

or for a research of recognised interest. This function, which has been fulfilled so usefully by the Société pour l'Avancement des Sciences in relation to the physical sciences, must also be discharged by the new Institute in relation to mental science.

4. To encourage study and research with regard to such phenomena as may be considered of sufficient importance.

5. To organise lectures and courses of instruction upon the different branches of psychical science.

6. To organise, as far as means will allow, permanent laboratories, and a clinic where such researches as may be considered desirable will be pursued by certain of the members.

7. To publish the *Annales de l'Institut Psychique International de Paris*, which will comprise a summary of the work in which members of the Institute have taken part, and which may be of a character to contribute to the progress of the science.

This sketch of the aims of the organisation is but an outline, and will be subject to modification.

This programme was discussed at the Third Meeting of the Paris Congress of Psychology last August.

An account of the discussion is given in the *Journal of the International Psychical Institute*, which may be obtained at the offices of the Society, 28, Rue Serpente, Paris. The advisability of altering the title of the Institute from Psychical to Psychological was considered.

It is felt that the organisation has unavoidably been too purely French, and it is desired that psychologists of other countries should contribute their views with regard to the aims to be pursued in such an institute, and the methods to be followed.

The Committee will be glad to receive contributions on that question.

The first work undertaken by the Institute is the organisation of a course of lectures, in which various aspects of Psychology will be dealt with by Professor Duclaux, of the Pasteur Institute; Professeur Richet, Professor van Gehuchten, Doctor Vogt, Professor Boirac, Professor Tarde, Professor P. Geddes and others.

It has been proposed to organise an English branch, and Dr. Edridge-Green has consented to act as Secretary.

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#### OBITUARY.

##### PROFESSOR LANGE.

We regret to record the death of Professor Lange, of Copenhagen, on the 29th May last. Professor Lange's last work was reviewed at considerable length in this JOURNAL by Dr. Friis in the number for last January.

##### PROFESSOR KORSAKOFF.

By the death of Professor Korsakoff, at the early age of 46, our speciality has been deprived of one of its best and ablest members. He occupied the Chair of Clinical Psychiatry in the University of Moscow, and was the author of many contributions to the scientific literature of insanity. An appreciation of Dr. Korsakoff appeared in the JOURNAL for January, 1898, at the time of the Congress in Moscow, and his latest work on the pathological anatomy of idiocy was presented to the Congress in Paris in August last. We record his untimely death with great regret.

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#### NOTICES BY THE REGISTRAR.

##### *Examination for the Nursing Certificate.*

Fifty-seven candidates applied for admission to the November Examination for this certificate. Of this number 45 were successful, 11 failed to satisfy the examiners, and 1 withdrew. The following is a list of the successful candidates: