

stated to be 17 per cent.—that was to say there were 117 patients in wards which were normally intended for 100. The number of beds by which the total accommodation of county and borough asylums in England and Wales had been reduced by the use of certain asylums as war hospitals was 15,750. No further reduction of accommodation was now proceeding or in contemplation. The present proportion of doctors to patients in the county and borough asylums was 1 to 390.

#### THE LIBRARY.

MEMBERS of the Association are reminded that the Library at 11, Chandos Street, W., is open daily for reading and for the purpose of borrowing books. Books may also be borrowed by post, provided that at the time of application threepence in stamps is forwarded to defray the cost of postage. Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Lewis to enable the Association to obtain books from the lending library belonging to that firm should any desired book not be in the Library. In addition, the Committee is willing to purchase copies of such books as will be of interest to members. Certain medical periodicals are circulated among such members as intimate their desire to be included in the list.

The Committee desire to acknowledge with thanks the donation by the author of *Organic to Human, Psychological, and Sociological*, by Henry Maudsley, M.D.

Applications for books should be addressed to the Resident Librarian, Medico-Psychological Association, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W.

Other communications should be addressed to the undersigned at the City of London Mental Hospital, Dartford, Kent.

R. H. STEEN,  
*Hon. Secretary, Library Committee.*

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

THE Acting General Secretary will be glad if Medical Superintendents and other members will advise him of any service news with regard to members. He wishes to keep a record of the names of members who have been wounded or killed, or to whom military honours have been given.

#### NOTICES BY THE REGISTRAR.

##### *Dates of Nursing Examinations.*

Preliminary . . . . . November 6th, 1916.  
Final . . . . . November 13th, 1916.

#### NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

Quarterly Meetings: Tuesday, November 21st, 1916, London; Thursday, February 15th, 1917; Tuesday, May 15th, 1917.

The Divisional Meetings are proposed as follows:

*South-Eastern Division.*—October 4th, 1916, at 11, Chandos Street, W.; and April, 1917.

*South-Western Division.*—October 27th, 1916; April 27th, 1917.

*Northern and Midland Division.*—October 26th, 1916, at Wharnccliffe War Hospital, Sheffield; and April 26th, 1917, at the County Asylum, Macclesfield.

*Scottish Division.*—November 17th, 1916; March 16th, 1917.

*Irish Division.*—November 2nd, 1916; April 5th, 1917; July 5th, 1917.

#### APPOINTMENTS.

Starkey, William, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., R.U.I., Medical Superintendent of Plymouth Borough Asylum.

Mills, John, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., R.U.I., Medical Superintendent of Ballinasloe District Asylum, *vice* Dr. J. St. L. Kirwan, deceased.

English, Adeline, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., R.U.I., First Assistant Medical Officer of Ballinasloe Asylum.