

be gravitating; but we certainly should get very weary of keeping up a part in what Mr. Disraeli, we believe, considers the finest arena in Europe for gladiatorial display. A magnificent arena truly, but what of the elderly plutocrats who are the athletes?)

10. *On Mental Capacity in Relation to Insanity, Crime, and Modern Society.* By Christopher Smith, M.D. London: Baillière and Co.

(We cannot notice this singular production on the present occasion; all we can say is, it seems to us almost too bad to satirize a respectable physician, as the author does in his dedication to Dr. Forbes Winslow, whom he addresses as "prince of psychological science," "the involuntary objective in matters immediately connected with insanity," and when he adjures not to "bestow one mental vibration of your powerful sensorium that would imply censure!" What has Dr. Winslow done that he should thus be made a laughing-stock of?)

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*Appointments.*

BENHAM, W. T., M.B., C.M., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Resident Medical Superintendent of the Bristol Lunatic Asylum, Stapleton, vice S. H. Carter, M.D., L.R.C.S.Ed., resigned.

COURTENAY, E. M., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Clinical Assistant to the West Riding of Yorkshire Lunatic Asylum, Wakefield, vice J. Lowe, M.B., C.M., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Durham County Lunatic Asylum, Sedgefield.

DENNE, T. V. DE, L.R.C.P.Ed., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the County Asylum, Rainhill, near Prescott, vice F. Stocks, M.R.C.S.E., resigned.

EDWARDS, J. E., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the North Wales Counties Lunatic Asylum, Denbigh.

HOLLAND, J., F.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Lancashire Lunatic Asylum, Whittingham, near Preston.

KING, T. R., M.D., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Newcastle-upon-Tyne Borough Lunatic Asylum, vice Thomas Lyle, M.B., C.M.

LEY, H. R., M.R.C.S.E., Superintendent of the Salop and Montgomery Counties Lunatic Asylum, has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Lancashire Lunatic Asylum, Prestwich, vice Holland.

LYLE, T., M.B., C.M., Assistant Medical Officer of the Borough Lunatic Asylum, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Cheshire County Asylum, near Macclesfield, vice Dr. King, resigned.

MITCHELL, S., M.D., Medical Superintendent, and formerly Assistant Medical Officer at the West Riding Asylum, Wakefield, has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the South Yorkshire Asylum, Sheffield.

RUGG, B. A., L.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Earlswood Asylum for Idiots, vice R. Hullah, M.R.C.S.E., resigned.

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*Obituary.*

WILLIAM FRENCH MORRISON, M.A., F.R.C.P.Ed., Assistant Physician to the Fife and Kinross District Lunatic Asylum, on board the *Strathdon*, at Sydney, aged 27, on December 12th, 1871.

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*Erratum.*

In page 622 of the January number, line 33, for 1851 read 1821.