

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 Lieut.-Col. Thomson, President of the Association, Drs. Easterbrook, Skeen, Tuach-Mackenzie, Alexander, Ross, Orr, Crichlow, Porter Phillips, and Mills.

The Secretary submitted letters of acknowledgment received from the relatives of Dr. Urquhart and Dr. Hayes Newington, thanking the members of the Division for the kind letters of sympathy.

Drs. L. R. Oswald and J. H. Skeen were unanimously elected Representative Members of Council for the ensuing year, and Dr. R. B. Campbell was elected Divisional Secretary.

Dr. L. R. Oswald was recommended to the Educational Committee of the Council as an Examiner for the Certificate in Psychological Medicine, and Dr. N. T. Kerr was recommended as Examiner for the Final Nursing Examination.

Dr. Isobel Emslie's paper, "Notes on Mental Treatment in Macedonia," was in her absence read by Dr. G. M. Robertson. Her sketch of the primitive methods in use was most interesting, and her efforts to improve the condition and treatment of the insane by means of her appeal to the authorities were most commendable. The members of the Division asked Dr. G. M. Robertson to convey to Dr. Emslie their thanks for her paper, which was so much appreciated. A copy of the paper will appear in the Journal.

The Secretary submitted a letter which he had received from the Secretary of the Parliamentary Committee stating that a Sub-Committee had been appointed to consider reforms in the English Lunacy Laws, in view of the many problems which would result after the War. After some discussion it was unanimously resolved that the members of the Division at present members of the Parliamentary Committee might be formed into a Sub-Committee having power to add to their number to consider the whole question, and make any recommendations they should consider advisable to the Parliamentary Committee of the Association, and also report to the Division.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding concluded the business of the meeting.

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

SPRING MEETING, 1918.

THE SPRING MEETING of the above Division was held by the kind permission of Dr. MacBryan at 17, Belmont, Bath, on Friday, April 26th, 1918, at 2.30 p.m.

The following members were present:—Drs. Mary Martin, MacBryan, Nelis, Rutherford, and Dr. Aveline, who acted as Hon. Div. Secretary in the unavoidable absence of Dr. Bartlett.

Dr. Nelis was voted to the Chair.

Letters of regret for non-attendance from Lieut.-Col. D. G. Thompson (the President), Maj. Eager, Drs. Bartlett, Macdonald, and Starkey were read.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Dr. Bartlett was appointed Hon. Div. Secretary.

Drs. MacBryan and Aveline were elected as representative members of Council.

Drs. Mary Martin and Macdonald were elected as members of the Committee of Management.

The date of the Autumn Meeting was fixed for Friday, October 25th, 1918, and that of the Spring Meeting for Friday, April 25th, 1919.

The place of the Spring Meeting was left in the hands of the Secretary for arrangement.

A letter from Miss Hayes Newington, thanking the members for their kind expression of sympathy on the death of her father, was read.

A communication was received from the General Secretary announcing an alteration of the date of the next Quarterly Meeting from May 21st to May 28th.

NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION.

THE OCTOBER MEETING of the Division will be held at the Maghull Red Cross Hospital, near Liverpool.