and certainty which can only be appreciated by actual trial. An essential point for success is that the greatest width of the cutting part of the needle be not less than the width of the needle-carrying suture which is going to be used.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR GREENE.

NORWICH.
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OBITUARY NOTICES

The death of Dr. Samuel Lewis Ziegler took place on January 4, 1926, from pneumonia, in Philadelphia. He was 64 years of age. He graduated in 1885 in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, and subsequently visited most of the European clinics including London, Paris, Berlin, and Vienna. He was appointed Resident Physician at the Wills Eye Hospital in 1887, followed in 1889 by the appointment of Assistant Surgeon to the same institution. This post he occupied until 1896. In 1889 he became chief Ophthalmic Surgeon at St. Joseph's Hospital, and from 1901 until his retirement from the office some years ago, Attending Surgeon at the Wills Eye Hospital. He was a corresponding member of many European ophthalmological congresses. Bucknell University conferred on him the honorary degree of D.Sc. in 1901, and Lafayette University that of D.Sc. in 1915. He published many papers on ophthalmic subjects, and, at the time of his death was engaged on his work "The Surgery of the Eye." He introduced a cautery operation for entropion and ectropion, and the sickle-knife which bears his name is well known to all ophthalmologists.

The death of Dr. Robert Stanley Minnès took place at his home in Ottawa from pneumonia on December 27, 1925. He was in his 56th year. He was a student of Queen's University, Canada, where he graduated in Arts with a gold medal in mathematics in 1890, qualifying later in 1893 in medicine with the M.D., C.M. After a short time as House Surgeon in the Kingston General Hospital he came to England and studied at the Royal London Ophthalmic Hospital. In 1895 he was appointed Resident Surgical Officer to the Birmingham and Midland Eye Hospital, which post he held till 1897. He worked at the Throat Hospital, Golden Square, and visited Vienna and some other Continental clinics.
He returned to Canada in 1898 and settled in Ottawa where he soon acquired an extensive practice in eye, ear, nose, and throat work, but for the last few years confined himself to ophthalmology. He was regarded as a leading specialist in the Dominion by both the profession and the public. He had great ability, technical skill, and industry. He was Ophthalmic Surgeon to the New Civic Hospital, Ottawa, and a life member of the Ophthalmological Society of the United Kingdom.

The death of Dr. W. Hislop Manson took place on January 28, 1926 from a cardiac seizure while at work in the operating theatre of the Glasgow Eye Infirmary at the early age of 43 years. He was educated at Glasgow University, qualifying with the M.B. and Ch.B. in 1906. He received the M.D. degree four years later and was admitted a Fellow of the Royal Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons in 1912. He was appointed to the staff of the Glasgow Eye Infirmary in 1911. During the war he served in Gallipoli, Salonica, Egypt and Russia and suffered from several tropical diseases during his service. On his return he was appointed visiting surgeon to the Infirmary, and in 1920 was elected to the chair of ophthalmic medicine and surgery at the Anderson College of Medicine.

Notes

Appointments

Mr. M. S. Mayou has been appointed Examiner in Ophthalmology at the University of Belfast and for the Diploma of Ophthalmology at Oxford.

Mr. R. Foster Moore and Mr. Rupert S. Scott have been elected Ophthalmic Surgeon and Assistant Ophthalmic Surgeon respectively to St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

French Ophthalmological Society

The 39th Congress of the French Ophthalmological Society will take place at the Faculty of Medicine of Paris on Monday, May 10, 1926, and following days. A report on the microscopical examination of corneal affections by means of the slit-lamp will be presented by Professor Gallemoerts of Brussels; an atlas of 22 original coloured plates will be annexed to the report. An excursion, to which ladies are invited, has been arranged on May 10 at Port-Royal des Champs. All information may be obtained from the general secretary, Dr. Onfray, 6, Avenue de la Motte-Picquet, Paris.