

he hoped for himself. He believed his visit had cheered the invalid, and he came away charged with a message of regret and hopes for a successful meeting. He, the speaker, thought it would be a great comfort to Dr. Mercier if he were to receive the regrets and sympathy of this meeting, and perhaps he might be allowed to convey that message.

Agreed to with expressions of much sympathy.

SCOTTISH DIVISION.

A MEETING of the Scottish Division of the Medico-Psychological Association was held at H.M. Prison, Perth, on Friday, March 14th, 1913.

Present: Drs. Alcock, Bruce, Carre, Chislett, Clarkson, Havelock, Hotchkis, Carlyle Johnstone, Keay, Kellas, Mitchell, Muirhead, T. C. Mackenzie, McRae, Oswald, Parker, Ross, Shaw, Soutar, Sturrock, Urquhart, and R. B. Campbell, Divisional Secretary.

There were also present as guests: The Master of Polwarth, Chairman of H.M. Prison Commission, Mrs. Sturrock, Drs. Lyell, Hume, Stirling, Taylor, McCall Smith, Paton, Menzies, Meek.

Dr. J. Greig Soutar, President of the Association, occupied the Chair.

The Master of Polwarth, Chairman of the Prison Commission, welcomed the members of the Division, and briefly described the accommodation of the Prison, and the arrangements made by the Prison Commissioners for the care of state inebriates and criminal lunatics.

The minutes of the last Divisional meeting were read and approved, and the Chairman was authorised to sign them.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Sir Thomas Clouston, Drs. Alexander, D. G. Campbell, Dunlop, Easterbrook, Macdonald, Reid, G. M. Robertson, Turnbull, and Yellowlees.

Drs. G. M. Robertson and G. Douglas McRae were unanimously elected Representative Members of Council, and Dr. R. B. Campbell was elected Divisional Secretary.

Dr. Hotchkis was nominated as an Examiner for the Certificate in Psychological Medicine.

The following candidates after ballot were admitted to membership of the Association: Dermid Maxwell Ross, M.B., Ch.B.Edin., Assistant Physician, Royal Edinburgh Asylum (proposed by Drs. G. M. Robertson, Dods Brown and Ross); Percy William Page Bedford, M.B., Ch.B.Edin., Clinical Assistant, Royal Edinburgh Asylum (proposed by Drs. G. M. Robertson, Dods Brown, and Ross).

After the formal business of the Division had been transacted, Dr. Sturrock showed the members over the Lunatic Department and other parts of the Prison and described the methods adopted for dealing with insane and mentally defective prisoners.

On the meeting re-assembling after the tour of inspection of the Prison, Dr. Sturrock read an instructive and interesting paper on "The Mentally Defective Criminal" (see page 314).

Votes of thanks to the Prison Commissioners and Dr. Sturrock for their hospitality, and for the trouble which they had taken to make such an interesting and successful meeting, and also to the President for his conduct in the chair, concluded the business of the meeting.

The members afterwards dined together in the Station Hotel, Perth.

THE AFTER-CARE ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 25th, 1913.

Sir JAMES MOODY, who presided, said that he had accepted the invitation to occupy the chair because he was very much indebted to the Association, which assists the class of the community which is most unable to assist itself.