authors of papers, which have been brought before the Society, shall be permitted to publish them forthwith in the *Journal of Pathology and Bacteriology*; and arrangements have been entered into with the proprietors of this *Journal* to facilitate the early publication of scientific communications by this means."

It is quite unnecessary even to mention the titles of the numerous and exceedingly interesting contributions to the volume before us, seeing that notices of all the articles have already appeared in our weekly journals. We might, however, be allowed to draw attention to a series of papers by various observers, dealing with the pathology of rodent ulcer, and embodying the views—strangely at variance at times one with another—held by those who have specially investigated this difficult and hence interesting subject.

King's College Hospital Reports. Edited by NESTOR TIRARD, M.D., W. WATSON CHEYNE, F.R.C.S., JOHN PHILLIPS, M.D., W. D. HALLIBURTON, M.D. Vol. I (1st October, 1893, to 30th September, 1894). London: Adlard & Son. 1895.

WE have often wondered why King's College Hospital has not long ago, like its sister hospitals in London, issued annually a volume of reports, seeing that it has numbered on its staff many whose names are favourably known in various departments of medicine, whose daily work in the wards, in the dispensaries, and in the *post-mortem* room would have been well worthy of record. We thus cordially welcome this first volume, and trust it may be the beginning of an uninterrupted series.

The aim of the editors is not only to furnish a record of interesting cases and reports from the various scientific departments of the hospital, "but also to give an indication of what has been done, and is being done, by former students." The volume, thus, although interesting and valuable to all, will be doubly so in the eyes of old "King's" men.

It opens, as is customary with records of this nature, with the first part of a historical sketch of the College and Hospital by the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine. Succeeding this is a series of articles by various members of the staff. We can do no more than mention the titles of these papers, which are—"The Curable Stage of some Incurable Maladies," by Lionel S. Beale; "The Abstraction of Blood, Clinically Considered," by Alfred B. Duffin; "A Case of Functional

Albuminuria," by Nestor Tirard; "Psychological Medicine in Relation to the Medical Practitioner," by Ernest W. White; "On Sneezing," by Greville Macdonald; "On the Principle of Selection as Applied to the Administration of Anæsthetics," by J. Frederick W. Silk; "On the Artificial Maturation of Immature Senile Cataract by Trituration," by Malcolm M. M'Hardy; "On Some Cases of Pelvic Suppuration in the Female," by John Phillips; "The Treatment of Gonorrhœa and Gleet by Means of the Urethroscope," by F. F. Burghard; "Bursitis," by G. L. Cheate; and "The Value of the Discoveries of Sir Charles Bell," by W. A. Turner.

Classified summaries of the medical and surgical cases admitted during the year, with notes on those of particular interest, follow. We may mention in passing that the number of medical cases admitted was 725, and that of these 108 died—surely an uncommonly high mortality; while of the 1,066 surgical cases admitted, in 44 death resulted. In this connection, we would specially draw attention to the favourable results obtained by Mr. Watson Cheyne in his interesting series of cases.

There are also included short reports from the various special departments of the hospital and from the laboratories, and, what is an interesting feature of the volume, a list of former students, now engaged in hospital work or in the Services, with the titles of the papers—sometimes given in abstract—contributed by them to medical literature during the year.

There are a few inaccuracies, owing chiefly to printer's errors. One of these is perhaps more amusing than serious, and occurs in the returns of the obstetrical department (p. 251), where a woman is credited with having been treated for "*post-mortem hæmorrhage*" with a successful result. On the whole, however, the printers and proof-readers, like the editors, may be congratulated on having produced a well-printed, well-planned, comely, and interesting volume.

Verhandlungen der Berliner Medicinischen Gesellschaft, aus dem Gesellschaftsjahre 1894. Herausgegeben von dem Vorstande der Gesellschaft. Band XXV. Berlin, 1895.

THE present volume resembles in many respects its immediate predecessors, and these have always been most favourably noticed in our columns. It contains records of many cases of much interest, and reports of several valuable discussions.