This medal was instituted in honour of the late Professor Gullstrand in 1922. There has been no award since that date. It is with the greatest pleasure we announce that this medal has now been awarded to Professor Priestley Smith for his "Ophthalmological researches, especially regarding glaucoma and the permanent growth of the lens." Few ophthalmologists of his generation in the world, and none in Britain, have done more brilliant work than Professor Priestley Smith. The Gullstrand Gold Medal is an honour primarily to the recipient and through him to British Ophthalmology and we are sure that all in this country and indeed all over the world will wish to associate themselves with us in congratulating the veteran Priestley Smith upon this recognition of his life's work.

ABSTRACTS

I.—PATHOLOGY


(1) Chapman records a case which occurred in a farmer, aged 58 years, who was seen in November, 1924. Four years before a small black spot had arisen at the inner corner of the left eye. It increased in size, gradually at first, and more rapidly during the last year. No history of injury was obtained. The illustration shows a triangular intensely black, lobulated tumour of the caruncle extending downwards and outwards between the globe and the lower lid; it was not attached to the sclera. The lid margins in apposition showed early infiltration with brown pigment. Under general anaesthesia the growth was removed by block dissection, with the inner third of each eyelid, the skin of the nose on that side and the fat from the inner quadrant of the orbit. Ten glass radon seeds of 0.5 millicurie each were implanted in the tissue about the site of the tumour. The patient made an uninterrupted recovery and when seen, in August, 1931, there was no sign of recurrence.

The pathological report was "spindle-celled melanoma of the eye."