

Part IV.—Notes and News.

THE ROYAL MEDICO-PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

QUARTERLY MEETING.

THE usual Quarterly Meeting of the Association was held on Thursday, February 14, 1929, at the British Medical Association House, 19B, Tavistock Square, London, W.C. 1, under the presidency of Prof. J. Shaw Bolton, D.Sc., M.D., F.R.C.P.

THE MINUTES.

The minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read, and were approved and signed by the President, having already appeared in the *Journal of Mental Science*.

OBITUARY.

The PRESIDENT said that he had to announce the deaths of three members of the Association.

Dr. John Valerian George Brosnan Tighe.

The first was Dr. Tighe, Medical Superintendent of the Gateshead Mental Hospital at Stannington, and Secretary of the Northern and Midland Division since 1927.

He was for many years a medical officer at the North Riding Mental Hospital, Clifton, Yorks; he went to Gateshead in 1913 when that institution was opened, and had been a most successful Superintendent; indeed he really had been Gateshead. On January 21 he was "found dead" in bed. No one had known that he was not in good health. When the speaker last saw him, in July, he appeared to be taking a good deal of care of himself, so one could only conclude that he had some illness of which he did not care to tell anyone. He had no relatives and no particular friends, consequently no one knew much about his private life. That was all most regrettable, but fortunately for the Northern and Midland Division Dr. J. R. Gilmour was able to take over this Divisional secretaryship.

All who knew Tighe appreciated him as a loyal friend and pleasant colleague, but he was a man whom it was difficult to know, as he was so shy and reserved. He would be greatly missed as one who had taken a keen interest in the work of the Association. During the two years that he was Secretary of his Division he had worked hard for its success. The Association sent a wreath to the funeral at Stannington Churchyard, where a large crowd of mourners gathered to pay a final tribute to his memory, though, on account of the distance, not many members of the Association were present.

Dr. Tighe had a fine war record, and attained the rank of lieutenant-colonel.

Dr. Hugh Frank Bodvel-Roberts.

Another deceased member was Dr. Bodvel-Roberts, who joined the Association in 1904. Dr. Worth would say a word about him.

Dr. REGINALD WORTH (General Secretary) said the late Dr. Bodvel-Roberts had been a Medical Officer at Napsbury for a considerable number of years and was Senior Assistant at the time of his death. He started his psychiatric career late in life. At one time there arose the question of his appointment as Medical Superintendent, but his age proved a barrier to this ambition. He was an agreeable colleague, and was well liked at Napsbury and would be much missed.

Dr. Donald Graham Campbell.

Dr. DONALD ROSS said he could not say much about him, because, like Dr. Tighe, he was somewhat seclusive. He was a medical practitioner at Elgin, and was Assistant Medical Officer (non-resident) of Elgin District Mental Hospital. He was a very efficient medical officer, and managed his hospital well and took great interest in the education of the nursing staff. Dr. Campbell was a son of the manse, in Argyllshire, and lived close to the residence of Sir John Sibbald. He was a charming and well-read man, and during the war rendered distinguished service; he rose to the rank of colonel. His death, at a comparatively early age, was due almost entirely to ill-health contracted in the war, which, indeed, led to his retirement from active practice. He joined the Association in 1909.

The PRESIDENT: I feel sure it will be your wish to direct the General Secretary to send appropriate letters of condolence in your name to the relatives in the case of Drs. Campbell and Bodvel-Roberts.

The meeting rose and stood in silence for a brief space of time as a mark of respect to the deceased.

THE REPORT OF THE COUNCIL.

The PRESIDENT said the Council had had many interesting matters before them, of these only three need be mentioned:

Mr. F. Sully had been appointed Parliamentary Agent by authority of the Annual Meeting.

The Council had received with regret the resignation of Dr. G. W. B. James as Honorary Secretary to the Parliamentary Committee, to take effect in July.

It had been intimated from New Zealand that there was a desire to form a branch of the Association there. With this object in view, New Zealand had been advised to first form a Colonial Division.

Through the kindness of Prof. Spearman, the tenth Maudsley Lecture would be delivered in the Botanical Theatre, University College, London, on Wednesday, May 22, following the usual Quarterly General Meeting, which, with the Council meeting, would be held at the same place.

The Committees would meet at the British Medical Association House at the usual time on the previous day.

ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS.

The PRESIDENT nominated as scrutineers for the ballot Dr. Ross and Dr. James. The following were unanimously elected members of the Association:

GLAISTER, JOHN NORMAN, M.B., B.S.Lond., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Assistant Medical Officer, Northumberland House, Finsbury Park, N. 4.; 26, New Cavendish Street, W. 1.

Proposed by Drs. Frederick Dillon, B. Hart and F. R. King.

ANDERSON, JOHN COLQUHOUN, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B.Glasg., Dipl. Psych., Senior Medical Officer, Royal Asylum, Montrose; "Sunnyside," Montrose, Scotland.

Proposed by Drs. C. J. Shaw, Neil T. Kerr and W. M. Buchanan.

HANDLEY, RICHARD, M.B., Ch.B.Manch., D.P.M.; Boothroyden House, Rhodes, Manchester.

Proposed by Drs. David Blair, G. W. A. Watson and J. Ernest Nicole.

STEPHEN, KARIN, M.A.Camb., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Clinical Assistant, Cassell Hospital, Swaylands; 50, Gordon Square, W.C. 1.

Proposed by Drs. M. E. Franklin, R. Worth and J. Ernest Nicole.

STEPHEN, ADRIAN LESLIE, B.A., M.B., B.S.Lond., Barrister-at-law, Clinical Assistant, Maudsley Hospital; 50, Gordon Square, W.C. 1.

Proposed by Drs. M. E. Franklin, R. Worth and J. Ernest Nicole.

MILLER, EMANUEL, M.A.Camb., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., D.P.M., Clinical Psychologist, West End Hospital for Nervous Diseases; 28, Wimpole Street, W. 1.

Proposed by Drs. Noel H. M. Burke, R. Worth and J. Ernest Nicole.

MARSH, REX GODFREY BLAKE, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., D.P.M., Assistant Medical Officer, Claybury Mental Hospital, Woodford Bridge, Essex.

Proposed by Drs. G. F. Barham, F. Paine and H. W. Parnis.

DISCUSSION ON GENERAL PARALYSIS.

The adjourned discussion on general paralysis was then resumed (*vide* p. 271), at the conclusion of which the meeting terminated.

DIVISIONAL CLINICAL MEETING.

Cheshire County Mental Hospital, Parkside, Macclesfield.

A Clinical Meeting was held at this hospital, by kind invitation of Dr. H. Dove Cormac, Medical Superintendent, on March 21, 1929.

Eight members and two non-members were present.

Dr. DOVE CORMAC read a paper entitled "Light Therapy in Mental Hospitals" (to be published in July) and an interesting discussion followed, in which most of those present took part.

The visitors were entertained to lunch.

Hollymoor Mental Hospital, Birmingham.

A Clinical Meeting of the Birmingham area was held, by the courtesy of Dr. T. C. Graves, at this hospital on March 26, 1929.

Present: Thirteen members. Dr. T. C. Graves presided.

Dr. H. E. BROWN read a paper, showing the actual cases, bearing on the association of sensory disturbances of the scalp and involvements of the accessory sinuses, etc., of the nose.

In all cases there was muscular headache, practically defined by the limits of the attachment of the temporal muscle on the side affected, and apparently due to spasm of that muscle.

Active surgical treatment had led to the disappearance of the headache.

Afterwards Dr. F. A. PICKWORTH showed a number of lantern-slides illustrating sinusitis, and later in the laboratory gave an excellent demonstration of the actual specimens.

A very interesting and extremely stimulating afternoon was spent.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

The Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh.—The Morison Lectures will be delivered by Dr. R. Dods Brown, F.R.C.P., on June 3, 5, and 7, 1929, at 5 p.m. Subject: "Some Observations on the Treatment of Mental Diseases."

The Morison Lecturer proposes to discuss the subject as follows: Some historical notes on treatment. Methods of treatment recently introduced, including those of general paralysis, latent syphilis, dementia præcox, etc. Heliotherapy, actinotherapy, occupational therapy.

University of London.—Advanced Lectures in Psychology. A Course of Two Lectures on the Psychology of Dementia will be given at University College, Gower Street, W.C. 1, by Prof. E. D. Wiersma, Professor of Psychiatry in the University of Groningen, at 5.30 p.m. on May 29 and 30, 1929. The lectures will be delivered in English, and illustrated with lantern-slides. Admission free, without ticket.

THE MENTAL AFTER-CARE ASSOCIATION.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The Mental After-Care Association held its Annual Meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 1929, at Bridewell Royal Hospital, New Bridge Street, London, E.C. 4, by kind permission of the Governors. The President, Col. Sir Charles Wakefield, Bart., C.B.E., presided.

In opening the proceedings he said: I have pleasure in once more presiding at the annual meeting of this excellent cause. We are glad to have many of our