American and Dutch Oto-laryngologists in the movement. The result has been very gratifying. Dr. Mayer has sent Sir Felix a preliminary subscription of £100, raised among American Oto-laryngologists, under the auspices of the Presidents of the various special societies, with himself as treasurer, with the pleasing intelligence that an equal amount may be expected later.

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NOTES AND QUERIES.

“MY STEP-CHILD, OTO-LARYNGOLOGY.”

One can imagine Madam Medicine using these words to introduce Oto-Laryngology to the world at large on certain State and ceremonial occasions.

To some of our readers the phrase may perhaps sound rather like an echo of “old unhappy far-off things, and battles long ago,” as quite a few years have elapsed since even a mild protest has had to be uttered at any neglect of our speciality in general circles.

But it happens now and then that, in spite of all its prominence in the van of the advance-guard of Medicine, Oto-Laryngology has still occasionally to submit to such neglect as would suggest that in the ideas of some of our confrères, even at this time of day and after all we have done, we still must occupy the unhonoured place of a child born to the bar sinister.

Here, for example, we have the last issue for the year that is just gone of our respected contemporary, the Lancet (December 30, 1916) in a periscopic view of the activities of medicine during 1916, finding room for an account of things done in “Surgery,” “Obstetrics and Gynaecology,” “Ophthalmology,” “Neurology,” “Electro-Therapeutics,” including also reports from remote corners like “Tropical and Exotic Medicine,” but omitting any mention whatever of any work in Oto-Laryngology, save where a brief and passing glance is made, under the heading of “Surgery,” at some of Mr. Irwin Moore’s new endoscopic instruments.

Even in the allusions to shell-shock there is no suggestion that the voice or the hearing is ever affected.

Is it because no progress has been made in our speciality during the year? Or is it possible that the “Twilight Sleep” of the Obstetric Section has extended the range of its activities and has fallen upon the Oto-Laryngological correspondent of the Lancet?

Or is it simply that Oto-Laryngology was forgotten?

At all events we venture to express the hope, now that attention has been directed to it, that the omission will be made good by another year. And in the meantime we can, without displaying any undue conceit, advise all who desire to learn what progress our speciality has made in 1916 to consult the files of the Journal of Laryngology, Rhinology, and Otolaryngology.—D. M.
THE LATE SIR THOMAS SMITH, OF BART.'s.

The following anecdotes of Tom Smith are culled from a number of others told by Mr. Gerard Smith, M.R.C.S., in the St. Bartholomew's Hospital Journal for January, 1917:

He had no reverence for drugs. I remember him calling to (then) Dr. Lauder Brunton in the Hospital Square: "I say, Brunton, I want you to give me a drug to inhibit a patient's vaso-motor what's-his-name!" On another occasion he asked me to write him a prescription for a gargle for his private patients. I did so. Some days later he met me in the Square and said: "I say, my covey, that gargle dissolves all my patients' teeth! Write me another!"

"The tonsils, gentlemen, by the will of a beneficent providence, have the function of earning fees for surgeons," was a dictum of Tom Smith's.

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