

He received the O.B.E. for services to General Allenby's men in 1918, and in November, 1933, on the completion of twenty-five years' service, he was awarded by the President of the Lebanon Republic the highest decoration that is given to foreigners, namely, the 2nd class of the Médaille d'honneur du Mérite Libanais.

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PSYCHOPATHOLOGY AND PSYCHOTHERAPY SUB-COMMITTEE.

LONDON LOCAL GROUP.

Amongst the aims of the Sub-Committee has been the one to promote exchange of ideas, and the formation of informal groups of workers interested in psychopathology. One such group is the London Discussion Circle, which meets, under the leadership of Dr. M. E. Franklin, at 8.30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of every month, at 3, Bulstrode Street, Welbeck Street, W. 1.

Formed in January, 1928, it has held an uninterrupted course of most successful meetings, the average attendance being eighteen or nineteen. The subjects discussed have been very varied, and a sample selection is given below :

Types of suicidal attempts.
Mental testing in psychosis.
Repetition.
Behaviourism, *Gestalt* and psycho-analysis.
Is psycho-analytic investigation scientific?
Hadfield's psychotherapy.
Asocial children.
The psychopathology of civilized communities.
Constructive psychotherapy.
Feelings of isolation in mental disorder.
Neurotic symptoms in healthy people.
The selection of the method of treatment.
The psycho-biological views of Adolf Meyer.
A type of frigidity in women.
Drawing, modelling and writing of children.
Sex jealousy as an artefact of culture.
Genetic relationships of paranoia and hysteria.
Psychological factors in contraception.

The value of such informal meetings can hardly be over-estimated, and it is not surprising to find how popular these meetings have proved. Anyone interested, within reach of London, and who wishes to join, should communicate directly with Dr. Franklin at Bulstrode Street, or with the Secretary of the Sub-Committee.

As a reminder, it might be added that the Sub-Committee is anxious not only to see other such groups formed in provincial centres, but to assist in any way it can study and research in the psychological aspects of mental disorder, and especially would it welcome any suggestion of joint or concerted action on any likely investigation to which the group method might be applicable.

J. ERNEST NICOLE,

Hon. Secretary.

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Books Added to the Library.

The Library Committee gratefully acknowledge the following gifts to the Library :

Presented by Dr. Worth :

Journal of Mental Science, bound vols. XXVIII-LVIII.

Presented by Dr. Hamblin Smith :

Hall (G. M.). *Prostitution: A Survey and a Challenge*. 1933.

Pailthorpe (G. W.). *What we Put in Prison*. 1932.

Cornaro (Lewis). *Sure Method of Attaining a Long and Healthful Life*, trans. W. Jones, A.B. London, 1771.

Presented by Dr. H. Yellowlees :

Clinical Lectures in Psychological Medicine. 1932.

Presented by A. S. Vining, Esq., per Dr. J. R. Whitwell :

Frazer (J. G.). *The Golden Bough* (12 vols.) 1923-1927.

Presented by Dr. Coupland :

Chambers Journal, vol. lxxviii, containing Article on a visit to Bicêtre by Samuel Gaskell. Edinburgh, 1847.

Presented by Dr. J. R. Whitwell :

Fracastorius (Hieronymus). Opera Omnia. Venet., 1574.

Strong (C. A.). *Why the Mind has a Body*. New York, 1903.

Forsyth (T. M.). *English Philosophy*. London, 1910.

Owgan (H.). *Manual of Ethics*. London, 1870.

Flexner (A.). *Prostitution in Europe*. New York, 1914.

Huxley (T. H.). *Hume, with Helps to the Study of Berkeley*. London, 1908.

Caird (Ed.). *Hegel*. Edinburgh, 1893.

Lotze (H.). *Outline of Psychology and Aesthetics*, trans. Ladd. 1886.

Hobbes (Th.). *Leviathan*. London, 1885.

Whateley (R.). *Logic*. London, N.D.

Johnstone (J.). *The Mechanism of Life*. London, 1921.

Thomson (J. A.). *The Control of Life*. London and New York, 1921.

Brown (W.). *Psychology and Psychotherapy*. London, 1921.

Presented by Dr. A. Walk :

Hodder (Edwin). *The Life and Work of the Seventh Earl of Shaftesbury, K.G.* 1887.

Presented by the Editors :

Minutes of Evidence taken before the Royal Commission on Lunacy and Mental Disorder. 1926.

Report of Select Committee on Lunacy Law, with Minute of Evidence. 1877.

Report of Select Committee on Lunatics, with Minute of Evidence. 1859-60.

Report of Committee on the State of Private Madhouses, 1763, with Addresses to their Majesties, George II (1737) and George III (1774).

The Lunacy Acts, 1828, 1832, 1845, 1853, 1862.

The following Books have been purchased by the Library Committee :

- Manual for Mental Deficiency Nurses*, 1931.
Schizophrenia: An Investigation of the Most Recent Advances. (Publication of American Association for Research in Nervous and Mental Diseases), 1929.
 Baur (E.), Fischer (E.), and Lenz (F.). *Human Heridity*. 1931.
 Bechterev (V. M.). *General Principles of Human Reflexology*. 1933.
 Devine (H.). *Recent Advances in Psychiatry*, 2nd edition. 1933.
 Economo (C. von). *Encephalitis Lethargica, its Sequelæ and Treatment*. 1931.
 Flügel (J. C.). *A Hundred Years of Psychology*. 1933.
 Hogben, (L.). *Genetic Principles in Medicine and Social Science*. 1931.
 Jackson (J. Hughlings). *Selected Writings of J. Hughlings Jackson*, edited by James Taylor, two vols. 1931.
 Klein (Melanie). *Psycho-analysis of Children*. 1932.
 McDougall (W.). *The Energies of Man*. 1932.
 Yellowlees (H.). *Clinical Lectures on Psychological Medicine*. 1932.
 Ross (T. A.). *Introduction to Analytical Psychotherapy*. 1932.

Circulation of Journals.

The following journals are circulated from the Library

- American Journal of Psychiatry*.
The Psychological Review.
Journal of Neurology and Psychopathology.
L'Encéphale.
International Journal of Psycho-Analysis.
Journal of Abnormal Psychology.
Mental Hygiene.
Journal of Nervous and Mental Diseases.
Revue Neurologique.
Archives of Neurology and Psychiatry.
Journal of Comparative Psychology.

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Dissertations for the Association's Bronze Medal and Prize must be delivered to the Registrar by April 30, 1935.

Divisional Prizes for 1935.

Papers certified as eligible for this competition must be forwarded to the Registrar not later than April 30, 1935.

Gaskell Medal and Prize.

The examinations for the Gaskell Medal and Prize and the examination for the Certificate in Psychological Medicine will be held in May, 1935.

Applications for entry to each examination to be made to the Registrar, St. Andrew's Hospital, Northampton.

There is no fee for entrance to the Gaskell Prize Examination.

The entrance fee for the examination for the Certificate in Psychological Medicine is three guineas.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

Quarterly Meeting.—November 20, 1934, at 11, Chandos Street.

South-Eastern Division.—September 27, 1934, at Leybourne Grange Colony, WestMalling, Kent.

South-Western Division.—October 25, 1934, at Knowle Mental Hospital.

Northern and Midland Division.—October 26, 1934, at the City Mental Hospital, Humberstone, Leicester.