

special accommodation for private patients under Sec. 255 of the Lunacy Act, 1890; but is it not a fact that, for many years, the County Asylum for Cornwall has had a special detached residence for private patients?

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Dorset County Asylum.

Your obedient servant,

P. W. MACDONALD, M.D.

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*Obituary.*

ISAAC ASHE, M.B., T.C.D.

We regret to have to record the death of Dr. Isaac Ashe, at the Dundrum Criminal Asylum, on the 19th December, 1891.

Though not a medical man, or a member of the Association, yet we feel that the life-long connection which Mr. Haydon had with asylums makes it fitting that his death, on November 9, 1891, at the age of 69, should be noticed. The son of a naval officer, he was an early explorer of Australia, being the first to cross (some 50 years ago) from Melbourne to Gippsland. He spent only a few years in the Colony, and soon after his return to England became Steward to the Devon Asylum, Dr. Bucknill being the superintendent, and there began a life-long friendship between the two. We believe we are right in saying that they were among the first, if not the very first, who were enrolled as volunteers when the movement started. Later, Mr. Haydon was appointed to Bethlem, and was later called to the Bar, though we believe he never had a brief. He was Steward to Bethlem for 36 years, during which time he saw a succession of superintendents—from the first, after the removal of visiting physicians, Dr., afterwards Sir Charles Hood, Drs. Helps, Williams, Savage, and Percy Smith. All who knew him respected and loved him. He had as kindly a nature as it is possible to conceive, and the personal interest he took in the comforts of the patients was fully recognized by those who worked with him. He was loyal to his superintendent, and ever ready to aid him. His fine manly presence, his tactful goodness, were greatly missed when he resigned two years ago to enjoy too shortly his well-earned pension.

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CANDIDATES WHO PASSED THE EXAMINATION FOR THE  
CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN NURSING, NOV., 1891.\*

*Royal Asylum, Morningside, Edinburgh.*

MALES.

John Barrie.  
Donald S. Fraser.  
John Fraser.  
James Grant.  
John Innes.  
Alexander Mackenzie.  
Daniel Burgess.  
John Hogg.  
Charles Tough.  
George Wilson (*Ayr District  
Asylum*).

FEMALES.

Jessie Hodge.  
Christina Leith.  
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Jemima Watt.

\* It will be seen from the Advertisement-sheet that the Handbook for instruction of Attendants may be had direct from the publishers on special terms. The third thousand is