

14. *Order of Business.*—That after the minutes of the preceding meeting have been read, and the ordinary business transacted, reports from Members appointed to prepare the same, and other papers and communications shall be received, and free discussion be invited on all topics connected with the objects of the Association. Each Member to be allowed to introduce one Visitor at the meeting. A report of the proceedings of each meeting to be published in the Asylum Journal.

15. *Finances and Asylum Journal.*—That after the payment of the ordinary expenses of the Association, the surplus funds shall be appropriated in aid of the Asylum Journal, published by authority of the Association; the accounts of the Editor of the said Journal and of the Treasurer of the Association shall be examined by two Auditors, who shall report to each annual meeting. Each ordinary Member of the Association to be entitled to receive the said publication without further payment.

16. *Register of Cases.*—That to insure a correct comparison of the results of treatment in the several institutions, it is strongly recommended to those Members who have the superintendence of public asylums to keep registers of the cases admitted, according to the form agreed on, at a meeting of the Association held at Lancaster in 1842; and to append to their respective annual reports, tabular statements on, as far as possible, a like uniform plan.

N.B. Copies of these registers, which were printed at the charge of the Association, may still be obtained at cost price, on application to the Secretary from Mr. Simpson, Bookseller, York.

17. *Disuse of Obsolete Terms.*—That by Members of the Association such terms as “lunatic” and “lunatic asylum” be as far as possible disused, and that except for official or legal purposes the terms “insane person” and “asylum” or “hospital for the insane” be substituted; and that generally all terms having an opprobrious origin or application in connection with the insane be disused and discouraged.

18.—*Alteration of Rules.*—That any Member wishing to propose any alteration in, or addition to the rules, do give notice of his intention at a previous annual meeting, or give a month's notice to the Secretary, who shall inform each Member of the Association of the same, in the circular by which such meeting is called.

(Signed) JOHN THURNAM, *President.*

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OBITUARY—WILLIAM BATCHELOR DIAMOND, F.S.A., F.R.C.S, a member of the Association of Medical Officers of Asylums, and father to Dr. Diamond, M.S. of the Surrey Asylum, died deeply regretted on the 4th September, at his residence at Henley in Arden, Warwickshire, of which place he was High Bailiff, and Treasurer for the Brewers and Skinners estates.