

A positive reaction was shown under the microscope. The visitors were interested in some excellent slides showing spirochætes in the cortex of a brain of a general paralytic, stained by Jahnel's method, and also some slides showing what appeared to be degenerated spirochætes in a preparation taken from the cortex of a general paralytic who had been treated by malarial therapy, but who had died from abscess of the lung—this preparation was also stained by Jahnel's method.

In conclusion some cinema pictures of cases of dementia præcox showing stereotyped movements were thrown on the screen.

Tea was served at the end of the meeting.

Middleton Hall Private Mental Hospital, Middleton St. George, Durham.

The third Clinical Meeting of the Newcastle-on-Tyne area was held at the above hospital on Wednesday, June 27, 1928. Present, five members. Dr. J. W. Astley-Cooper presided.

Dr. T. C. BARKAS read an interesting paper by Dr. J. W. Astley-Cooper describing two cases of anxiety hysteria with conversion symptoms which were treated and cured in 1917. Two similar cases were being treated at present, in a similar manner, after eight and ten years' neglect respectively, but while very considerable benefit has followed, a cure had not been, and possibly will not be, obtained.

The object of the paper was mainly to show how the resistance to the stimuli causing the patients' symptoms had in the latter cases become so weakened that almost any stimulus, even remotely associated with those originally responsible for the hysterical manifestations, was now capable of bringing these about, and to encourage a discussion on the failure of such resistance and the further treatment of these particular cases.

Dr. M. A. ARCHDALE spoke shortly on the treatment of psycho-neuroses at his out-patient clinic.

Tea was kindly provided by Mrs. Astley-Cooper.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The Tavistock Clinic for Functional Nervous Disorders, 51, Tavistock Square, W.C. 1.—Dr. Ira S. Wile, Neuro-psychiatrist in charge of the Children's Department of Mount Sinai Hospital, in New York, will give a Course of five lectures on "The Problem Child," from Monday, July 2, to Friday, July 6, 1928, at 8 p.m. each evening: July 2—General Nature of the Problem; July 3—Physical Problems; July 4—Intellectual Problems; July 5—Emotional Problems; July 6—Social Problems.

Each afternoon, at 5.30 p.m., Dr. Wile will conduct a Demonstration Clinic, with patients. Those who take tickets for the above Lecture Course in advance will receive a ticket available for one specified Demonstration.

As accommodation is limited it is very desirable that application for tickets for the Course should be made without delay. At the same time applicants should state which day they prefer for attendance at the Demonstrations, giving, if possible, a second choice.

Fee (Lecture Course and One Demonstration), one guinea. Tickets should be obtained in advance from the Hon. Lecture Secretary at the Clinic.

ST. AUDRY'S HOSPITAL, MELTON.

OPENING OF THE NEW NURSES' HOME.

On Saturday, May 19, 1928, the New Nurses' Home at St. Audry's Hospital was formally opened by Lady Cranworth in the unavoidable absence of Lady Bristol.

There were present Mr. L. G. Brock, C.B., Chairman of the Board of Control (*vide* p. 516), Mr. F. L. Bland (Chairman), Mr. W. R. Hustler (Vice-Chairman), other