

May I be allowed to observe that by inviting in the manner proposed communications of the kind referred to, the interest already felt in your Journal might be extended, and its circulation increased?

With apologies for thus troubling you,

I am, sir, your most obedient servant,

HENRY HAWKINS,

Chaplain of the Middlesex County Asylum, Colney Hatch.

*Appointments.*

LOLD CHANCELLOR'S VISITOR IN LUNACY.

The appointment of DR. LOCKHART ROBERTSON as Lord Chancellor's Visitor in Lunacy will be received with general satisfaction. Dr. Robertson is one of the leading authorities in this country on mental science, and is in every respect well fitted for the duties of a Visitor in Lunacy.—*British Medical Journal*, January 22.

AMSDEN, GEORGE, M.B., C.M. Edin., L.R.C.P. Lond., M.R.C.S. Eng.—Assistant Medical Officer to the Essex County Lunatic Asylum, Brentwood.

ANDERSON, A. D., M.D., has been appointed, by the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow, a Director of the Royal Lunatic Asylum at Gartnavel, Glasgow.

FREKE, H., M.D., has been appointed Visiting Physician to St. Patrick's Hospital for Lunatics, Dublin, vice C. P. Croker, M.D., deceased.

GILLAND, R. B., M.D., M.R.C.S., Assistant-Physician at the Essex Lunatic Asylum, Brentwood, has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the new Lunatic Asylum, at Cholsey, for the County of Berks.

HAIGH, H. W., L.R.C.P. Ed., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Physician to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum for the Insane.

HGBLEY, S. H., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Junior Medical Assistant at the Gloucestershire Lunatic Asylum, Gloucester, vice S. F. Bagnall, L.R.C.P., appointed Senior.

MAUDSLEY, HENRY, M.D. Lond., F.R.C.P., appointed Professor of Medical Jurisprudence in University College, London, and elected an Honorary Member of the Society for the Promotion of Psychiatry and Forensic Psychology of Vienna.

TAYLOR, W. B., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer at the Camberwell House Lunatic Asylum.

WILLIAMS, S. W. DUCKWORTH, M.D. St. And., L.R.C.P., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Sussex Lunatic Asylum, Haywards Heath.

*OBITUARY.*

SIR WILLIAM CHARLES HOOD, M.D., KNIGHT.

We regret to announce the death of Sir William Hood, Lord Chancellor's Visitor of Chancery Lunatics. Sir William commenced his career as Superintendent of the male department at Colney Hatch Asylum, and was afterwards appointed Physician to the Bethlehem Royal Hospital, in which capacity he carried out many excellent and necessary reforms. He resigned this position, being presented with the appointment of Lord Chancellor's Visitor of Chancery Lunatics. He was elected Treasurer of Bethlehem Hospital about a year ago, and immediately afterwards was created a Knight. He was author of several works—"Statistics of Insanity," "Future Provision of Criminal Lunatics," and other writings. His death will be severely felt by a large circle of relatives and friends.—*British Medical Journal*, January 15.

*A Meeting of the Members of the Medico-Psychological Association resident in the North of England and Scotland will be held in the Hall of the Faculty of Physicians and Surgeons, Glasgow, on the 27th April prox. It is requested that notice be sent of papers to the Hon. Secretary, Dr. J. Batty Tuke, Cupar, Fife, on or before the 10th April.*