

Dr. G. N. Bartlett was appointed Hon. Divisional Secretary.

Drs. Norman Lavers and G. S. Pope were elected as Representative Members of Council.

Drs. Aveline and J. M. Rutherford were elected as Members of the Committee of Management.

The Autumn Meeting was fixed for Friday, October 27th, 1916, the place of meeting being left to the Hon. Secretary, and the Spring Meeting for Friday, April 27th, 1917.

The members present alluded to the loss sustained by the Division in the recent death of Dr. C. S. Morrison, and it was proposed that the Hon. Secretary be requested to convey their sympathies to Mrs. Morrison.

NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION.

THE SPRING MEETING of the Northern and Midland Division was held, at the kind invitation of Dr. Hamilton Grills, at the County Asylum, Chester, on Thursday, April 27th, 1916. Dr. Hamilton Grills presided.

The following seven members were present: Drs. H. Dove Cormac, Graeme Dickson, G. Hamilton Grills, C. H. Gwynn, R. W. Dale Hewson, S. Rutherford Macphail, T. Stewart Adair.

Apologies were received from various members who were unable to be present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Dr. T. Stewart Adair was unanimously re-elected Secretary for the ensuing twelve months.

Owing to the membership of the Division having fallen below 150, two Representative Members only can be elected to the Council. Dr. J. R. Gilmour and Dr. D. Hunter were unanimously re-elected, Dr. J. W. Geddes having withdrawn his name.

The kind invitations of Col. Vincent, to hold the Autumn Meeting, 1916, at the Wharnccliffe War Hospital (Wadsley Asylum), Sheffield, and of Dr. H. Dove Cormac, to hold the Spring Meeting, 1917, at the Cheshire County Asylum, Macclesfield, were cordially accepted. The dates were left to the Secretary to arrange.

Dr. Power, Senior Medical Officer, County Asylum, Chester, was proposed by Dr. Cormac as a Member, and duly seconded. The Secretary stated that this would be put through the Association in the usual way.

An interesting display of various articles of restraint used in the asylum, apparently prior to 1840, was made by Dr. Grills, who gave a short description of them. They included leather appliances for securing various parts of the body, leather gloves with and without handcuffs, iron belts, etc. An informal chat followed on the present difficulty of obtaining male staff, on the employment of female staff in male wards, and other subjects of administrative interest.

A cordial vote of thanks was accorded Dr. Grills for his kind hospitality.

ASYLUM WORKERS' ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

THE Annual Meeting of the Asylum Workers' Association was held on May 17th at the rooms of the Medical Society of London, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, the President (Sir John Jardine, Bart., M.P.) in the chair.

ANNUAL REPORT, 1915 (Abridged).

The Central Executive Committee, in submitting their Annual Report for 1915, are proud to be able to record the fact that the response of members of asylum staffs to the call of King and Country has been such as to have been unexcelled in numerical proportion by that of bodies of workers in any other professions or occupations. It was estimated in May last that considerably more than 2,000 attendants in asylums in England and Wales had joined the colours, as well as numerous clerks, artisans, etc. Since that time the numbers have been added to continually, and in many instances practically all the remaining workers of military