

SCOTTISH DIVISION.

A meeting of the Scottish Division of the Medico-Psychological Association was held at Ayr District Asylum, Glengal, Ayr, on Friday, March 22nd, 1907.

The following members were present:—Drs. Baugh, Easterbrook, Gostwyck, Havelock, Hotchkis, Carlyle Johnstone, Keay, Kerr, A. R. MacIntyre, MacIraith, McMillan, McRae, Marr, G. M. Robertson, Turnbull, Urquhart, Wilson, and Bruce, Divisional Secretary.

Dr. Carlyle Johnstone was called to the chair.

Letters of apology were intimated from Dr. Robert Jones (President), Sir William Gairdner, Drs. Campbell, Ireland, Marshall, A. Robertson, and Watson.

The minute of last meeting was read, agreed to, and signed.

Drs. Turnbull and Bruce were appointed Representative Members of Council, and Dr. Hamilton C. Marr, Divisional Secretary.

Applications for admission as members were received from:—Patrick Steele, M.B., Ch.B.(Edinburgh), Assistant Medical Officer, Edinburgh District Asylum, Bangour, Uphall (proposed by Drs. Keay, Rutherford, and Bruce); and Stewart Carlisle Howard, M.B., Ch.B.(Aberdeen), Assistant Physician, Perth District Asylum, Murthly (proposed by Drs. Urquhart, Bruce, and Alcock).

After ballot these applicants were declared unanimously elected.

Dr. EASTERBROOK showed the members over the new hospital, and gave a clinical demonstration upon a few cases of special interest.

Drs. Urquhart, Ireland, Marr, Easterbrook, Ford Robertson, and G. M. Robertson were nominated members of the National Committee appointed to co-operate in the work of studying the causes of mental diseases and their prevention.

Dr. URQUHART gave the following notice of motion:

“That the Division at the next meeting proceed to elect a Business Committee for the Scottish Division, that it consist of three members who are at the same time ordinary members of the Council and of the Association.”

Votes of thanks to the Chairman and Dr. Easterbrook terminated the meeting. The members afterwards dined together in the Ayr Station Hotel.

IRISH DIVISION.

THE SPRING MEETING of the Division was held at Portrane Asylum on Thursday, April 11th, 1907, by the kindness of Dr. Donelan, who entertained the members at luncheon after first escorting them round the Institution.

At the meeting afterwards the chair was occupied by Dr. Donelan, and there were also present:—Drs. M. J. Nolan, T. Drapes, F. O'Mara, H. M. Cullinan, R. R. Leeper, J. J. Fitzgerald, H. M. Eustace, F. E. Rainsford, M. J. Forde, and W. R. Dawson (Hon. Sec.).

A vote of sympathy with the relatives of the late Dr. R. A. L. Graham was passed unanimously.

A letter regretting inability to be present was read from the President of the Association.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed, and signed.

A letter was read from Mrs. Woods, thanking the members of the Division for the vote of condolence passed at the last meeting.

Dr. W. R. Dawson was elected Divisional Secretary, and Drs. M. J. Nolan and T. Drapes Representative Members of Council, for the ensuing year.

The dates of the meetings of the Irish Division in the ensuing year were fixed as follows:—Tuesday, November 5th, 1907; Thursday, April 30th, 1908; and Thursday, July 2nd, 1908.

Dr. Nolan cordially assented to the unanimous wish of the members that the Summer Meeting should be held at Downpatrick Asylum.

The names of Drs. Norman, Nolan, and Dawson were directed to be forwarded to the General Secretary for service on the National Committee of the proposed International Commission for the Study of the Causes and Prevention of Mental Diseases.