

There are other members of the specialty whose character and position well qualify them to aspire to a seat in Parliament, and who might well leaven the existing party mess.

An election is not now remote; and it is possible, if rumours have any foundation, that Sir John Batty Tuke may not stand unaided in the new House in his strenuous fight with the powers of legal darkness.

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*The Organisation of the Medico-Psychological Association.*

The President in his address drew attention to the desirability of attempting a further advance in the organisation of the Association by obtaining better central housing accommodation and the services of a paid official to discharge many of the duties now performed at considerable personal sacrifice by honorary officers of the Association.

The combination of all the medical societies in London into what would practically be an Academy of Medicine is now under consideration by the leading spirits of the medical profession, and the result will probably be brought before the Medico-Psychological Association at no very remote date.

The large number of special medical societies, each with its own rather costly organisation, would seem to offer a good field for combination, with considerable economy. Union, too, would certainly be productive of much greater strength to the profession in its relation to the public.

The sacrifice of a certain amount of independence to obtain such important results may possibly be necessary, but the preservation of all useful independence in such an arrangement must be carefully safeguarded.

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*The Registration of Male and Female Nurses of the Insane.*

The registration of mental nurses is one of the subjects most forcibly dwelt on by Dr. Outterson Wood in his presidential address, and demands the most urgent attention of the Medico-Psychological Association as affecting the social standing and welfare of the nursing staffs of our institutions.