

The General Meeting was held at 2.30 p.m., Dr. C. Hubert Bond in the Chair. The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and confirmed. Dr. Noel Sergeant and Drs. John Brander, F. H. Edwards, J. G. Porter Phillips and F. R. P. Taylor were unanimously elected Hon. Divisional Secretary and Representative Members of the Council respectively for the year 1922-23. Drs. Cedric W. Bower, A. Helen Boyle and J. N. G. Nolan were elected members of the Divisional Committee of Management.

The following gentlemen were elected as Ordinary Members:

BACK, FREDERICK, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Junior Assistant Medical Officer, East Sussex County Mental Hospital Hellingly, Sussex.

Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. G. Nolan, and Noel Sergeant.

DUNCAN, WILLIAMS ARTHUR, M.B., Ch.B.Edin., Second Assistant Medical Officer, East Sussex County Mental Hospital, Hellingly, Sussex.

Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. G. Nolan, and Noel Sergeant.

DUNLEA, JOHN G., M.B., B.Ch., N.U.I., Assistant Medical Officer, Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone.

Proposed by Drs. H. Wolseley-Lewis, W. E. Collier, and Noel Sergeant.

GRAHAM, MALCOLM FRANK DOUGLESS, B.A., M.D.Toronto, M.C.P.&S. Ontario, Specialist at Neurological Clinic, Ministry of Pensions, Brighton, 3, Whitehall Place, London, S.W. 1.

Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. G. Nolan, and Noel Sergeant.

MCCORD, ROBERT N. B., M.B., B.Ch.Belf., Assistant Medical Officer, Brookwood Mental Hospital, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. J. A. Lowry, W. Brooks Keith, and Noel Sergeant.

MARTYN, PIERCE PATRICK, M.B., B.Ch., R.U.I., Assistant Medical Officer, Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone.

Proposed by Drs. H. Wolseley-Lewis, W. E. Collier, and Noel Sergeant.

STEWART, FRANCIS HUGH, M.A., D.Sc.St.And., M.D.Edin., Major I.M.S. (retired), Assistant Medical Officer, County Mental Hospital, Cambridge.

Proposed by Drs. M. A. Archdale, A. F. Reardon, and Noel Sergeant.

The invitation of Dr. A. Helen Boyle to hold the Autumn Meeting, 1922, at Hove was accepted with many thanks. (*Note.*—This acceptance has been postponed until Spring, 1923.)

PAPERS.

"Present Treatment of Incipient Insanity in East Sussex," by Dr. J. N. G. NOLAN. This paper was supplemented by a few remarks from Dr. HARPER and Dr. GRAHAM concerning the work at the Clinic at Brighton, and by Dr. TAYLOR, who spoke of the efforts that were being made to inaugurate a central clinical laboratory that would serve the needs of the three Sussex and two Kent County Mental Hospitals. Dr. C. HUBERT BOND expressed his appreciation of these communications and opened the discussion, in which the following members and visitors participated: Sir WILLIAM J. COLLINS, Sir C. O'BRIEN HARDING, Drs. COLLINS, BAIRD, BOWER, and MCDOWALL.

"Lilliputian Hallucinations," by M. LEROY. This paper was read by Dr. G. W. B. JAMES, who mentioned one case which he had met with in his own practice. Sir WILLIAM J. COLLINS also mentioned an extremely interesting case, in which he attributed these "lilliputian hallucinations" to the effect of an early cataract on an abnormally imaginative temperament.

Owing to the lateness of the hour it was impossible to continue the discussion, but the communication is to be printed in the *Journal of Mental Science*, with a suggestion that readers shall send to the journal a short account of any similar case, or cases, coming under their observation.

The members were then entertained to tea, which brought to its conclusion another pleasant and instructive meeting.

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

THE SPRING MEETING of the Division was held, by the kind invitation of Dr. Peachell, at the Dorset County Mental Hospital, Herrison, Dorchester, on Friday, April 28th, 1922.

General Gordon Steward, Major Gundry, Rev. Slemeck, and Drs. Ash, Gowring, Rodd and Smerdon were present as visitors.

Dr. W. F. Nelis was voted to the chair, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

Dr. G. N. Bartlett was elected Hon. Divisional Secretary.

Drs. T. S. Good and J. G. Soutar were elected Representative Members of Council.

Drs. G. E. Peachell and E. Barton White were elected members of the Committee of Management, and Dr. J. E. P. Shera was elected to that Committee in place of Dr. Stanford Read, who has left the Division.

The date of the Autumn Meeting was fixed for October 27th, 1922, that of the Spring Meeting April 26th, 1923. The place of the Autumn Meeting was left to the Secretary to arrange.

Dr. G. E. PEACHELL then read his paper, "A Case of Insanity associated with Pregnancy and previous Exophthalmic Goitre." This paper provided much interesting matter, both clinical and pathological, and was emphasised by the wet specimens and sections shown. Sections of thyroid, ovary, kidney, pituitary body and suprarenal glands were exhibited on the screen, and the interdependence of the various internal secretions was debated.

Drs. ASH, R. EAGER and GOWRING took part in the ensuing discussion.

Dr. E. BARTON WHITE read his paper on *Bacillus coli* infection in mental hospitals, and illustrated the life-history and relationships of the *Bacillus coli*, and possible sources of infection with this organism by means of the common fly, cockroach, etc., as proved by experiment.

Dr. W. F. NELIS moved a vote of thanks to General Gordon Steward, the Chairman of the Mental Hospital Committee, for his welcome to and entertainment of the members, and Dr. G. E. Peachell was also accorded a hearty vote of thanks for his kind hospitality and the provision of a most interesting programme.

NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION.

THE SPRING MEETING of the Division was held at the Derby Borough Mental Hospital, through the courtesy of Dr. J. Bain, on Thursday, April 27th, at 2 p.m.

The members were shown over the Hospital in the forenoon and were entertained to lunch by Dr. Bain, who was cordially thanked for his hospitality.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The following candidates were balloted for and duly elected:

JANE ELIZABETH HAY, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H. Edin., Assistant Medical Officer, Storthes Hall Asylum, Huddersfield.

Proposed by Drs. T. S. Adair, J. E. Kitchen and J. R. Gilmour.

GILBERT MALISE GRAHAM, M.B., Ch.B. Edin., Assistant Medical Officer, Derby Borough Mental Hospital, Rowditch, Derby.

Proposed by Drs. J. Bain, J. R. Gilmour and G. Mackie.

Dr. J. R. Gilmour was elected Hon. Secretary to the Division, and Drs. T. Stewart Adair and J. V. G. B. Tighe Representative Members of Council for the ensuing year.

PAPERS.

"On the Behaviour Changes Supervening on Encephalitis in Children," by Dr. G. A. AUDEN.

"Notes from a Psycho-therapeutic Clinic," by Dr. J. E. MIDDLEMISS.

"Colloidal Gamboge Reaction." Drs. RIDDEL and STEWART gave a description, with clinical results, of the technique of this reaction in the cerebro-spinal fluid, which they had recently introduced at Whittingham.

Interesting discussions followed the reading of these papers.

DEMONSTRATION.

Drs. ORR and STURROCK showed lantern-slides illustrating the effects of disturbances of the sympathetic mechanism on the localisation of toxi-infective lesions in the brain. After the cervical sympathetic is divided in the rabbit's neck and a general infection subsequently produced, both hemispheres are affected, but the lesions are more intense on the divided side. Nerve-cell degeneration is found on the cornu ammonis, the caudate nucleus, the amygdaloid nucleus, the pyriform lobe, and in the cerebral cortex. All these areas derive their blood supply from