

AFTER-CARE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the Association for the "After-Care of Poor and Friendless Female Convalescents on Leaving Asylums for the Insane" was held on 6th July, at 30, Cavendish Square, by the kind permission of Dr. John Ogle.

There were present, among others, the Earl of Shaftesbury (in the chair), Sir Edward Hulse, Drs. Ogle, Bucknill, D. Hack Tuke, C. Shaw, the Dowager Lady Lyttelton, Mrs. and Miss A. Gladstone, Honble. Mrs. F. Talbot, Mrs. Ogle, Mrs. Andrew Clark, Miss Agnes Cotton, &c.

The Rev. H. HAWKINS, Secretary, read the report and record of last meeting at Dr. Andrew Clark's.

Dr. SHAW, the Treasurer, referred to the need of increased funds in order to render assistance by supplementing outfits of poor convalescents, and also to make the Association better known through advertisements.

Dr. D. HACK TUKE advocated the establishment of a house of call, as a centre for the Society's work, when the amount of funds should justify the expenditure.

The Earl of SHAFTESBURY expressed his opinion that a room for the transaction of business and a secretary for the management of affairs would be required.

Votes of thanks to Dr. Ogle and the Earl of Shaftesbury were proposed by Dr. Edgar Sheppard and Dr. Bucknill. The Earl remarked that it was the 53rd year of his association with lunacy work.

It may be interesting to note that a ladies' "After-Care" *Working Society* has been promoted by one of the members of this Association, with the object of assisting poor female convalescents with gifts of clothing after leaving asylums. Any one interested in either Society may obtain information from Rev. H. Hawkins, Chaplain's House, Colney Hatch, N.

AFTER-CARE LADIES' WORKING SOCIETY

In aid of the Association for the After-Care of Poor and Friendless Female Convalescents on Leaving Asylums for the Insane.

Object.—The object of this Society is to assist poor Female Convalescents after leaving Asylums for the Insane with gifts of clothing, according to the special requirements of each case.

Rules.—1. The working parties to be held on the first Thursday in each month, at 2.30, at a place specified.

N.B. The co-operation of ladies is invited who may prefer to work for the Society at their own houses.

2. The annual subscription to be five shillings.

3. Ladies disposed to assist the Society may become honorary (i.e., non-working) members by payment of the above subscription.

Gifts of dresses, jackets, bonnets, unmade materials (flannel, calico, dress pieces, &c.), will be thankfully received.

Communications on the business of the Society to be addressed and subscriptions paid to Mrs. RICHARDSON, Parkwood House, Whetstone, N.

Assistant Secretary, Miss HAWKINS, Chaplain's House, Colney Hatch, N.

THE GENERAL MEDICAL COUNCIL AND MENTAL DISEASES.

At a meeting of the Council held July 3rd, Dr. Teale proposed "That it is desirable that the subject of mental disease should have serious consideration in any revision of curriculum and examination rules." Dr. Banks seconded the motion. Mr. Turner said he was more than doubtful as to the expediency of calling the attention of the medical authorities by resolutions of the Council