

REPORTS OF SOCIETIES.

The British Laryngological and Rhinological Association Meeting, June 26th, 1889.

THE following papers, &c., were read :—

“Diseases of the Glandular Structures of the Pharynx and Naso-Pharynx.” Discussion introduced by Mr. T. MARK HOVELL and Dr. WRIGHT WILSON.

“Gouty Sore Throat.” Discussion introduced by SIR MORELL MACKENZIE.

“Lupus of the Throat and Nose.” By Dr. M. HUNT.

“The Hyo-Epiglottic Membrane.” Professor MAYO COLLIER.

An Exhibition of Instruments and Appliances used in the diagnosis and treatment of Diseases of the Throat and Nose was given by Messrs. Weiss, Mayer & Meltzer, Coxeter, and Thistleton.

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