

that Sir John Bucknill and Sir James Crichton-Browne had been associated with the hospital in its early history.

Dr. J. L. JACKSON proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Dr. R. Eager and the Committee of Visitors for their kind hospitality, and Dr. EAGER replied.

NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN MEETING of the Division was held, by the courtesy of Dr. E. L. Hopkins, at the County Mental Hospital, Mickleover, Derby, on Friday, October 27, 1933.

During the forenoon members visited the Reception Hospital and the Nurses' Home, both of modern construction and admirable design.

Members were kindly entertained to lunch, after which Dr. SHAW proposed and Dr. TURNER seconded a vote of thanks for hospitality. Mr. ALDERMAN HAWKSLEY EDMUNDS, Chairman of the Visiting Committee, responded.

Dr. Shaw took the chair at 2 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting, having been published and circulated, were confirmed and signed.

The following thirty-three members were present: Drs. Alexander, Archdale, Baine, Bruce, Brunton, Drury, East, Eaves, Fitzgerald, Forrester, Fox, Henderson, Hopkins, Horton, Macarthy, D. Macmillan, D. M. Macmillan, Mackenzie, Malloy, Menzies, O'Reilly, Pearce, Panton, Parfitt, Potts, Reid, Russell, Shaw, Shilcock, Scott, Freize Stephens, Taylor and Turner.

Four visitors also attended.

Apologies for absence from forty members were communicated.

The following candidate, after ballot, was duly elected an Ordinary Member of the Association:

HUGH THOMSON KIRKLAND, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M., Medical Officer, Erdington House; "Northolme", 192, Reservoir Road, Erdington, Birmingham.

Proposed by Drs. J. J. O'Reilly, C. W. Forsyth and A. M. McCutcheon.

The following letter from the General Secretary was received: "Bye-law 26. Your application on behalf of the Northern and Midland Division for the Council's authority to elect the Divisional Secretary and Representative Members of Council by show of hands instead of by ballot was placed before the Council to-day, and received their sanction."

The following communication from the Council was received: ". . . that in order to save time at the General Quarterly and Annual Meetings, candidates should, whenever possible, be elected at Divisional Meetings."

The Reports of the Divisional Committee and Representative Members of Council were received.

Drs. Edgerley, Dove Cormac and Archdale were elected to serve on the Divisional Committee of Management.

An invitation to hold the Spring Meeting, 1934, at Prestwich Mental Hospital was received from Dr. Blair, and accepted.

Dr. HUGH BARBER delivered an interesting lecture on "**The Life-History of the Renal Dwarf**". Many cases were illustrated by photographs reflected on the screen by means of an epidiascope, and one of Dr. Barber's patients attended the meeting.

Dr. E. J. FITZGERALD read a paper entitled "**Syphilis and the Mental Treatment Act**".

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

Members were afterwards entertained to tea.

SCOTTISH DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN MEETING of the Scottish Division was held at Riccarton Mental Hospital, Paisley, on Friday, December 1, 1933.

The following were present: Prof. D. K. Henderson, Drs. R. B. Campbell, Douglas McRae, Donald Ross, W. Ford Robertson, R. D. Hotchkis, Neil T. Kerr, J. H. Macdonald, C. A. Crichton, Ronald Stewart, W. D. Chambers, W. McAlister, Alex. Dick, D. C. Dewar, T. Ferguson Rodger, William Telfer, William Blyth, D. R. MacCalman, L. M. D. Mill, George M. Bell, Kate Fraser, Sheila Macpherson, C. J. Shaw, W. Boyd, A. D. I. Bruce and Angus MacNiven.

Dr. J. H. MACDONALD presided at the outset of the meeting. He made sympathetic reference to the illness of Dr. W. M. Buchanan, the Divisional Secretary, and moved that the

Acting Secretary should be asked to write expressing the sincere wishes of the members of the Division for his speedy recovery. The resolution was passed unanimously.

Dr. MACDONALD then expressed his thanks to the officials of the Division for the help they had given him during his term of office, and introduced his successor as Chairman of the Division, Dr. C. J. Shaw, who thereafter presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

The ACTING SECRETARY read a letter from Sir Hugh Arthur Rose, in which he thanked the members of the Division for their kindness in presenting him with his LL.D. robes.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Dr. Easterbrook, Dr. Forbes and Dr. Chislett.

Before proceeding further with the business of the meeting, the CHAIRMAN referred to the illness of Dr. James H. C. Orr, and moved that the Division send Dr. Orr, through their Secretary, an expression of their sympathy, and their earnest wishes for his restoration to health. This motion was unanimously adopted.

When the appointment of Divisional Secretary was considered, Dr. CAMPBELL referred to the illness of Dr. Buchanan, and said that the members of the Division recognized that for some time Dr. Buchanan would not be able to carry on the duties of Secretary. He, Dr. Campbell, considered, however, that it was of the greatest importance that he should not resign. He moved that the Acting Secretary should write to Dr. Buchanan expressing to him the deep appreciation of the members of the Division of his past services, and their earnest wish that he should continue as Secretary, as his resignation would be an irreparable loss to the Division. This motion was unanimously agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN informed the Meeting that Dr. MacNiven had agreed to act as Secretary during Dr. Buchanan's illness.

Dr. WILLIAM BLYTH read a paper on "**The Blood Picture in Mental Disorder, with Special Reference to Lymphatic Reaction**". The following took part in the discussion which followed: Prof. D. K. HENDERSON, Dr. SHAW, Dr. FORD-ROBERTSON, Dr. MACDONALD, Dr. DOUGLAS McRAE, Dr. MACCALMAN. Dr. BLYTH briefly replied to the points raised.

Members were kindly entertained to lunch in the hospital, after which Mr. T. Dun MacNair, Chairman of the Committee of Management, welcomed the Division to Riccartonbar.

Thereafter the Chairman thanked the Committee and Dr. Knight and her staff for their kind hospitality, and for the arrangements made in connection with the meeting.

The meeting reassembling, Dr. MARY KNIGHT read a paper on "**Melancholia Treated by Oxygenation**". After a discussion, in which Dr. FORD-ROBERTSON, Dr. MACPHERSON and Dr. GUTHRIE took part, members were given an opportunity of seeing cases undergoing oxygenation treatment.

Members were thereafter kindly entertained to tea by Dr. Knight.

IRISH DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN QUARTERLY MEETING of the Irish Division of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association was held in the Royal College of Physicians, Kildare Street, Dublin, by kind permission of the President and Fellows, on Thursday, November 2, 1933.

The following members were present: Dr. L. Gavin, in the chair, Drs. P. J. Cassin, J. O'Connor Donelan, John FitzGerald, T. A. Greene, G. J. Harrison, G. H. Keene, J. Kearney, D. L. Kelly, B. Lyons, R. R. Leeper, John Mills, J. C. Martin, P. Moran, C. B. Molony, M. J. Nolan, R. H. Taylor and R. Thompson (Hon. Sec.).

Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from the President (Dr. F. Douglas Turner), Drs. B. F. Honan and E. N. M. O'Sullivan.

At the opening of the proceedings, the Chairman (Dr. Gavin) was invested with the new Chairman's Badge by Dr. Nolan (Senior Past President). Dr. GAVIN, in expressing his great appreciation of being the first Chairman to wear the Badge, paid a tribute to the memory of the late Dr. Lord, who was its originator, and under whom he once had the privilege of working.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN then drew the attention of the meeting to the recent death of Dr. J. Patrick, Medical Superintendent, Omagh Mental Hospital. The Secretary was directed to convey the sympathy of the meeting to Mrs. Patrick and family.

Nominations were received for the posts of Divisional Secretary and Representative Members of Council, for election at the Spring Meeting, 1934.

Dr. MORAN then submitted the report of the Sub-Committee which had been considering the contemplated Central Pathological Laboratory. Following upon a long discussion, it was decided that a deputation of the Sub-Committee should seek an interview with the Commission controlling the disposal of sweepstake funds, and the Secretary was authorized to call a special