

NEXT MEETING - OLD HAT, NEW STYLE

In the matter of choice of next speaker Members could think that the BSTS is now scraping the barrel bottom, unused celebrities and experts being now a bit thin on the ground. But it came about like this: At the last meeting a question arose about rigor mortis and your Secretary/Treasurer/Archive Keeper just happened to reply to it. In consequence one person suggested the Members might be able to stand a whole evening of the same sort of thing, so what could I do but agree? You will therefore be treated, God willing, to an address by me titled "The Patient in the Shroud - A Doctor's Reflections" delivered to you at Saint John's Church Hall, Hyde Park Crescent, London W1 at 7 p.m. on Wednesday April 28th 1993. Naturally I shall be drawing heavily on Pierre Barbet's "A Doctor at Calvary". Even though many of you will have read this I do not think there is any harm in reminding you of much of it, while at the same time those who have not seen it will surely have their eyes opened. I'll do my best to be enthralling, and there could be one or two bits and pieces of my own thinking. So please diarise it now, even if only to escape with a subsequent engagement!

THE FACTS OF LIFE

With great regret but with due warning we were obliged, last Autumn, to reduce the Membership list by some sixty names. They belonged to those Members who had lapsed by two years or more. A similar operation could become necessary for a new generation this Autumn, those in danger being, of course, the ones who have not paid for 1992. The renewals for 1993 are now due and when you reach for your chequebook please look to see if the address label with this Newsletter bears a red dot. If it does then our records show your not having paid for last year; if the mistake is ours please forward your Membership Card showing expiry date of 1.1.93. Naturally we dislike striking anyone off as it hurts us more than them, but the facts of life are fiscal and if we were to be soft-hearted then the subscription for the faithful would have to rise. This year we have managed still to peg them at the old rate. We don't mind in the slightest if you want to praise us for this. Thanks ever so. MRC.

In the United States we have a new Member who would like to correspond with Members anywhere. He is Larry Crowder, 3920 Golden Oaks Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76117-2640. Penpals will find he has some interesting things to impart.
