showing the relative receiver current in the testing apparatus necessary for the threshold of audition at various pitches. It is found that unless the nerve endings or the nerves are destroyed, hearing is normal if the tones are sufficiently intense. The internal ear mechanism lowers the threshold of audition but mechanical resonance of this structure is not responsible for tone perception.—C. Lundsgaard and D. D. Van Slyke: The quantitative influences of certain factors involved in the production of cyanosis. Cyanosis depends on the mean concentration of reduced hæmoglobin in the blood. It is shown mathematically that 40 per cent. of venous blood must be mixed with arterial blood to obtain the necessary concentration of reduced hæmoglobin. Cyanosis usually becomes perceptible when this concentration is 5 gms. per 100 c.c. of blood, but various influences may cause it to vary from 4-6 gms. per 100 c.c. of blood.

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## Diary of Societies.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23.

INSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS (Graduates' Section), at 7.—R. D. Gauld: Some Factors in the Design of Steam Locomotives.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE (Odontology Section), at 8.—W. R. Ackland: Some Considerations for Preventive Dentistry (Presidential Address).

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE (Medicine Section), at 5.30.—Dr. Newton Pitt: Presidential Address.—Major-Gen. Sir John Moore and others: Glanders and Anthrax.

ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, at 5.30.—The Secretary: Report on the Additions made to the Society's Menagerie during the months of June, July, August, and September 1922.—Exhibition of Photographs of Zebras and Oryx from Kenya.—E. T. Newton: Exhibition of a Tanned Skin of a Frog.—R. H. Burne and Prof. J. P. Hill: The Foctal Membranes of Chiromys. R. Kirkpatrick and Dr. J. Metzelaar: An Instance of Commensalism between a Hermit-Crab and a Polyzoon.

Metzenar: An instance of Commensaism between a Hermit-Crab and a Polyzoon. Instituteiof Marine Engineers, Inc., at 6.30,—Views Illustrating Industrial Works: Messrs. Bruce Peebles. Royal Photographic Society of Great Britain, at 8.—E. W. Mellor: Some Landmarks of Ancient Egypt.

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25.

Newcomen Society (at 17 Fleet Street), at 5.—E. A. Forward: Simon Goodrich and his Work as an Engineer. Part I. 1796-1810.
FELLOWSHIP OF MEDICINE (at 1 Wimpole Street), at 8.30.—Dr. E. Pritchard: The Feeding of Infants from Birth to the End of the Second Year.

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26.

CHEMICAL SOCIETY (at Institution of Mechanical Engineers), at 8.—Sir W. H. Bragg and Prof. W. L. Bragg: The Significance of Crystal

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE (Urology Section), at 8.30.—Sir John Thomson Walker: Relation of Calcified Abdominal Glands to Urinary Surgery (Presidential Address).

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27.

ROYAL ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY, at 5.—Geophysical Discussion on the Maintenance of the Earth's Electric Charge. Chairman: Sir W. H. Brags. Speakers: Dr. G. C. Simpson, C. T. R. Wilson, and Sir Maintenance of the Earth's Electric Charge. Chairman: Sir W. H. Bragg. Speakers: Dr. G. C. Simpson, C. T. R. Wilson, and Sir A. Schuster.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE (Study of Disease in Children Section), at 5.—Dr. E. Pritchard: Rickets (Presidential Address).

PHYSICAL SOCIETY OF LONDON, at 5.

INSTITUTION OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERS, at 6.—Adjourned Discussion on paper by Prof. A. Rateau: The Use of the Turbo-Compressor for attaining the greatest Speeds in Aviation.

JUNIOR INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS, at 7.30.—Question and General Discussion Evening.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE (Epidemiology and State Medicine Section), at 8.—Dr. R. J. Ewart: Economics and Tuberculosis.

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE (Electro-Therapeutics Section), at 8.30.—Dr. R. Knox: Cardiac Diagnosis: A Survey of the Development of Physical Methods (Presidential Address).

### PUBLIC LECTURES.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21.

HORNIMAN MUSEUM (Forest Hill), at 3.30.—Miss M. A. Murray: The Nile in the Life and Religion of the Ancient Egyptians.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 23.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, at 5.—Prof. Shattock: Specimens illustrating Carcinoma.
CITY OF LONDON Y.M.C.A. (186 Aldersgate Street), at 6.—Sir Walter Morley Fletcher: Man's Body and the Making of Athletic Records.

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24.

SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL STUDIES, at 5.—Prof. Alice Werner: Some Bantu Tribes of the Tanganyika Territory. Succeeding Lectures on November 7, 21, December 5, 19.
GRESHAM COLLEGE, at 6.—Sir Robert Armstrong-Jones: Physic. Succeeding Lectures on October 25, 26, 27.

# WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25.

King's College, at 4.30.—Dr. C. Da Fano: The Histology of the Nervous System. Succeeding Lectures on November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6 and 13.

SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL STUDIES, at 5.—Mrs. Rhys Davids: How to find the Real Founder of Buddhism. II.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, at 5.30.—A. Lloyd - Jones: The Phonetic Structure of the Yoruba Language.—L. S. Jast: The Organisation of a Great Library.

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#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26.

CITY Y.M.C.A. (186 Aldersgate Street), at 6.—Sir C. Hercules Read: The Ancient Briton as Artist and Craftsman.

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND, at 5.—Sir Arthur Keith: Results following Resection of the Bowel, illustrated by Experimental Work done by Mr. T. Gray on Cats.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE (in Botany Department), at 5.—Prof. A. H. R. Buller: Studies in the Morphology and Physiology of Fungi. Succeeding Lecture on November 3.—At 5.15.—Prof. J. Adams: The New Individualism in Education.

BEDFORD COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, at 5.30.—J. M. M'Gregor: Social Life in Athens, as illustrated by Plato.

#### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28.

HORNIMAN MUSEUM (Forest Hill), at 3.30.—F. Balfour-Browne: The Life and Habits of Mason Wasps.