

Guy's Hospital. Clinique on Mental Diseases.—Dr. Thompson Dickson has been appointed *interim* Lecturer on Mental Diseases at Guy's Hospital. The pupils will have the advantage of attending the practice of St. Luke's Hospital, of which Dr. Dickson has recently been elected resident medical superintendent.

Town's Hospital, Glasgow. Clinique on Mental Diseases.—A course of clinical instruction in mental disease will be given during the Summer Session, by Dr. Alexander Robertson, in the City Parochial Asylum. We understand that the accommodation for the insane in this Institution has lately been extended, so that now upwards of two hundred patients can be received. As all forms of insanity are under treatment, students have here a valuable field for observation open to them, in a department which has hitherto been too much cut off from the ordinary branches of medical study. Dr. Alexander Robertson has shown by his published papers on aphasia and other cerebral diseases, that he has made use of his opportunities for minute and accurate observation on the pathology of Insanity, while his "Notes of a Visit to American Asylums," in the April Number of the *Journal of Mental Science*, bears evidence of his familiarity with its general management, and the internal economy of institutions intended for its treatment.—*The Glasgow Medical Journal, May, 1869.*

Appointments.

THE MORISON LECTURES, ROYAL COLLEGE OF PHYSICIANS, EDINBURGH.

The President of the Royal College of Physicians has appointed DR. ARTHUR MITCHELL, Deputy Commissioner in Lunacy, to deliver the six annual lectures on mental diseases for the next three years.

ADAM, C., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Medical Officer to the District Lunatic Asylum for the County Elgin.

ALLAN, C. J., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Visiting Physician of the Gilmour House Lunatic Asylum, Liberton, Edinburgh.

DEAS, P. MAURY, M.D. Edin., Senior Assistant Physician to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum, has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the New Cheshire County Lunatic Asylum. The *Scotsman* says Dr. Deas is the fourteenth assistant who has left this Asylum to become medical superintendent of other asylums in England and Scotland.

DICKSON, J. THOMPSON, M.A.M.B. Cantab., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital for Lunatics.

GILL, H. C., M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A., Resident Clinical Assistant at the Bethlem Royal Hospital, has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Nottingham County and Borough Lunatic Asylum.

KING, T. R., M.D. Edin., has been appointed Junior Assistant Physician to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum for the Insane.

MORRISON, W. F., L.R.C.P. Ed. has been appointed Assistant Medical Superintendent of the Fife and Kinross District Asylum, Cupar.

Books, Pamphlets, &c., received for Review, 1869.

(Continued from *Journal of Mental Science, April, 1869.*)

A History of European Morals from Augustus to Charlemagne. By W. E. H. Lecky, M.A. 2 Vols. 8vo. *This work will be fully reviewed in the next number (October) of this Journal.*

Eleventh Annual Report of the General Board of Commissioners in Lunacy for Scotland. Presented to both Houses of Parliament by command of Her Majesty. Edinburgh: Printed for Her Majesty's Stationery Office, by Thomas Constable. 1869.

- On Counter-Irritation. A Theory constructed by the Deductive Method of Investigation. By James Ross M.D. Newchurch, near Manchester. John Churchill and Sons, New Burlington Street. (*Pamphlet.*)
- Diaphoresis : a Powerful Aid in the Arrest and Removal of Human Disease, and thereby prolonging Life. By Charles Clarke, M.A. Cantab., M.R.C.S. John Churchill and Sons, New Burlington Street. (*Pamphlet.*)
- Observations D'Hystéro Epilepsie Chez l'Homme Précédées d'une étude sur le Diagnostic Différentiel des Convulsions Hystériques Epileptiques et Hystéro-Epileptiques. Par M. le Dr. Ach. Foville fils, Médecin adjoint de la Maison Impériale de Charenton. Memoire lu a la Société de Médecine de Paris, le 20 decembre 1867. Extrait du Recueil des travaux de la Société, t. iv. (*Pamphlet.*)
- Du Delirium Tremens de la dipsomanie et de l'Alcoolisme Notice Historique et Bibliographique par le Dr. Foville fils. Extrait des Archives générales de Médecine, numéro d'octobre 1867. (*Pamphlet.*)
- Annual Address before the Medical Society of the State of New York, February 5th, 1868. By John P. Gray, M.D., President of the Society, and Medical Superintendent of the New York State Asylum, Utica. (*Pamphlet.*)
- A Case of Aphasia. By H. Grainger Stewart, M.D. Communicated to the Northumberland and Durham Medical Society. Newcastle-upon-Tyne : Printed by M. & M. W. Lambert, Grey Street, 1869. (*Pamphlet.*)
- On the Identity of the Vital and Cosmical Principle, by Robert Lewins, M.D., Staff Surgeon-Major to Her Majesty's Forces. Lewes : George P. Bacon, Steam Printing Offices. 1869. (*Pamphlet.*) See Part II. Reviews.
- Perspiration by the Turkish Bath, as removing Disease : with a Preface and Appendix, by Charles Bryce, M.D., F.R.P. & S., Author of Sketch of the State of Medicine in Turkey, Memoir on the Intermittent Fever of the Levant, England and France before Sebastopol, &c. Second Edition. Brighton : H. and C. Treacher. 1869. (*Pamphlet.*)
- Bericht über die Heilanstalt für Nervenkrankte bei Blankenburg am Harz. Von Dr. Otto Müller, dirigirendem Arzte. Braunschweig, Druck und Papier von Friedrich Vieweg und Sohn. 1869. (*Pamphlet.*)
- More Light : a Dream in Science. London : Wyman and Sons, 74-75, Great Queen Street, Lincoln's-Inn Fields, W.C. 1860. (*Pamphlet.*)
- Bathing : How to do it, When to do it, and Where to do it. By Edgar Sheppard, M.D., Member of the Royal College of Physicians, Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons, Medical Superintendent of the Male Department of Colney Hatch Lunatic Asylum. Third Edition. London : Robert Hardwicke, 192, Piccadilly. 1869. (*Pamphlet.*)

Obituary.

DR. WILLIAM SELLER.

Edinburgh has lost one of her most esteemed citizens, and the profession one of its most accomplished members, by the death of Dr. William Seller. The deceased gentleman graduated at the University of that city in 1821, and for several years acted as medical tutor in preparing undergraduates for their preliminary and final examinations. Those were the days when the thesis, or medical dissertation, with which each graduate was required to inaugurate his assumption of the Doctor's gown, was written and defended in the Roman tongue ; and Dr. Seller's accurate and elegant scholarship was often laid under contribution by candidates whose Latin was (in Charles Lever's phrase) "on the peace establishment." Few men possessed a deeper or finer knowledge of the Greek and Latin medical writers, or could clothe with a more classic grace the ideas of modern medicine in the language of Celsus.

In 1836, Dr. Seller became a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh ; and continued to diversify the labours of his increasing medical