

that some of the more important institutions in America should group and open highly specialized courses to the many desirous of equipping themselves to practise ophthalmology to the best advantage. Duane also takes up the case of the graduate teaching, and advocates: (1) thorough drill in the theory of each branch of ophthalmology prior to taking up its practical application; (2) instruction in methods and the general principles of aetiology and therapeutics; (3) the supreme importance of individual instruction. Small classes should be formed, each consisting as far as may be of men of approximately the same ability and training. He attaches importance to "Quizzing," alternating with lectures and frequent "short, snappy reviews." Finally, he sketches an intensive ophthalmological course, designed to cover four months.

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### The Council of British Ophthalmologists

We call the attention of our readers to the notice of a general meeting of all British ophthalmologists to be held at 4 p.m. on Friday, 30th of April, at the Rooms of the Royal Society of Medicine, to receive a report of the work done by the Council of British Ophthalmologists since its inception two years ago. The formation of such a body was first proposed in our columns, and its reports have all been published in full in our pages, so that our readers can form some idea of the work that has been done by the Council since its foundation. The published reports deal with the "Standard Illumination of Test Types," "The Education of Medical Students in Ophthalmology," "The Need for a Higher Qualification in Ophthalmology," and "The Vision of Drivers of Mechanically Propelled Vehicles." The preparation of these reports represents only one part of the Council's work. As its existence is becoming more generally known and its functions more fully recognized, an increasing amount of work of an advisory nature is being referred to it by various public bodies. We believe that the Council in its short existence has already done valuable work, and that an ever widening path lies before it, and we hope that everyone who can will attend the meeting on the 30th of April, so that the Council may feel that it has the support of the general body of ophthalmic surgeons in the country behind it.

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### Miners' Nystagmus

An interesting discussion on this subject, so important both from the medical and the economic standpoints, was held at the Royal