

names to mark certain divisions of party spoil. No; we are in duty bound to devise a system which shall be practically applicable to all classes of the insane. And, besides, we have the wolf by the ears. It is widely felt that our profession must act promptly and earnestly in this matter, or lose much of the ground it now holds. For these reasons we are now studying the lessons of your experience with a lively interest.

Pardon me for trespassing so far upon your space, and believe me, with high respect,

Your obedient servant,
L. A. TOURTELLOT.

Appointments.

ASHE, I., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Consulting and Visiting Physician to the Donegal Lunatic Asylum, Letterkenney, vice C. E. Carre, M.B., resigned.

BUCK, T.A., M.B., has been appointed Senior Assistant Medical Officer at the Gloucestershire Lunatic Asylum, near Gloucester.

HAY, J., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Clinical Clerk at the West Riding Lunatic Asylum, Wakefield, vice A. Lawrence, M.B., C.M., appointed Assistant Medical Officer at the Cheshire Lunatic Asylum, Chester.

LAWRENCE, A., M.R.C.S., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Cheshire Lunatic Asylum, Chester, vice A. Strange, M.D., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Metropolitan District Asylum, Leavesden.

MERSON, J., A.M., C.M., M.B., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer at the Northumberland Lunatic Asylum, Cottingwood, Morpeth, vice B. Greene, L.R.C.P.Ed., appointed to the Sussex Lunatic Asylum, Hayward's-Heath.

PHILIP, J. A., M.A., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Junior Assistant Medical Officer at the Gloucestershire Lunatic Asylum, near Gloucester.

Books Received.

1. Statistical Report of the Health of the Navy for the year 1868. Ordered, by the House of Commons, to be printed, 29 April, 1870.
 2. The Prophetic Spirit in its Relation to Wisdom and Madness. By Rev. Augustus Clissold, M.A. Longmans and Co. 1870.—(*See Part II.—Reviews.*)
 3. A Digest of Facts relating to the Treatment and Utilization of Sewage. By W. H. Corfield, M.A., M.B., (Oxon.), Professor of Hygiene and Public Health at University College, London. Prepared for the Committee of the British Association.
- A carefully prepared digest, which is creditable to its author, and cannot fail to be very useful. It was prepared for the Committee of the British Association, and is now out of print. We trust, however, to see a second edition soon.*

4. The Change of Life in Health and Disease. A practical Treatise on the Nervous and other Affections incidental to women at the decline of life. By Edward J. Tilt, M.D. 3rd Edition. Churchill and Sons. 1870.
This is a new edition of Dr. Tilt's well-known treatise, enriched with the result of the author's further experience, and brought up to the level of the knowledge of the day.
5. Humanity and Humanitarianism, with special reference to the Prison Systems of Great Britain and the United States, the Question of Criminal Lunacy and Capital Punishment. By William Tallack. 1870.
In this volume the zealous and indefatigable secretary of THE HOWARD ASSOCIATION discusses briefly such subjects as reformatory industrial treatment, extreme harshness and undue leniency in the treatment of prisoners, insanity and crime, homicidal insanity and capital punishment, prison dietaries, and the practicability of reforming criminals. Of Gheel he says that 'greater success in the way of results has followed than at any other lunatic establishment in the world. And in proportion as the Gheel principles have been approximated to elsewhere satisfactory consequences have ensued.'
6. A Manuel of Diet for the Invalid and Dyspeptic. By Duncan Turner. 2nd Edit. Churchill & Sons. 1870.
7. L'Ottalmoscopio nella Alienazione Mentale, nella Epilessia, nella Pellagra. Osservazioni Raccolte Dal Dott. Augusto Tebaldi, Docente di Psichiatria nella B. Università di Padova. Bologna. 1870.
8. Sulla Procedura, nei Giudizi Criminali e Civili, per Riconoscere L'Alienazione Mentale. Osservazioni Medico-Psicologiche-Legali del Dottore G. B. Miraglia. Napoli. 1870.
9. Un Raro Caso di Demomania Subiettiva. Per Dottore Cav. B. G. Miraglia. Napoli. 1870.
10. Observations and Researches on Albinism in the Negro Race. By Joseph Jones, M.D., Professor of Physiology and Pathology in the University of Nashville, Tennessee. Philadelphia, 1869. (*Extracted from Transactions of the American Medical Association.*)
11. Mollities Ossium (Malakosteia, Osteo-Malacia, Osteo-sarcosis) Rickets, or Softening of the Bones in the Adult. By Joseph Jones, M.D. Philadelphia. 1869. (*Extracted from the Transactions of the American Medical Association.*)
12. Notes on the Physiology and Pathology of the Nervous System, with reference to clinical medicine.
A. Disseminated Sclerosis of the Brain and Spinal Cord.
B. Annular or Cortical Sclerosis of the Spinal Cord.
By Meredith Clymer, M.D. New York. 1870. (*Reprinted from the New York Medical Journal.*)
13. Studien auf dem Gebiete der Aertztlichen Seelenkunde. Gemeinfaeliche Vortraege, Von Dr. Friedrich Wilhelm Hagen, Kgt. Oberarzt und Vorstand der Kreis-Irrenanstalt zu Erlangen. Verlag von Eduard Besold. 1870.
All that we are able to say on the present occasion concerning this book is that it consists of six lectures, of a popular kind, the subjects of which are:— (1). The Value and Importance of Psychology for Psychiatry; (2). Fixed Ideas; (3). The Maid of Orleans; (4). Madness; (5). On the Psychical Treatment of the Insane; (6). The end sanctifies the means.
14. Biology versus Theology. The Mission of Moses, from the German of Schiller: Annotated, by Julian. No. 8. Lewes: G. P. Bacon. 1870.
Of this essay the translator says:—"It is in many respects a remarkable production, and cannot fail to inspire an unprejudiced mind with a feeling of

admiration for the originality and freedom of thought which it displays. Although the vast progress which science has since made, and the opening up of fields of knowledge which in Schiller's time were quite unexplored, must necessarily place us at a very different standpoint from that which he occupied and lead to a totally different manner of treating the subjects which he merely examined by the unassisted light of Reason, we shall not be disposed to undervalue this effort of a great mind to arrive at a clear conception. The "Mission of Moses" was written before the French Revolution had introduced a new era of thought, before the great progressive changes, mental and material, of the last 80 years, and thus although to advanced thinkers it may appear very imperfect, though from a scientific point of view much might be corrected or improved upon in this interpretation of Old Testament History, it must be acknowledged to be in one sense the more valuable as an independent testimony."

15. *Method and Medicine. An Essay.* By Balthazar W. Foster, M.D. Churchill and Sons. 1870.

16. *An Inquiry into the Real Nature of Hysteria.* By D. De Berdt Hovell, F.R.C.S.E. (*Reprinted from the British and Foreign Medico-Chirurgical Review.*)

NOTICE.—Mr. Henry Mullinor, of the Lunatic Asylum, Woogaroo, Queensland, has sent us three copies of the Report of that Institution for 1869, and would be glad to receive in return Reports of British Asylums.