

to the special training of attendants and nurses in asylum work, and it was mainly on his initiative that the Scottish Division took up the question of providing more systematic instruction for them. He acted as convener of the first committee appointed for that purpose, and wrote one section of the *Handbook for Attendants*, which has since been enlarged and adopted by the Association as its authorised text-book for the examination for the certificate of proficiency in nursing and attendance on the insane. He found time also for original investigations in the more strictly medical portion of his work, and made valuable contributions to the journals, his papers on puerperal insanity being especially noteworthy. He likewise filled the post of Mackintosh Lecturer on Psychological Medicine in St. Mungo's College, Glasgow, and published a *Clinical Manual of Mental Diseases*. During the last two years the state of his health had caused much anxiety, and for a time he had to give up work entirely and go to the South of England to recruit. He rallied somewhat, but his health was never good again, and the end has come all too soon to an active life. He was twice married, and leaves a widow and family, with whom much sympathy is felt in their loss. To know Dr. Clark in private life was to recognise his broad-minded sympathies, his great consideration for others, and his thorough goodness of heart. By his death the Association, and particularly the Scottish Division, loses a most valued member, and one who was foremost in working for the advancement of everything connected with our special department of medicine.

RESIGNATION OF THE REGISTRAR.

Every member of our Association will regret to hear that Dr. Benham has felt it necessary to place his resignation in the hands of the President. His health has been unsatisfactory of late, and he has been obliged to apply for a long leave of absence. Dr. Beveridge Spence has kindly consented to carry on the work until more permanent arrangements can be made. The Association is deeply indebted to these gentlemen for all the laborious work which they have done in the office of Registrar. We hope that Dr. Benham will return to his post with renewed health and vigour.

NOTICES BY THE REGISTRAR.

EXAMINATION FOR THE NURSING CERTIFICATE.

One hundred and twenty-seven candidates applied for admission to the November examination for this certificate. Of this number eighty-nine were successful, thirty-three failed to satisfy the examiners, and five withdrew. The following is a list of the successful candidates:

Derby County Asylum, Mickleover.—Males: George Davidson Anthony, Walter Thomas Smith, Henry Yates. Female: Agnes Campbell.

Kent County Asylum, Maidstone.—Males: William Albert Bradford, Percy Hubbard, Clement Newman, John Moore Richards, Jesse George Stanford, John Woodsell. Females: Lucy Flora Hayter, Nellie Reeves, Emily Spurgeon.

London County Asylum, Bexley.—Males: William Bengier, Arnold Carryer, William Henry Carver, Frederick Montague Jeffery, Edward Mitchell, James Robbens. Females: Margaret Hassell, Alice Holland.

Somerset and Bath County Asylum, Cotford, Taunton.—Males: William John Homer, Philip Pook. Females: Ellen Locke, Alice Miller, Lily Tuck.

Warwick County Asylum, Hatton.—Females: Rose Anna Boyle, Clara Chance. Mary Jemima Harvey, Elizabeth Mason, Henrietta Elizabeth Steadman.

Joint Counties Asylum, Carmarthen.—Males: Thomas Evans, Arthur Fishpool. Females: Theodosia Davies, Mary Ann Griffiths, Lillian Margaret Jeffreys, Mary

Hannah Lloyd, Agnes Margaretta Poyntz, Winifred Wintour, Florence Agnes Wood, Elizabeth Morgan.

Peckham House Asylum, London.—Males: Edward Ablitt, Rudland Bere. Females: Edith Emily Baxter, Alexandra Emily Hill, Elizabeth Lewis, Margaret Christina Simpson.

The Retreat, York.—Females: Susan Emily Clark, Isabella Annie Hearder, Ethel Mary McKew.

Prestwich Asylum, Manchester.—Male: William Rowarth Stubbins.

SCOTLAND.

District Asylum, Inverness.—Male: Donald MacDonald.

James Murray's Royal Asylum, Perth.—Males: John Cameron, Donald McLeish. Female: Christina Mustard Ford.

Kirklands Asylum, Bothwell.—Males: George Bryce, James Saunders Lubanski.

Roxburgh District, Melrose.—Female: Jane Clubb.

Royal Asylum, Edinburgh.—Females: Margaret Copinger, Bessie Marwick, Robina Milne, Elizabeth Porter, Agnes Thorburn Purves, Hannah Elizabeth Robertson, Margaret Jane Sinclair, Annie Winkle.

IRELAND.

District Asylum, Londonderry.—Male: John O'Donnell. Female: Catherine McDevitte.

District Asylum, Omagh.—Males: Peter Kelly, John McConkey. Females: Isabella Armstrong, Susan Boyle, Mary Anne Martin, Ellen McCullagh, Minnie McCreery, Mary Anne McEnhill, Kate Mullan, Mary Stewart.

St. Patrick's Hospital, Dublin.—Male: Patrick Cleary. Females: Kate Campbell, Alice Sherry.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Valkenberg Asylum.—Females: Kate O'Reilly, Violet Ulrich, Kate Walker.

Robben Island Asylum.—Males: John Lineker, Walter Frederick Rigley. Females: Florence Maud Bernott, Katherine Moore, Elizabeth Gerber.

The following is a list of the questions which appeared on the paper:

1. Describe the mechanism of respiration. State what changes take place in the blood and in the air during respiration.
2. What are muscles? What are the different kinds of muscles? Of what uses are they and how do they act? Give the names of some of the principal muscles.
3. How would you arrest bleeding from (1) an artery? (2) a vein—say in the leg?
4. What are—(1) fomentations? (2) stupes? (3) inhalations? (4) gargles?
5. What dangers are sick people exposed to by change of temperature in sick wards?
6. What do you understand by the "insane ear"? What other name is used for it? In what cases does it occur and how is it caused?
7. Describe fully what is meant by a "draw-sheet." What are its uses? How do you change it when a patient is still in bed?
8. What are the principal points upon which the medical officers at their visits may require information from you regarding sick patients who may be placed under your care?
9. What precautions would you take in preparing a bath for a patient?
10. What is meant by "impulsiveness"? What are the chief morbid impulses to be watched for in insane patients, and in what cases are they most likely to occur?

NEXT EXAMINATION FOR NURSING CERTIFICATE.

The next examination will be held on Monday, May 5th, 1902, and candidates are earnestly requested to send in their schedules, duly filled up, to the Registrar

of the Association not later than Monday, April 7th, 1902, as that will be the last day upon which, under the rules, applications for examination can be received.

Note.—As the names of some of the persons to whom the Nursing Certificate has been granted have been removed from the register, employers are requested to refer to the Registrar in order to ascertain if a particular name is still on the roll of the Association. In all inquiries the number of the certificate should be given.

EXAMINATION FOR THE PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE.

The next examination for the Certificate in Psychological Medicine will be held in July, 1902.

The examination for the Gaskell Prize will take place at Bethlem Hospital, London, in the same month, and the examiners are authorised to award a second prize in this competition should one of the candidates attain such a standard as would justify them in doing so. Due notice of the exact dates will appear in the medical papers.

For further particulars respecting the various examinations of the Association apply to the Registrar, Dr. Spence, Burntwood Asylum, near Lichfield.

PRIZE DISSERTATION.

Although the subjects for the essay in competition for the Bronze Medal and Prize of the Association are not limited to the following, in accordance with custom the President suggests—

1. On the advantage of providing hospitals in asylums for acute mental cases.
2. Causation of colitis in asylums, and how it can be prevented.
3. State care of the insane.

The Manuscript Prize Dissertation and every accompanying drawing and preparation will become the property of the Association, to be published in the *JOURNAL* at the discretion of the editors. The dissertation, for the Association Medal and Prize of Ten Guineas, must be delivered to the Registrar, Dr. Spence, Burntwood Asylum, near Lichfield, before May 30th, 1902, from whom all particulars may be obtained.

By the rules of the Association the Medal and Prize are awarded to the author (if the dissertation be of sufficient merit) being an assistant medical officer of any lunatic asylum (public or private) or of any lunatic hospital in the United Kingdom. The author need not necessarily be a member of the Medico-Psychological Association.

THE CRAIG COLONY PRIZE FOR ORIGINAL RESEARCH IN EPILEPSY.

Dr. Frederick Peterson, of New York City, offers a prize of \$200.00 for the best original unpublished contribution to the pathology and treatment of epilepsy. Originality is the main condition. All manuscript should be submitted in English. The prize is open to universal competition. Each essay must be accompanied by a sealed envelope, containing the name and address of the author and bearing upon the outside a motto or device, which is to be inscribed also upon the essay. All papers received will be submitted to a committee, consisting of three members of the New York Neurological Society, and the award will be made upon its recommendation at the annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Craig Colony, October 14th, 1902.

Manuscripts should be sent to Dr. Frederick Peterson, 4, West Fiftieth Street, New York City, on or before September 30th, 1902. The successful essay becomes the property of the Craig Colony, and will be published in its medical reports.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

General Meeting.—The next General Meeting will be held, through the kindness and courtesy of Dr. Mould, at the Royal Hospital, Cheadle, on February 14th, 1901.