertson, C.B.; Ven Archdeacon Grey, LL.D.; Hon. W. Keswick; W. H. Forbes, Esq.; G. Nye, Esq.; Hon. H. Lowcock; Hon. P. Ryrie; H. L. Dalrymple, Esq.; F. R. Talbot, Esq.; E. Deacon, Esq.; T. Mercer, Esq.; G. B. Glover, Esq.; J. H. Hart, Esq.; Theophilus Sampson, Esq.; Rev. A. P. Happer, D.D.; Rev. J. Chalmers, M.A.; Rev. C. F. Preston, M.A.; C. P. Lincoln, Esq.; U. S. Consul; Rev. R. H. Graves, M.D.; Wm. von Pustau, Esq.; T. B. Cunningham, Esq.; Rev. Geo. Piercy.

In Europe.—Rev. Professor Legge, D.D., LL.D.; Richard von Carlowitz, Esq. In United States.—S. Wells Williams, LL.D.; W. Delano, Esq.

Secretary.—J. Flemming Carrow, M.D.

Treasurers.—Messrs. Russell & Co.

Auditor.—The Commissioner of Customs, Acting.

The Standing Committee remains as before, viz: Messrs. Sampson and Talbot with the addition of the name of Mr. Cunningham.

The regular business having been concluded, Mr. C. P. Lincoln (U. S. Consul) addressed the meeting, during which he said—

“I cannot conceive that my action in soliciting and securing subscriptions from the native officials in aid of our Hospital is entitled to such special mention as has been made by Dr. Carrow in his Report. My action in the matter was prompted by the same feeling, which doubtless prompts each gentleman present to be present in the interest of our Hospital, an institution which has and is accomplishing much in opening the way for our Missionary friends, who are engaged in the good work of propagating religious doctrines among a people sadly in need of them.”

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In alluding to the changes which had taken place since our last annual meeting he said:

“One year ago severe illness deprived us of the presence and service, as presiding Officer, of our friend and my honorable colleague Sir Brook Robertson. I know I speak the sentiments of each one present when I say I am glad indeed to see him with us to-day, for, if rumors are to be credited, this will be the last annual meeting of our Society during his residence among us, for, just as health has been restored, to him, just as he is again able to mingle with his friends, the great Government, which he has so long and so successfully represented, shows its recognition, its high appreciation of his valuable services by creating an office of a higher grade and requesting him to discharge the duties of it. This promotion must be gratifying to my colleague as well as to his many friends. We all most cheerfully congratulate him, though it is a great loss to us, as it necessitates his permanent withdrawal from our community, where he has been so long and so favorably known. Another change of a very different character has taken place—one that filled the hearts of many of us with sadness. It has been already alluded to by the adoption of Resolutions (see page 15) which met my most hearty and cordial approval. As we look about us how soon we discover the absence, and miss from among us that rising and joyful face of one, who for so many years has labored with a will for the prosperity of our

Hospital. One year ago Mr. Preston was with us, he was present then as a member of this Society and of its Standing Committee, but to-day he is gone—the hand of death has been laid upon us and robbed us of one of the best of our number—robbed this community—the mission with which he was connected, the people with whom and for whom he labored, and a loving and interesting family of a true, able and devoted friend. None who had the pleasure of his acquaintance knew him but to love him and admire his many noble qualities of both heart and mind. Others who were of our number have sought and found fields of labor elsewhere, while the accessions to our Society have been equal if not greater in numbers than our losses.”

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“Much of the success of our Hospital is due to the skill and good judgment of Dr. Kerr, who, as Surgeon in charge, labored for so long a period for its prosperity—and I am indeed glad to say that in his successor, Dr Carrow, we have found one fully competent, and in every respect the peer of his predecessor, and in whose hands the supporters of the Hospital feel that its continued prosperity is ensured. From the Annual Report just presented, we learn that during the year, thousands of suffering humanity have applied to him for relief and that their applications have not been in vain—for in many instances they have been relieved of sufferings, which could not have been alleviated by any form of practice known to the native physicians.”

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After assuring those present that he believed the native Authorities would continue to subscribe liberally to the support of the Hospital, as great good was being accomplished and the natives solely benefited, he concluded by saying:—

“I trust this Society may increase in numbers and that the Institution under our charge may in time become an endowed one, thereby securing its establishment on a sure and permanent basis, for I believe, gentlemen, if the minds of the natives of this great Empire are ever hoisted (if I may use that expression) out of the darkness of superstition into the avenues of thought, illuminated with the sunshine of Christianity, the Medical Hospital will prove to be one of the principal levers by which the great work will be accomplished.”

Sir Brook Robertson replied "that it was indeed the last time he would meet with us owing to his permanent withdrawal from Canton, and that while his anticipated visit to England was gratifying, yet it is with many regrets that he leaves friends and pleasant acquaintances here, but that if after reaching home he should be asked regarding mission work in China, he would reply that it is in good hands." After thanking the Society for its attention and Mr. Consul Lincoln for his remarks, he adjourned the meeting.

SIR BROOK ROBERTSON,
Chairman.

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