

gesting reasons why that recent structure should break down early, because if there was failure of nuclear proliferation of the neuroblasts one did not get the patient unable to walk and living a vegetative existence; he was an imbecile. The part arrested was the latest developed phylogenetically. There were people who became old sooner than others without apparent reason; in others the mind became affected. Apart from this disease there was evidence of defective metabolism, and there were present lipoid granules instead of Nissl granules in the cells. On this question of durability he thought stress came most upon the latent structures and they were unable to bear it, and the weakness was accordingly brought out in the highest level first, therefore symptoms arose in consequence of this loss of control. In primitive races it was there, but it depended on the recovery of social experience and religions. All that, however, was secondary to the dementia. The typical form of the disease was dementia simplex—loss of mind—and that he associated with degeneration of the nerve cell, which could not be repaired. Many of the symptoms met with might depend on the hypo-function, and they might get better. He was very glad to have had the matter discussed fully; he quite appreciated Prof. Robertson's criticisms; but when people said there was no material basis for the disease he thought the time had come to protest.

THE THIRD MAUDSLEY LECTURE, BY SIR MAURICE CRAIG, C.B.E.,
M.D., F.R.C.P.

After the luncheon interval the meeting re-assembled at the old County Hall, Spring Gardens, London, S.W., to hear Sir Maurice Craig deliver the Third Maudsley Lecture, the subject being—"Some Aspects of Education and Training in Relation to Mental Disorder."

In introducing the Lecturer, the PRESIDENT said he did not propose to intervene for more than a brief moment between those assembled and the lecture they were all so much looking forward to hear. It was, however, his privilege to remind them that the man, after whose name—though not at his request—this Lectureship had been most appropriately called, was one of the foremost, perhaps the foremost neuro-psychiatrist of his day, and, as Medical Superintendent of Cheadle Royal, Dr. Maudsley greatly added to the fame of that mental hospital. His professional knowledge and skill were great, to which was added a philosophical bent which stamped his many writings, and raised the important books of which he was the author from that plain in which, as the result of subsequent research, so many scientific works find oblivion, into classics and masterpieces which will endure. His interest in the study and treatment of mental disorders was so profound that many years before his death he stripped himself of most of his fortune, which he handed to the London County Council—whose County Hall has been kindly lent for this occasion—in order to enable them to found the hospital now known as the Maudsley Hospital, which is in course of being opened for the purposes Maudsley intended, and where Sir Frederick Mott did so much work during the war on behalf of the soldiers. This gift of money received a substantial addition under Dr. Maudsley's will, in which was also a bequest to the Medico-Psychological Association which enabled it to establish this Annual Lectureship. They were very fortunate this year to have secured the services of Sir Maurice Craig, and he now called upon him to deliver the third Maudsley Lectureship.

At the completion of the Maudsley Lecture, the PRESIDENT congratulated Sir Maurice Craig on his most excellent address, and Sir MAURICE CRAIG suitably replied.

SOUTH-EASTERN DIVISION.

THE SPRING MEETING of the South-Eastern Division was held by the courtesy of Dr. F. R. P. Taylor and the Visiting Committee at the East Sussex County Mental Hospital, Hellingly, Sussex, on Tuesday, May 2nd, 1922.

Among visitors present were Miss C. G. K. Scovell (a member of the Committee), and Sir C. O'Brien Harding (a past member of the Committee), Dr. Graham (Specialist, Neurological Clinic at Brighton), Mr. R. C. McQueen, Dr. T. Turner, Dr. Hamilton (D.C.M.S., Brighton), and Rev. H. R. White (Chaplain).

At the close of the luncheon a vote of thanks to Dr. Taylor and the Committee was proposed by Dr. C. Hubert Bond and carried with acclamation. Dr. Taylor replied on behalf of himself and the Committee.

The General Meeting was held at 2.30 p.m., Dr. C. Hubert Bond in the Chair. The Minutes of the last meeting were taken as read and confirmed. Dr. Noel Sergeant and Drs. John Brander, F. H. Edwards, J. G. Porter Phillips and F. R. P. Taylor were unanimously elected Hon. Divisional Secretary and Representative Members of the Council respectively for the year 1922-23. Drs. Cedric W. Bower, A. Helen Boyle and J. N. G. Nolan were elected members of the Divisional Committee of Management.

The following gentlemen were elected as Ordinary Members:

BACK, FREDERICK, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Junior Assistant Medical Officer, East Sussex County Mental Hospital Hellingly, Sussex.

Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. G. Nolan, and Noel Sergeant.

DUNCAN, WILLIAMS ARTHUR, M.B., Ch.B.Edin., Second Assistant Medical Officer, East Sussex County Mental Hospital, Hellingly, Sussex.

Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. G. Nolan, and Noel Sergeant.

DUNLEA, JOHN G., M.B., B.Ch., N.U.I., Assistant Medical Officer, Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone.

Proposed by Drs. H. Wolseley-Lewis, W. E. Collier, and Noel Sergeant.

GRAHAM, MALCOLM FRANK DOUGLESS, B.A., M.D.Toronto, M.C.P.&S. Ontario, Specialist at Neurological Clinic, Ministry of Pensions, Brighton, 3, Whitehall Place, London, S.W. 1.

Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. G. Nolan, and Noel Sergeant.

MCCORD, ROBERT N. B., M.B., B.Ch.Belf., Assistant Medical Officer, Brookwood Mental Hospital, Surrey.

Proposed by Drs. J. A. Lowry, W. Brooks Keith, and Noel Sergeant.

MARTYN, PIERCE PATRICK, M.B., B.Ch., R.U.I., Assistant Medical Officer, Kent County Mental Hospital, Maidstone.

Proposed by Drs. H. Wolseley-Lewis, W. E. Collier, and Noel Sergeant.

STEWART, FRANCIS HUGH, M.A., D.Sc.St.And., M.D.Edin., Major I.M.S. (retired), Assistant Medical Officer, County Mental Hospital, Cambridge.

Proposed by Drs. M. A. Archdale, A. F. Reardon, and Noel Sergeant.

The invitation of Dr. A. Helen Boyle to hold the Autumn Meeting, 1922, at Hove was accepted with many thanks. (*Note.*—This acceptance has been postponed until Spring, 1923.)

PAPERS.

"Present Treatment of Incipient Insanity in East Sussex," by Dr. J. N. G. NOLAN. This paper was supplemented by a few remarks from Dr. HARPER and Dr. GRAHAM concerning the work at the Clinic at Brighton, and by Dr. TAYLOR, who spoke of the efforts that were being made to inaugurate a central clinical laboratory that would serve the needs of the three Sussex and two Kent County Mental Hospitals. Dr. C. HUBERT BOND expressed his appreciation of these communications and opened the discussion, in which the following members and visitors participated: Sir WILLIAM J. COLLINS, Sir C. O'BRIEN HARDING, Drs. COLLINS, BAIRD, BOWER, and MCDOWALL.

"Lilliputian Hallucinations," by M. LEROY. This paper was read by Dr. G. W. B. JAMES, who mentioned one case which he had met with in his own practice. Sir WILLIAM J. COLLINS also mentioned an extremely interesting case, in which he attributed these "lilliputian hallucinations" to the effect of an early cataract on an abnormally imaginative temperament.

Owing to the lateness of the hour it was impossible to continue the discussion, but the communication is to be printed in the *Journal of Mental Science*, with a suggestion that readers shall send to the journal a short account of any similar case, or cases, coming under their observation.

The members were then entertained to tea, which brought to its conclusion another pleasant and instructive meeting.

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

THE SPRING MEETING of the Division was held, by the kind invitation of Dr. Peachell, at the Dorset County Mental Hospital, Herrison, Dorchester, on Friday, April 28th, 1922.

General Gordon Stewart, Major Gundry, Rev. Slemeck, and Drs. Ash, Gowring, Rodd and Smerdon were present as visitors.