vaccinator to a "birth fee." The public vaccinators, on the other hand, maintain that Article 3 (2) distinctly includes such cases as the word "child" means by definition in the order, "any person not more than 14 years of age."

GRANTS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

THE Council of the British Medical Association desire to remind members of the profession engaged in researches for the advancement of medicine and the allied sciences that they are prepared to receive applications for grants in aid of such research. Applications for sums to be granted at the next annual meeting must include details of the precise character and objects of the research which is proposed and must be made on or before June 15th in writing addressed to the General Secretary, at the office of the Association, 429, Strand, W.C.

Reports of work done by the assistance of Association grants belong to the Association.

RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Council of the British Medical Association are prepared to receive applications for one of the three Research Scholarships which is vacant, of the value of £150 per annum, tenable for one year, and subject to renewal by the Council for another year.

ERNEST HART MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP.

The Council are also prepared to receive applications for a scholarship of £200 for the study of some subject in the Department of State Medicine in memory of the late Mr. Ernest Hart.

Applications must be sent in writing on or before June 15th, stating the particulars of the intended research, qualifications and work done.

Forms of application for the scholarships can be obtained from the General Secretary.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

429, Strand, London, April 12th, 1899.

ASSOCIATION INTELLIGENCE.

COUNCIL.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING.

A SPECIAL Meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Room of the Association, at No. 429, Strand (corner of Agar Street), London, on Friday, the 12th day of May next, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to consider the recommendation of the special meeting of the Parliamentary Bills Committee held on March 24th last respecting the Medical Acts Amendment Bill.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

429, Strand, April 18th, 1899.

NOTICE OF QUARTERLY MEETINGS OF COUNCIL.

MEETINGS of the Council will be held on July 12th and October 11th, 1899. Candidates for election by the Council of the Association must send in their forms of application to the General Secretary not later than twenty-one days before each meeting—namely, June 22nd and September 21st, 1899.

ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

Any qualified medical practitioner, not disqualified by any by-law of the Association, who shall be recommended as eligible by any three members, may be elected a member by the Council or by any recognised Branch Council.

Candidates seeking election by a Branch Council should apply to the Secretary of the Branch. No members can be elected by a Branch Council unless their names have been inserted in the circular summoning the meeting at which they seek election.

FRANCIS FOWKE, *General Secretary.*

LIBRARY OF THE BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

MEMBERS are reminded that the Library and Writing Rooms of the Association are now fitted up for the accommodation

of the Members in commodious apartments, at the office of the Association, 429, Strand. The rooms are open from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M. Members can have their letters addressed to them at the office.

BRANCH MEETINGS TO BE HELD.

SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SURREY DISTRICT.—The next meeting of this District will be held at the Greyhound Hotel, Croydon, on Thursday, May 11th, at 4 P.M.; Dr. S. Parsons Smith (of Croydon) in the chair. Agenda.—Minutes of Upper Norwood meeting. To decide when and where the next meeting shall be held and to nominate a member of the Branch to take the chair thereat. Papers, etc.: Dr. Mitchell Bruce: The early diagnosis and treatment of Tuberculosis. Mr. W. J. Walsham: Some remarks on the operative treatment of various internal Derangements of the Knee Joint. Dr. William Duncan: Some practical remarks on Uterine Hemorrhage. Messrs. Burroughs, Wellcome and Co., will show some of their recent and improved productions. Members desirous of exhibiting specimens or reading notes of cases are invited to communicate at once with the Honorary Secretary. Dinner at 6 P.M.; charge 7s., exclusive of wine. All members of the South Eastern Branch are entitled to attend, and to introduce professional friends. N.B.—The Honorary Secretary would be much obliged if members would kindly inform him whether they intend, if possible, to be present at the meeting, and if likely to remain to dinner.—HENRY J. PRANGLEY, Tudor House, Anerley, S.E., Honorary Secretary.

SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH: EAST SUSSEX DISTRICT.—The next meeting will be held at the Calverley Hotel, Tunbridge Wells, on Thursday, May 11th, at 5 P.M., Mr. J. B. Footner, in the chair. Dinner at 7 o'clock. Charge 6s., without wine. The following papers have been promised: Dr. de Havilland Hall: Cardiac Failure. Mr. E. H. Myddelton-Gavey: Possible Errors of Diagnosis in Ophthalmic Cases. Dr. Starling: A note on Diphtheria. Dr. Vise will also read a paper. The Chairman will exhibit patients, and Mr. C. Lammiman will show biliary and vesical calculi. J. W. BATTERHAM, M.B., Bank House, Grand Parade, St. Leonards, Honorary District Secretary.

SOUTH EASTERN BRANCH: NORTH KENT DISTRICT.—A meeting of this District will be held in the Council Chamber, Urban District Council, Beckenham, on Thursday, May 4th, at 3.45 P.M., Mr. F. Sheyes in the chair. The following papers have been promised: 1. Mr. Ashley W. Barrett, M.B., Methods of Relieving trouble from Impacted Wisdom Teeth; 2. Dr. Alex. Macgregor (North London Hospital for Consumption and Diseases of the Chest), The Pathology and Treatment of Phthisis. All members of the South-Eastern Branch are entitled to attend and to introduce professional friends.—A. TENNYSON SMITH, M.D., Orpington, Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: NORTH LONDON BRANCH.—The last meeting of the session will be held at the Tottenham Hospital, The Green, South Tottenham, on Wednesday, May 10th, at 4.30 P.M. Election of officers. Dr. L. Guthrie will read a paper on Night Terrors in Childhood and Kindred Affections. Cases of interest will be shown at the hospital. The District Committee will meet at 4.15 P.M.—H. J. MACEVOY, Brondesbury, N.W., Honorary Secretary.

METROPOLITAN COUNTIES BRANCH: WEST LONDON DISTRICT.—The next meeting will be held at the Museum, Great Portland Street, W., by kind permission of Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, on Wednesday, May 3rd, 1899, at 5 P.M. Agenda.—Mr. Jonathan Hutchinson, F.R.S.: The drawings and photographs obtained during the last twelve months.—THOMAS DUTTON, M.D., 13, Holland Park Avenue, W., Honorary Secretary.

SHROPSHIRE AND MID-WALES BRANCH.—The spring meeting will be held at the Salop Infirmary, on Tuesday, May 16th, at 3 o'clock. Members who wish to bring forward any business, to read papers, to show cases or specimens, or to propose any new members, are requested to communicate with the Honorary Secretary not later than Friday, May 5th.—H. WILLOUGHBY GARDNER, Swan Hill, Shrewsbury, Honorary Secretary.

SOUTH WALES AND MONMOUTHSHIRE BRANCH.—The spring meeting will be held at Newport on Tuesday, May 2nd.—ALFRED SHEEN, Cardiff; D. ARTHUR DAVIES, Swansea, Hon. Secretaries.

BORDER COUNTIES BRANCH.

THE spring meeting of this Branch was held at St. Boswells, N.B., on April 21st. The President (Dr. MURIEL) was in the chair, and twenty-five members were present.

Confirmation of Minutes.—The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Unregistered Dentists.—Dr. SOMERVILLE (Galashiels) reported that he had brought the question of unregistered dentists before the Council of the British Medical Association, and that the matter had been referred to the General Practitioners and Ethical Committee for consideration.

Royal Medical Benevolent College.—With regard to the elections to the Royal Medical Benevolent College, Epsom, it was resolved that the Secretary be authorised to use the votes of the Branch in the manner that he might deem most suitable.

New Members.—Dr. W. E. Gibbons (Carlisle) was elected a member of the Association. Dr. Cullin (Harrington) and Dr.