

### Occasional Notes.

#### *Sir George H. Savage.*

IN the list of honours, in which the name of Sir George H. Savage recently appeared, there is probably not one that will give a more widely felt feeling of satisfaction and gratulation than that conferred on him.

These feelings are not only unanimous in the Medico-Psychological Association, but are shared by a very wide circle of professional and lay friends, with whom he has been associated in his many-sided activities. The only other feeling it could excite is that of surprise at the honour not having been conferred at an earlier date.

There is always an additional feeling of satisfaction in regard to titles conferred on men of science, that they are real honours uncontaminated by any possible suspicion of party-purse purchase.

Greatly as Sir George Savage has deserved by his practice, teaching, literary and scientific work, there is, in this honour, following on those that have preceded it, a ground for hope that it conveys a recognition of the specialty to which he belongs.

So long as the honours were limited to the holders of Government appointments, it could only be felt that the recognition was of the official, rather than of the alienist, especially while men of such standing as Sir George remained unnoticed.

In tendering our hearty congratulations to Sir George Savage, we are not detracting from his great deserving if we entertain this hope, that the specialty is also at last to be congratulated in the honouring of a prominent, popular, and distinguished member.

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#### *The Lunacy Commission.*

Two additional Commissioners, one legal and one medical, have been appointed by the Lord Chancellor.

The views of the Medico-Psychological Association regarding the constitution of the Commission have from time to time been referred to in the pages of the *Journal of Mental Science*, and this is not an occasion for re-stating them.