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**FORTHCOMING CONGRESSES.**

THE TÜRK-CZERMAK MEMORIAL FESTIVAL.

In the earlier part of last year we were able to announce that an International Laryngo-Rhinological Congress would be held in Vienna in 1908. It will be remembered that in 1908 fifty years will have passed since the art of laryngoscopy was established in Vienna by Türk and Czermak. The Congress will be held to celebrate this jubilee and to do honour to the memory of the two men who rendered a lasting service to medical science.

We now furnish our readers with further particulars of the work and regulations of the Congress. The Congress will be held from April 21 to 25 under the honorary presidency of Professor von Schroetter; the work will be confined to scientific communications and demonstrations. It is intended to hold, at the same time, an exhibition of instruments and preparations in connection with laryngology. Addresses and papers may be contributed in German, English or French; the maximum amount of time allowed for each communication is twenty minutes. Short *résumés* in one of the three languages mentioned must be forwarded to the Secretary, Professor M. Grossman (IX Garnisongasse, 10, Vienna) not later than December 31, 1907. The subscription to the Congress, 25 kronen (1 sovereign) may be forwarded to the Treasurer of the Congress, Dr. Gottfried Scheff, or to the representatives of the Laryngological Societies. Cards of membership will be issued. As a souvenir of

the Congress it is intended to issue a medal bearing the portraits of Türk and Czermak. Every member of the Congress will be entitled to receive a copy of the "Transactions." The President of the Congress will be Professor O. Chiari.

#### THE EIGHTH INTERNATIONAL OTOLOGICAL CONGRESS.

On the occasion of the Seventh International Otolological Congress being held at Bordeaux under the presidency of Dr. E. J. Moure in 1904, an invitation was received and duly accepted to hold the next congress in Buda Pesth in 1908 under the presidency of Professor J. Böke. It has since been found advisable to change the date for the following reason: at the last International Medical Congress recently held at Lisbon, an invitation from the Hungarian Government and the municipality of Buda Pesth to hold the Sixteenth International Medical Congress in their capital was also duly accepted, and the date of the same fixed for 1909. Through the friendly courtesy of the President of the Sixteenth International Medical Congress it has been made feasible to hold the Otolological Congress simultaneously in 1909. The Otolological Congress will form a separate section, with the special title of "The Eighth International Otolological Congress," and will be afforded all the facilities for transacting the usual business of the Congress.

#### THE SIXTEENTH INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL CONGRESS.

The preliminary arrangements for the holding of this Congress in Buda Pesth are already in hand. His Majesty the King of Hungary has graciously granted his patronage. The date of the opening is fixed for August 29, and the sessions will be continued until September 4. The first circular, which will contain every necessary information, as well as the rules and regulations, will be ready for circulation in the course of the current year. Meanwhile the Secretary-General of the Congress (Sixteenth International Medical Congress, Buda Pesth, Hungary, VIII, Esterházy-utca 7) will have much pleasure in giving information to enquirers.

#### THE GERMAN OTOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

The sixteenth meeting of the German Otolological Society will be held at Bremen on May 17 and 18. The following is the programme:—

1. Report of the Sub-committee on "The Best Method of carrying out

Investigations in Schools with regard to Dulness of Hearing," by Professor HARTMANN (Berlin).

2. Discussion on Professor KÜMMEL's Report on "The Bacteriology of Acute Suppurations of the Middle Ear." The following communications on the same question are promised:

- (a) DENKER (Erlangen): "Bacteriological Investigations in Acute Purulent Median Otitis in the Aural Clinic at Erlangen."
  - (b) KOBRAK (Breslau).
  - (c) H. NEUMANN (Vienna): "On the Bacteriology of Acute Middle-ear Suppuration."
  - (d) WITTMACK (Greifswald).
3. SIEBENMANN (Basel): "On Deafness due to Osteomyelitis."
  4. HERZOG (Münich): "Labyrinthine Suppuration and Hearing Power."
  5. ROEPKE (Solingen): "On Osteomyelitis of the Frontal Bone resulting from Suppuration of the Sphenoidal Sinus and its Intra-cranial Sequelæ."
  6. DENNERT (Berlin): "Acoustico-physiological Investigations concerning the Organ of Hearing."
  7. R. PANSE (Dresden): "What can we Consider as undoubtedly Pathological in Microscopical Preparations of the Internal Ear?"
  8. H. FREY (Vienna): "Contribution to the Anatomy of the Organ of Hearing."
  9. REICHEL (Bremen): "Report on Sixty Frontal Sinus Operations carried out according to Killian's Method."
  10. OPPIKOFER (Basel): "Investigations on the Nose at the time of the Menses, Gestation, and Parturition."
  11. H. NEUMANN (Vienna): "On Suppurative Disease of the Labyrinth."
  12. R. BARANY (Vienna): "Investigations on the Condition of the Vestibular Apparatus in Injuries of the Head and its Practical Significance."
  13. R. BARANY (Vienna): "On the Theory of Nystagmus."
  14. WAGENER (Berlin): "Crystals and Giant-cell Formations in Middle-ear Suppuration."
  15. DAHMER (Posen): "Dry Treatment of Perforative and Exudative Inflammation of the Middle Ear by means of Mounted Swabs."
  16. VOSS (Königsberg): "Radiology in Diseases of the Ear."
  17. VOSS (Königsberg): "How does Nystagmus arise after Injury of the Labyrinth?"
  18. L. SCHÄFER (Berlin): "On the more recent Investigations in favour of Helmholtz's Resonance Hypothesis."
  19. BRIEGER (Breslau): "The Pathology of Otogenous Pyæmia."
  20. SZENES (Budapest): "A Case of Occurrence without Symptoms of Pathological Bone-changes in Secondary Disease of the Peripheral Portions of Bone."
  21. DELSAUX (Brussels): "Concerning Ligature of the Jugular Vein."
  22. SIEBENMANN (Basel): Demonstration of the Labyrinth of Deaf Mutes.
  23. ESCHWEILER (Bonn): Demonstration of the Pathological Histology of the Ear in Deaf Mutes, and of Diseases of the Accessory Cavities.
  24. M. WASSERMANN (München): "The Value of the Röntgen Method for the Diagnosis of Suppuration in the Ethmoid and Frontal Cavities, with Demonstration of Röntgen Photographs."
  25. MANASSE (Strassburg): Demonstration of a Case of Congenital Defect of the Auricle.
  26. H. RUDELOFF (Magdeburg): Demonstration of an Operating Chair.
  27. WITTMACK (Greifswald): "On Injury to the Hearing from the Effect of Noise."

28. H. NEUMANN (Vienna): Demonstrations.
29. R. HOFFMANN (Dresden): Demonstration on Preparations illustrating the Pathology of Cerebral Abscess.
30. HEGENER (Heidelberg): Demonstrations dealing with the Study of Cerebral Abscess.
31. WINCKLER (Bremen): Röntgen Photographs of the Mastoid Region.

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### PRESENTATION TO PROFESSOR POLITZER.

ACCORDING to the Imperial laws of the Austrian Government Hofrath Professor Adam Politzer will very shortly have arrived at that age when he is obliged to vacate his Professorship in the University of Vienna, which he has so long and so conspicuously adorned, as also his position as head of the world-renowned Vienna Ear-clinic.

The movement, which a short time ago was set on foot to suitably mark the occasion of his retirement from active duty in the University and in the Ear-clinic of the Allgemeines Krankenhaus, has most unfortunately, and at the Professor's own request, had to be abandoned owing to recent family bereavements.

The opportunity which would otherwise have been afforded of paying tribute to the master's great devotion to medical science and to aural surgery in particular is therefore denied to the large army of aurists and the renowned Professor's old students, who would gladly have journeyed to far-famed Vienna to take part in what would have been a truly pleasing and historical commemoration.

The debt which aural surgery owes to Professor Adam Politzer's indefatigable zeal and splendid talents can never be accurately gauged. Suffice it to say that there is probably not an aural surgeon of any standing in any part of the habitable globe who has not at one time or another come under the Professor's spell or who has not profited by the study of the many lucid practical and scientific papers which for years past have emanated from his gifted pen.

In order that the occasion of the Professor's retirement from active University and hospital work should not pass without some definite memorial, an influential committee of leading otologists from all quarters of the globe has been formed to present the revered Professor with a gold medal bearing his portrait and suitably inscribed.