

## PART III.—NOTES AND NEWS.

## MEDICO-PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

## FIFTY-THIRD ANNUAL MEETING.

The proceedings in connection with the fifty-third Annual Meeting of the Medico-Psychological Association of Great Britain and Ireland commenced on Tuesday, June 12th, in the Royal College of Physicians, Kildare Street, Dublin. In the morning, at 9.15, a Council Meeting was held, and this was followed at eleven o'clock by the General Meeting for the election of officers, transaction of business, etc. At the General Meeting, Dr. Murray Lindsay, the outgoing President, occupied the chair, and there was a good attendance, among those present being:—Drs. Conolly Norman (President-Elect), Robert Baker, Fletcher Beach (Hon. Secretary), Frank A. Elkins, R. Percy Smith, J. Beveridge Spence, D. Hack Tuke, Jas. Rutherford, Chas. Mercier, Arthur Finegan, A. R. Urquhart, A. R. Turnbull, Ringrose Atkins, Samuel H. Agar, Telford Smith, John Curwen, R. Fletcher, J. G. M. Finch, A. Law Wade, F. Sidney Gramshaw, Alexander Patton, W. Lloyd Andriezen, Daniel F. Rambaut, Henry Cullinan, Oscar Woods, Lancel R. Oswald, T. S. Clouston, David Nicolson, W. F. Robertson, John Keay, E. B. Whitcombe, George R. Lawless, W. H. Middleton, W. H. Garnett, T. W. McDowall, J. T. Callcott, G. M. Robertson, John Eustace, James Cameron, and Geo. R. Cope.

The PRESIDENT said, before commencing business, that he ought to mention that some distinguished visitors were present. They had Drs. Rohé and Curwen from America, Semelaigne from Paris, Morel from Ghent, and Professor Benedikt from Vienna. The members of that Association felt honoured by the presence of these associates and guests, and accorded them a hearty welcome.

The HON. SEC. then read the minutes of the previous Annual Meeting, held in July, 1893, at Buxton, also the minutes of the adjourned Annual Meetings, held on Thursday, November 16th, 1893, and on 15th February, 1894, all of which were adopted.

## ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COUNCIL.

Letters tendering their resignation had been received from Dr. Paul, Treasurer, and Dr. Savage, co-Editor of the "Journal of Mental Science." Dr. Paul's was as follows:—

The Terrace, Camberwell, June 7, 1894.

Mr. President and Gentlemen,—I have on several occasions doubted whether the time had not come to resign my long-held office of Treasurer; but have been persuaded by kind friends to continue in office longer. The time, however, has now arrived when I consider I should not delay, after more than thirty years' tenure of office, resigning the trust you have placed in my hands.

In doing so, I confess it to be somewhat of a wrench after so long a period of friendship with members of our specialty; but there are younger men, I doubt not, who will ably serve the Association, although none with a greater desire to promote its interests. Though resigning my office, I shall continue to entertain every good wish for the advancement and prosperity of the Association.

Thanking you for the confidence you have so long reposed in your Treasurer,  
I am, Mr. President and Gentlemen,

Yours very faithfully,  
J. H. PAUL.

Dr. Savage wrote:—

3, Henrietta Street, Cavendish Square, June 2, 1894.

Dear Dr. Beach,—The time has come, after sixteen years, to resign my assistant or co-Editorship of the "Journal of Mental Science." I fear I have been of little active use, but have had the greatest pleasure and satisfaction in being so long associated with Dr. Hack Tuke, and my one real regret is that the pleasant link is now severed.

The times are changing, and the junior editors should be younger men than I, and men more in contact with the asylum life which binds the Association together. With thanks to the Association for recognizing my desires to serve it in allowing me to be joint Editor of the Journal,

I am, yours very truly,  
GEO. H. SAVAGE.

The PRESIDENT said this would affect the voting papers, which were in their hands, as these two names appeared in the printed voting lists. The Council met that morning and considered the matter, and thought it would be wisest to hold another Council meeting on Thursday morning. Then there would be an adjourned general meeting on the same day to consider the recommendation of the Council with regard to filling up these two posts. It would then be competent for any member to make any remark upon this subject or confirm what the Council had decided on.

The meeting having sanctioned this course,

The PRESIDENT-ELECT begged to propose that the meeting records the sense of its sincere regret at the loss of Dr. Paul, who had been Treasurer for more than thirty years, and had done such excellent work for it. They all recollected with great satisfaction the genial and admirable manner in which he performed his duties, which were occasionally disagreeable, and he was sure that the members would unite in expressing great regret at the loss of Dr. Paul's long services.

The GENERAL SECRETARY had great pleasure in seconding the resolution, which was passed by acclamation.

Dr. CLOUSTON said one could not help regretting that the time had come to propose a vote of thanks to Dr. Savage for the admirable work which he had done. They all knew his strong individuality, and how he had placed his valuable services at their disposal as Joint Editor of their Journal. No one knew better than he (Dr. Clouston) did the amount of work such an office required. The Association had derived the benefit of Dr. Savage's name and reputation, and they all knew that what he had written for the Journal had always been well worth reading. He therefore proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Dr. Savage for his services, and an expression of regret upon the part of that Association that he should have resigned.

Dr. NICOLSON had much pleasure in seconding this motion.

Dr. HACK TUBE said before the motion was put to the meeting he should like, as the colleague of his friend Dr. Savage, to express his own feeling; and to add that, owing to Dr. Savage's excellent temper and imperturbable good humour, not the slightest friction had arisen from the beginning to the end of the chapter.

The motion was passed by acclamation.

Dr. CLOUSTON asked would it not be a convenient course in future for officers resigning their positions to do so in time to have their resignations placed upon the agenda. He thought that this would be in accordance with the spirit that pervades the new Rules, and tend towards the harmonious working of the Association, while it would afford each member an opportunity for the consideration of matters of such importance.

The PRESIDENT thought that there was no doubt as to the wisdom of Dr. Clouston's suggestion. But it had not been practical in the present case, as they had received one resignation only a few days ago.

Dr. CLOUSTON explained that his remarks were not intended as a reflection in any way.

Dr. OSCAR WOODS said that he did not quite agree with Dr. Clouston. He thought that it was to the General Meeting, and not to the Council, that resignations should be sent. Now that their Annual Meetings extended over one day, there was no necessity to hurry these matters, and it was better to let them have an opportunity for discussion. He thought that it would elicit the opinions of the Association more generally if resignations did not come in until the time of the General Meeting.

Dr. SPENCE said that as Dr. Woods disagreed with Dr. Clouston, so he quite disagreed with Dr. Woods. He thought that important appointments of this sort should not be made until the entire body of the Association had had an opportunity of expressing their views upon the subject.

The PRESIDENT, after explaining that there was no doubt, according to the

Rules, that the Council had power to appoint *pro tem.* to offices becoming unexpectedly vacant, announced that they were about to proceed to the election of the President and other officers; but asked what they should do about the Treasurer and co-Editor.

Dr. SPENCK proposed that the two names (Drs. Paul and Savage) should be withdrawn from the paper, and the further consideration of the matter put off till the adjourned Annual Meeting which they proposed holding at Bristol.

Dr. WHITCOMBE seconded this motion.

The PRESIDENT—Is it your wish that we proceed to vote for all the officers with the exception of the Treasurer and co-Editor, and that the election of these two officers be deferred till the meeting at Bristol?

Dr. CLOUSTON proposed as an amendment that they should vote for all the officers at the present meeting except the two already mentioned, and that they be voted for on Thursday morning.

Dr. ATKINS seconded this proposal.

Dr. MERCIER had no doubt that it was legally competent for them to elect these officers that day, and certainly it was competent for them to do so upon Thursday. But what was legally possible was not always desirable. In the case of offices of such importance as Treasurer and Editor it was always most desirable that the entire Association should have an opportunity of having a voice in the election. At the present time they had not that opportunity. It was unknown to members generally that changes were about to be made.

Mr. WHITCOMBE quoted the rule upon the subject, which stated that notice must be given not less than two months before the Annual Meeting.

The PRESIDENT—According to your showing that would militate against the meeting at Bristol in July.

Dr. ATKINS said that the Council, who had full knowledge of the requirements, would nominate gentlemen to the posts who would be accepted by the Association afterwards.

The PRESIDENT said that there was no difference of opinion with regard to voting for the officers that day, with the exception of the Treasurer and Editor. If the rule was to be observed they could not vote for these two officers at the Bristol meeting. Rule 14, page 10, gives the Council power to elect a member *pro tem.* to fill such a position.

Dr. CLOUSTON said that seemed to open a *via media*. He moved "That, in accordance with their Rules, the Council appoint officers in place of those who have resigned for a period of twelve months, the permanent appointment to be confirmed at the next Annual Meeting."

Dr. CONOLLY NORMAN seconded the motion, which was adopted.

Dr. URQUHART asked for the Chairman's ruling with reference to Rule 2, page 9, with regard to members retiring. The Rule, he said, set forth that six Members of the Council should retire each year in rotation, and should not be eligible for re-election until the Annual Meeting after that at which they retired. Now they were asked to vote for Dr. Rutherford, whose name had been removed and replaced.

The PRESIDENT—Was Dr. Rutherford on last year?

Dr. URQUHART—Yes.

The PRESIDENT—Then certainly, according to this Rule, he would not be eligible.

Dr. URQUHART—Do you rule that Dr. Rutherford is not eligible?

The PRESIDENT—Most certainly I do.

Dr. URQUHART—Then, is it in the right of any member present to make a suggestion?

The PRESIDENT—Certainly.

Dr. MERCIER explained that the case of Dr. Rutherford was a peculiar one. He had not served his full time, but had been put on in the place of some gentleman who had retired in the middle of his term of office, and therefore it was considered he did not come under this Rule.

The PRESIDENT—I still maintain that Rule 2, page 9, would be transgressed. Dr. SPENCE stated that when the matter was brought forward at a former meeting the opinion was that in the circumstances Dr. Rutherford would be eligible.

The PRESIDENT said that he could not depart from the position which he had taken up.

Dr. URQUHART then suggested that Dr. Yellowlees be substituted for Dr. Rutherford, as this was a vacancy affecting Scotland.

The PRESIDENT, after a ballot had been taken in due form, announced the election of officers and Council as follows:—

<i>President</i> . . . . .	CONOLLY NORMAN, F.R.C.P.I.
<i>President-Elect</i> . . . . .	DAVID NICOLSON, M.D.
<i>Ex-President</i> . . . . .	JAMES MURRAY LINDSAY, M.D.
<i>General Secretary</i> . . . . .	FLETCHER BEACH, M.B.
<i>Editor</i> . . . . .	D. HACK TUKE, M.D.
<i>Registrar</i> . . . . .	J. B. SPENCE, M.D.
<i>Auditors</i> . . . . .	{ H. HAYES NEWINGTON, M.R.C.P. HENRY RAYNER, M.D.
<i>Divisional Secretary for Ireland</i>	CONOLLY NORMAN, F.R.C.P.I.
<i>Divisional Secretary for Scotland</i>	A. R. URQUHART, M.D.

*Members of Council.*

T. OUTERSON WOOD, M.D.	W. I. DONALDSON, M.B.
F. A. ELKINS, M.B.	G. E. SHUTTLEWORTH, M.D.
H. T. PRINGLE, M.D.	E. B. WHITCOMBE, M.R.C.S.
A. R. TURNBULL, M.B.	L. A. WEATHERLY, M.D.
C. A. MERCIER, M.B.	D. M. CASSIDY, M.D.
E. W. WHITE, M.B.	G. REVINGTON, M.D.
H. STILLWELL, M.D.	E. POWELL, M.R.C.S.
A. D. O'C. FINEGAN, L.R.C.P.I.	W. F. MENZIES, M.D.
C. S. MORRISON, L.R.C.P.I.	S. A. K. STRAHAN, M.D.

Dr. URQUHART said he supposed that must be accepted; but it was a very unfortunate thing for Scotland that their representative had been rejected. He thought that if it had been understood that Dr. Yellowlees was to be a representative for Scotland they would have had a majority.

Mr. WHITCOMBE pointed out that in this matter there was not the slightest slur on Dr. Rutherford.

Dr. SPENCE said he did not think that affected the point that Scotland did not get its fair representation on the Council.

ELECTION OF ORDINARY MEMBERS.

The PRESIDENT announced the following names of candidates for election as ordinary members, and appointed the following scrutineers:—Drs. Whitcombe, Finch, Atkins, and Turnbull. The voting in connection with candidates for ordinary membership was then proceeded with.

James Vincent Blachford, M.B., B.S.Durb., Assistant Medical Officer, Bristol Asylum, Fishponds, near Bristol.

James Denham Bradburn, L.R.C.P., F.R.C.S.Edin., Lancelyn House, Leamington Spa.

Alfred Walter Campbell, M.D.Edin., Pathologist, County Asylum, Rainhill, near Prescott, Lancashire.

Eleonora Lillian Fleury, M.D., B.Ch., R.U.I., Clinical Assistant, Richmond Asylum, Dublin.

Samuel Graham, L.R.C.P.Lond., Assistant Medical Officer, District Asylum, Belfast.

Hugh Richard Ker, F.R.C.S.Edin., M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Edin., Tintern, 2, Balham Hill, London, S.W.

Alexander McWilliam, M.B.Aber., Senior Assistant Medical Officer, Somerset and Bath Asylum, Wells.

Thomas George Stevens, L.R.C.S.I., L.R.C.P.I., Assistant Medical Officer, Central Asylum, Dundrum, Ireland.

Guy Mills Wood, M.B.Durh., Assistant Medical Officer, County Asylum, Rainhill, near Prescott, Lancashire.

Sir Henry W. Acland, Bart., K.C.B., M.D.Oxon., Regius Professor of Medicine, University of Oxford, Oxford.

Harold Cecil Halsted, M.D.Durh., Assistant Medical Officer, London County Asylum, Hanwell.

Cyril R. Crawford, M.R.C.S.Eng., L.R.C.P.Lond., Trohook, Langley Avenue, Surbiton.

Dr. RINGROSE ATKINS proposed that the names be voted for *en masse*; and this course having been adopted,

The PRESIDENT said that he was sorry to announce that there had been five adverse votes, which would necessitate their balloting for each member individually.

Dr. ATKINS suggested that there might have been a mistake, and the names were again voted for *en masse*, but there being again five adverse votes,

The PRESIDENT said it could not be, as they at first supposed, a matter of accident.

It was then decided to vote for each candidate separately, with the result that all were elected; but with regard to Dr. Eleonora Lilian Fleury

The PRESIDENT said that it was now perfectly evident that the voting on the previous occasion was not a matter of accident. He was happy to say, however, that the lady had been elected in accordance with the rules of the Association, which required that the candidate should secure three-fourths of the total number of members balloting. The total number was 32. There were seven rejections and 25 admissions. Twenty-four would be three-fourths, and Dr. Fleury had obtained one over that number.

#### REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

Dr. PERCY SMITH—The Treasurer has asked me to report to the Association that the amount received up to May 31st (including a balance from last account of £174 0s. 11d.) is £874 17s. 10d., and that the amount of expenditure to the same date is £674 17s. 11d., showing a balance at that date of £199 19s. 11d. As the financial year of the Association has not yet expired the yearly balance-sheet cannot be prepared and submitted. And then he begged me to state that the present balance at 31st May of £199 19s. 11d. includes £87 2s. 6d. which really belongs to the Gaskell Fund. It will be remembered that last year it was suggested by the Auditors that the amount of the Gaskell Fund should be shown separately from the general accounts of the Association, and that having been done, from 1887 to the present time, there is a balance in favour of the Gaskell Fund of £87 2s. 6d., and it is questioned whether that ought not to be invested in accordance with the trust deed. The Treasurer also asked me to call the attention of the members to the fact that, as the new Rules make subscriptions payable on January 1st instead of July 1st, it will be necessary for members to pay a subscription of £1 11s. 6d. for the period from July 1st, 1894, to December 31st, 1895, or else to pay 10s. 6d. on July 1st, 1894, and a guinea on January 1st, 1895. And it is intended to send out notice accordingly, when the application for subscriptions is made. Well, then, I have to place before you also the report which the auditors have so far been able to make:—"We have examined the Treasurer's accounts to May 31, 1894, with vouchers, etc. We report that we find them correct to that date. We have also to report that in consequence of the early date fixed for the Annual Meeting we have not been able to examine the balanced accounts of the Treasurer for the year 1893-4." The only suggestion

seems to be that this meeting for the purpose of receiving the balance-sheet from the Treasurer should be adjourned, and that the 31st July at Bristol would be a convenient time and place.

Dr. MERCIER asked what money did this sum of £87 2s 6d. represent. Was it the accumulated interest?

Dr. PERCY SMITH, in explaining, said that was a question for the Trustees to answer. It appeared that the Gaskell Fund was founded in 1837. The Gaskell Prize had been given apparently four times, and in one year there were law expenses amounting to £31 odd, leaving two years' interest unexpended.

On the motion of Dr. PERCY SMITH, seconded by Dr. HACK TUKE, it was then decided to adjourn the meeting to the 31st July, at Bristol, in order to consider the balance-sheet and any other matters requiring consideration.

#### THE KNIGHTHOOD OF SIR JOHN C. BUCKNILL.

Mr. WHITCOMBE said that there was one matter which he thought it would be proper to bring before this meeting. Members of this Association received honours very rarely, but since their last meeting one of their oldest members had received the honour of knighthood. He thought, therefore, that it would be graceful on the part of this Association to congratulate Sir John C. Bucknill on the honour which he had received, and which he so well deserved. He had great pleasure in moving accordingly.

Dr. HACK TUKE, in seconding the motion, said that it must afford great pleasure to others as well as to himself, Sir John's old colleague in authorship, that he had thus been honoured. It would be observed that he received his knighthood entirely in connection with the work he undertook in regard to the origin of the Volunteer movement, and not for the valuable services which he had rendered to the insane, to this Association and their Journal during so many years. Therefore, gentlemen engaging in editorial labours need not expect in consequence to receive any honour at the hands of Her Majesty's Government!

Dr. CLOUSTON could not allow this matter to pass without expressing his approval of the remarks which had been made with reference to Sir John C. Bucknill. He was, in fact, their honoured head, and the Association would join heartily in the expression of their congratulations.

The PRESIDENT said there was but one regret, viz., that Sir John's very great and important labours at a time when this Association was not so well known as at present had not received recognition.

The motion was then adopted with acclamation.

#### DR. CLEATON'S RETIREMENT.

The GENERAL SECRETARY announced the receipt of a letter from Dr. Cleaton, late Commissioner in Lunacy, acknowledging the communication expressing the regret of the Association on the occasion of his retirement.

#### VOTES OF THANKS.

Dr. NICOLSON, in proposing a vote of thanks to the Editors, Secretaries, Auditors, Registrar, and Treasurer, said that he was sure they would all award this vote heartily and with a genuine regard to its merits. He therefore moved that the meeting record its very cordial thanks to those various gentlemen for their successful efforts to maintain the dignity and position of the Association.

Dr. RINGROSE ATKINS seconded the motion, which was passed by acclamation.

#### APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINERS.

The PRESIDENT announced that the examiners appointed by the Council were as follows:—For England, Drs. Mercier and Kaye; for Ireland, Drs. Molony and Finnigan; and for Scotland, Drs. Turnbull and Batty Tuke.

#### PRIZE ESSAYS.

The PRESIDENT announced that in connection with the competitions for the bronze medal of the Association there were four essays sent in, all of consider-



able merit. But they had no difficulty—in fact they were unanimous in coming to the conclusion that the first place should be given to the author of the essay on “The Degenerative Lesions of the Arterial System in the Insane.” They found that the author was Dr. Cecil Beadles, to whom would be awarded the bronze medal and a prize of ten guineas. The next essay in order of merit was upon “Sulphates in the Urine of General Paralytics,” by Dr. John Turner, and the Council thought that he was well deserving of an additional prize—five guineas.

#### APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

The **PRESIDENT**—The next business relates to the Parliamentary Committee and the Educational Committee. It is proposed to reappoint them for the ensuing year. Has any gentleman anything to say with regard to these two Committees?

Mr. **WHITCOMBE** said that he had great pleasure in proposing that the Parliamentary Committee and the Educational Committee be reappointed. He did not know that the Parliamentary Committee had done anything during the past twelve months; but the Educational Committee was most useful, and had done a great deal of good work.

Dr. **PERCY SMITH** seconded the motion, which was adopted.

#### THE EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

Dr. **CLOUSON** said, as Chairman of the Educational Committee, he begged to report that they had not been idle, but had been doing good work. They did not wish, however, to submit a detailed report until matters had been put into shape. They had, however, communicated with several bodies and received courteous replies; they had, in fact, been carrying on the general work of the Committee.

#### THE CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN NURSING.

Dr. **SPENCK** (Registrar), who submitted the report upon the May examinations for the certificate of proficiency in nursing, said that he had received many letters asking for particulars with reference to these examinations, and therefore he had statistics prepared showing that at the last examination there were 356 applications for examination received, of whom two withdrew, making a total of 354 candidates who presented themselves for examination. The candidates were drawn from 29 asylums (19 English, eight Scottish, and two Irish), and there was in addition one man who was engaged in private nursing, who was examined at the Birmingham City Asylum, Winson Green. Returns had been received from each of the 29 asylums except the District Asylum, Maryboro', Ireland. The number of certificates granted amounted to 281, or (deducting the number of candidates from Maryboro' Asylum) a percentage of 83·63 on the total number examined—English Asylums 81·82, Scottish Asylums 87·14, Irish Asylums 100·00. The number of failures amounted to 55, or (deducting the number of candidates from the Maryboro' Asylum) a percentage of 16·37 on the total number examined—English Asylums 18·18, Scottish Asylums 12·26, Irish Asylums *nil*. Altogether there had been 787 certificates issued to this date, and one attendant's name had been removed from the register. He thought it was evident that this matter of examination of nurses and attendants had been taken up very warmly by superintendents throughout the United Kingdom. In his own case they passed all their candidates, and he had never read better papers. He believed that the *viva voce* examination was excellent as well. Speaking for himself and for two other asylums he thought the passes were quite deserved, and the test a good one. At Durham they only passed 13 out of 26 candidates—50 per cent. At the Criminal Asylum at Broadmoor they passed 65 per cent., and so on. On the whole he thought that they had proved the necessity for these examinations and that the result had been highly satisfactory.

The **PRESIDENT** said that these results must be considered highly satis-

factory, and the fact that a fifth of the total number of candidates had been rejected showed that the examination was not a farce. The nursing certificate was growing in favour, and this fact must be gratifying to Mr. Whitcombe, who was mainly instrumental in establishing the system.

#### COLONIAL DIVISIONS.

The PRESIDENT said that there was a motion on the paper in the name of Dr. Ernest White, and that Dr. Hack Tuke would speak for him.

Dr. HACK TUKE explained that he had received a letter from Dr. Ernest White expressing regret that he should be unable to be present at the meeting and bring the subject to which the resolution standing in his name referred before them. Dr. Ernest White had for some years past been anxious to aid in the formation of Colonial branches. In such a state of things the title of the Association should be the Medicop-Sychological Association of Great Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies. It would be for the meeting to decide whether or not the action of the Council deferring the formation of the Colonial Associations was necessary, and apart from this suggestion it only remained for him to withdraw the motion which stood in his name on the agenda paper, its *raison d'être* no longer existing. He pointed out, however, that in his opinion the right course was for divisions to bear their own expenses, as obtained in the case of the British Medical Association. He (Dr. Tuke) moved that the letter and the matter to which it referred be laid before the Council at the next meeting.

The PRESIDENT-ELECT (Dr. Conolly Norman) seconded the motion, which was adopted.

#### VOTES OF THANKS.

Dr. Hack Tuke having temporarily taken the chair,

Dr. OSCAR WOODS said that it needed no words to commend to them the motion which he had the honour of proposing, viz., a very hearty vote of thanks to the outgoing President for the way in which he had conducted the business of the Association during the past year. He had the pleasure of attending the meeting in Buxton last year, and everyone present knew that it was one of the most successful meetings ever held in connection with the Association. That meeting was pleasant in every way—pleasant in respect of business, pleasant in respect of excursions—and now that their President was leaving the chair he had the greatest pleasure in proposing that the warmest thanks of the Association be tendered to him for his dignified conduct during his year of office.

Mr. WHITCOMBE, in seconding the motion, expressed his sympathy with the remarks made by the proposer.

The CHAIRMAN (Dr. Tuke), in putting the motion, said, in addition to the remarks made by the mover of the motion, he would just remind the meeting that in consequence of the changes in the Rules, the year had been a very difficult one, and these events had materially added to the arduous duties of the President. He heartily concurred in what had been said in praise of the President's conduct during his whole term of office.

The motion was then passed by acclamation.

The RETIRING PRESIDENT, in acknowledging the vote of thanks, said his most cordial thanks were due to them for this very warm expression of their appreciation of his services. He was fully conscious of his shortcomings. The year had been in some respects an uneventful one, although they had revised their Rules and had allowed ladies to become members. They had also learned that day that their nursing certificate was very much increasing in favour. All these were matters for congratulation. For the rest he might say that but for their consideration and kind indulgence his efforts would have been feeble, and not very successful; but he had trusted to their indulgence, and on all occasions he had received it. It was extremely difficult to be always impartial, and to give at all times a decision that would be acceptable to all. But



he hoped that they would give him credit for this—that he had endeavoured to act according to his light in any decision that he had given.

In the afternoon of the same day, at the College of Physicians, the **PRESIDENT** delivered his Address (see Pt. I., p. 487); after which Prof. Fraser gave a Lantern Demonstration of a case of Porencephaly (see p. 649).

In the afternoon of June 13th the members met in the School of Physic, Trinity College, when Dr. Hack Tuke, in the unavoidable absence of the President, occupied the chair, and

The Rev. Dr. HAUGHTON, on behalf of the Provost and Senior Fellows of Trinity College, the governing body of the Dublin University, attended and gracefully welcomed the members of the Association.

Dr. HACK TUKE, having acknowledged the compliment, requested the Rev. Dr. Haughton to convey to the Provost and Senior Fellows of Trinity the best thanks of the Association.

Highly interesting Demonstrations were given, including one by Dr. Andriezen, and another by Prof. Cunningham.

#### TEMPORARY APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL.

At the adjourned General Meeting on the 14th day of June, 1894,

The **PRESIDENT** said—I wish to lay before the meeting a matter connected with the private business of the Association. Members are aware that, owing to the resignation of Dr. Paul, who so long held the office of Treasurer, and Dr. Savage, who has held with great distinction the office of co-Editor, certain changes had to be made. According to the rules, it devolved upon the Council to take action in the matter. The Council, after having appointed a Sub-Committee to aid them, have decided as will be announced to you by the General Secretary.

The **GENERAL SECRETARY** thereupon announced the result of the meeting of Council as follows:—

<i>Treasurer</i>	H. HAYES NEWINGTON, M.B.C.P.E.
<i>Assistant Editors</i>	{ A. E. URQUHART, M.D.
	{ CONOLLY NORMAN, F.R.C.P.I.
	{ EDWIN GOODALL, M.D.
<i>Auditor</i>	E. W. WHITE, M.B.
<i>Divisional Secretary for Ireland</i>	OSCAR WOODS, M.D.
<i>Divisional Secretary for Scotland</i>	A. E. TURNBULL, M.B.
<i>Members of Council to replace</i>	{ D. YELLOWLEES, M.D.
<i>Drs. White and Turnbull</i>	{ JOHN H. PAUL, M.D.

In the afternoon of the same day the members attended at the School of Physic, where Lantern Demonstrations were given by Drs. Clouston, Middlemass, W. F. Robinson, Batty Tuke, Telford Smith, and Prof. Cunningham (see Pt. I.).

#### CONCLUDING BUSINESS (JUNE 15).

Dr. McDOWALL—Our very successful and enjoyable meeting is now approaching its conclusion, and we have been able to meet under the most favourable circumstances as to our own convenience and personal comfort in the College of Physicians, which was most courteously placed at our service by the President and Fellows. And I would suggest that a formal resolution should be passed and conveyed to the President and Fellows thanking them most cordially for their great courtesy and kindness in placing these very fine rooms at our disposal.

The **GENERAL SECRETARY**—I have very great pleasure in seconding the resolution. We have had a most enjoyable meeting in comfortable rooms, and as gratitude has been defined by some as a hope of favours to come, we may express our sense of gratitude and the hope that on a future occasion we may meet here again.

The motion having been passed by acclamation,

The **PRESIDENT** said—It will be my agreeable duty to convey to the President and my other colleagues, the fellows of the College of Physicians, your

kind resolution. I am sure I speak the sentiments of the President and of the fellows of the College in saying that the Association is most heartily welcome in these halls.

Dr. HACK TUKE—As this concludes the business, it has fallen to my lot to propose a resolution to which I am sure you will all heartily respond, and that is that our cordial thanks be given to the President for his courteous and impartial conduct in the chair. This meeting in Dublin was to a large extent an experiment, and there were Cassandras who did honestly believe that with regard to the number of papers brought forward, and the early time at which the meeting was fixed, it would not be a satisfactory one. But I do not hesitate to say, and I am sure you will all agree with me, that it has been a most successful one, and as regards extending the period, it forms a hopeful precedent for the future. We have taken this hint from our cousins on the other side of the Atlantic, and we and they have found it answers to have longer annual meetings than we have had before. One other element of novelty at this meeting in Dublin has been the introduction of microscopical demonstrations on the screen, and they have met with great appreciation and admiration. We have been richly rewarded for coming to Dublin, if it were only on the ground of seeing those beautiful demonstrations. I, therefore, beg to propose formally this vote of thanks, and also to say that we owe a great deal to the General Secretary for his help during this meeting, although as regards the initiation of this meeting, the programme and so forth, the success is really owing to the President.

Dr. G. M. ROBERTSON—I have great pleasure in rising to second this vote of thanks to the President. We all know that he has taken a very great deal of trouble in order to make this meeting a success, and I think I may say it has been an unqualified success. I think that we may assure the President that this meeting will become historical, and that we shall all look back upon it with the greatest pleasure. The very good quality of the papers that we have had has been most gratifying, and, though there have been some of them massacred, I don't think that any criminal responsibility attaches to the President. He has only followed the law of Nature in taking care that there is a sufficient number of excellent survivals. We are also obliged to our foreign colleagues who have given us the benefit of their experience. I come from the Highlands of Scotland, where hospitality is a proverb and a power, but the hospitality of Dr. and Mrs. Conolly Norman, and other friends in Dublin, will be warmly remembered by us for a long time to come.

The motion having been passed by acclamation,

The PRESIDENT, in acknowledging it, said—I have to thank you very much for the kind appreciation you have shown of anything I have been able to do for you during your visit to Dublin. A great German writer has drawn attention to the illogical nature of wedding festivities. He said that a marriage was a great experiment, and that the time for rejoicing was when the experiment proved to be a success, not at the time of its inception. And the same thing might perhaps apply to our new departure with regard to our annual meetings. It remains for us to rejoice when the experiment shall have proved successful. I am, perhaps, not vain when I call myself a young man, and, therefore, it may be that I am a little inclined to be too hopeful, but I have no doubt whatever that this experiment will be a success. Dr. Hack Tuke, in the course of his graceful and kindly remarks, referred to the precedent of our sister Association in America. When I undertook this matter, I was not aware of the distinguished precedent we were following. But I should be the last in the world to be ashamed of following American precedent. Dr. Robertson has referred to the number and interest of the papers which have been read, and I am sorry to say that the number of able papers which have not been read is also very large. And here I must apologize. We were making a new beginning, and accordingly I collected more material than we have been able to undertake; but I trust that my successor in the management of such things will judge them better. Two words more. One is with reference to the demonstra-

tions which we have had at our annual meeting for the first time—I am not speaking of the members of our Association—but I must express my deep sense of obligation to Professor Fraser and to Professor Cunningham for the kindness with which they have placed before us such very magnificent preparations. And I have also to thank our Trans-Atlantic and Continental brethren for coming to the meeting and honouring us with their presence, and contributing to that expanse of the intellectual horizon which, I think, should be one great end of all our studies.

#### THE ANNUAL DINNER.

The Annual Dinner of the Association was held at the Royal College of Physicians on the evening of Wednesday, June 13th. The following members and guests were present:—The Right Hon. the Lord Mayor of Dublin; the Right Hon. Christopher Bedington, Vice-Chancellor of the Royal University of Ireland; the Right Hon. John Atkinson, Q.C.; the Rev. J. Stubbs, S.F.T.C.D.; Dr. J. E. Kenny, M.P.; Professor Edward Dowden; Dr. George Plunkett O'Farrell; Dr. W. G. Smith, President Royal College Physicians, Ireland; Dr. W. Thornley Stoker, President Royal College Surgeons, Ireland; J. M. Colles, LL.D., Chancellor's Registrar in Lunacy; the President Academy of Medicine in Ireland; Dr. Semelaigne; Dr. Jules Morel; Professors Benedikt, D. J. Cunningham, Alec. Fraser, and J. A. Scott; Drs. W. Moore, Gordon, J. Magee Finny, Little, Macan, Ball, W. Thomson, J. W. Moore, C. E. Fitzgerald, W. J. Smyly, Master of the Rotunda Hospital, Hack Tuke, Murray Lindsay, Nicolson, Urquhart, Oscar Woods, Turnbull, Beveridge Spence, Horne, Baker, Whitecombe, Fletcher Beach, Sigerson, Rutherford, Earl, Batty Tuke, Fletcher, Mercier, J. B. Burke, Garner, Telford Smith, Bond, Cameron, Hawtrey Benson, Eustace, Keay, Donelan, Agar, Elkins, Percy Smith, Finch, O'Neill, Nolan, Gramshaw, Cope, Oswald, Molony, Ringrose Atkins, Theodore Stack, T. McDowall, Lockhart Donaldson, Cullinan, Revington, G. M. Robertson, Arthur Baker, Clouston, Conolly Norman, etc.

The Association was also entertained at the Richmond Asylum by the President and Mrs. Conolly Norman, and a photographic group was arranged, particulars of which will be found on page 709.

#### ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING.

An Adjourned Annual Meeting of the Association was held in the Psychological Section Room, at Bristol, on Tuesday, the 31st of July, 1894, under the presidency of Conolly Norman, F.R.C.P.I.

The PRESIDENT said that the first business was to receive the complete balance sheet of the Treasurer, and he called on Dr. Newington to present it.

Dr. NEWINGTON rose to present the completed balance sheet to the Association, but before reading it he desired to say a few words to give additional testimony to the value of Dr. Paul's long services to the Association. He had, even in the short time since he had been put into office, seen how much care and attention were required, and he could say that Dr. Paul had left everything easy for his successor. Moreover, he had done his work with such tact that though he must needs have had frequently the unpleasant duty of pressing for arrears, he had left behind him the most pleasant feelings. He wished further to say that of late years, since the business of the Association and the number of its members had increased rapidly, it had been necessary for Dr. Paul to look for a little clerical assistance. He had lately found a valuable coadjutor in Dr. Fennings, and he (Dr. Newington) took the opportunity of expressing his appreciation of Dr. Fennings' accuracy and clearness in setting out facts. As for himself, he was deeply sensible of the honour conferred on him, and the Association might rest assured that it would receive his best services. He then made some observations on the balance sheet, explaining some of the figures, as printed on page 698.