NOTICES

The Australasian College of Venereologists, New South Wales Chapter, will hold a scientific meeting titled "Viral STD: Resistance and Therapeutics" on Friday 4 March 1994 at The Marriott Hotel, Sydney.
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Details may be obtained from Prof. P-A Mårth, WHO Coll. Centre for STD and their Complications, Uppsala University, Box 552, S-751 22 Uppsala, Sweden. Fax: +46-18 557301, Tel: +46-18 663902.

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The following books have been purchased for MSSVD library in 1993.
ASTRUC, Jean A treatise of venereal diseases in nine books (trans from the Latin). London, Innys et al, 1754. This famous book is one of the classics of venereology.

COLLES, Abraham Selection from the works. London, New Sydenham Society, 1881 Colles' law on congenital syphilis is well known, but he wrote about many other aspects of venereology, most of which are included here.

DIDAY, Paul A treatise on syphilis in newborn children and infants at the breast. London, New Sydenham Society, 1859. Diday was a pupil of Ricord. This book is the first of any note on the subject, and became a widely-read classic.

FOURNIER, Alfred Syphilis and marriage (trans from the French). London, David Bogue, 1881. When it was realised that syphilis was contagious beyond its primary stage the question of marriage became delicate and important, and was addressed in detail in this famous work.

GATAKER, Thomas Observations on venereal complaints and on the methods recommended for their cure. Edinburgh, Bell et al, 1787. This little book is in the form of two "letters to a surgeon", and is illuminating about British practice at this time.

LUMB, Major NPL The urethroscope in the diagnosis and treatment of urethritis London, Bale, Sons and Danielsson, 1919. This short book by an army surgeon describes and illustrates an art, now lost, which was essential for a venereologist in the pre-antibiotic era.

PAGET, Stephen John Hunter. London, T Fisher Unwin, 1897. This well-known biography gives a vivid picture of Hunter's career and personality.

PARKER, Langston The modern treatment of syphilitic diseases. London, Churchill, 1845. Parker worked at the Queen's Hospital in Birmingham. The book also contains chapters on gonorrhoea, genital ulcers and other aspects of venereology.

RICORD, Philippe Lettres sur la syphilis Paris, L'Union Medicale, 1856. This book, which contains essays on various aspects of syphilis by one of the masters of 19th C venereology, was widely read and highly influential.

Selected Essays and Monographs, vol 161. New Sydenham Society, 1897. These articles are mostly about treponemal disease. They include four on yaws, two on neorosyphilis by Alfred Fournier and one by Albert Neisser on the relation between early syphilis treated with mercury and subsequent late syphilis.


SWEDEIUR, Francois Practical observations on venereal complaints. Edinburgh, Bell et al, 1787. Sweedau was an experienced clinician, and this book was widely read in its day. If for no other reason, it is worth reading for his withering review of John Hunter's Treatise on the venereal disease.


von ZUMBUSCH, Leo Atlas of syphilis London, John Bale, Sons and Danielsson, 1922. The colour photographs are of remarkable quality, and give an unforgetable picture of syphilis as it was 70 years ago.

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