

VACANT INSPECTORSHIP OF LUNATICS, IRELAND—
APPOINTMENT.

Members of the Association throughout the three kingdoms will hear with pleasure that the Irish Government has seen the reasonableness of the request made by the Irish Division. It is somewhat surprising in these days, when "efficiency" in all departments of public service is so much talked of, that the Government should need reminding that an appointment like the Inspectorship in Lunacy exists for the benefit of lunacy patients and not *vice versa*. We are unable, however, on this occasion to criticise the Government's choice, which has fallen upon Dr. W. R. Dawson, F.R.C.P.I., of Farnham House, Finglas, Dublin, and we offer both our hearty congratulations.

THE HAND-BOOK.

The satisfactory sales of the *Hand-Book* have necessitated a fresh issue of 5,000 bringing up the total printed to 38,000. The Council has authorised the amendment of one or two small matters pointed out. If any member has found any defect that can be remedied under the following conditions, he should send notice of it forthwith to the Chairman of the Hand-Book Committee, The Gables, Ticehurst. It should be clearly understood that no addition of further matter can be made, nor any alteration of plan or idea. All that is permissible is the correction of errors, in such a manner as not to lead to serious alteration of type, and certainly not to alterations in pagination.

THE RETIREMENT OF DR. T. B. HYSLOP FROM BETHLEM
HOSPITAL.

After twenty-three years of service in Bethlem Hospital Dr. Hyslop has retired from his official position, being about to undertake the work of a consultant specialist in London. The staff, prior to his leaving the Hospital, presented Dr. Hyslop with an illuminated address as an expression of their regret at his retirement, of their appreciation of the many benefits they had derived from his administration of the Hospital, and of their personal esteem.

Dr. Hyslop's scientific and literary work, together with his many-sided artistic acquirements, ensure him a prominent position in his new sphere of activity.

SOCIETY OF PSYCHIATRY OF PARIS.

Dr. Clouston, of Edinburgh, and his successor, Dr. George M. Robertson, Lecturer on Mental Diseases in the University of Edinburgh, and Physician Superintendent of the Royal Morningside Asylum, Edinburgh, have been elected Corresponding Members of the Société de Psychiatrie of Paris.

Dr. Henry Rayner, of London, and Dr. Urquhart, of Perth, have also been elected Corresponding Members.

THE LIBRARY OF THE MEDICO-PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION.

The Library is open daily for reading, and for the purpose of borrowing books. Books may also be borrowed by post, provided that at the time of application threepence in stamps is forwarded to defray the cost of postage. Arrangements have been made with Messrs. Lewis to enable the Association to obtain books from the lending library belonging to that firm should any desired book not be in the Association's Library.

Dr. Chambers has kindly offered to subscribe to the *Annales Medico-Psychologiques*, and to forward each number to the Library at the expiration of a fortnight.

The Library Committee is indebted to Dr. H. Hayes Newington for the presentation of the following books:

- Harrison.—*Lunacy Law of the U.S.A. and other Countries* (1884).
- Wakefield Reports* (6 vols.).
- Feuchterben.—*Medical Psychology* (Sydenham Society, 1847-8).
- Long Fox.—*Pathological Anatomy of the Nervous Centres* (1874).
- Campbell Clarke.—*Mental Diseases* (1897).
- W. W. Ireland.—*Mental Affections of Children* (1898).
- M. de Fleury.—*Medicine of the Mind* (1900).
- Spurzheim.—*Observations on Insanity* (1817).
- Van der Kolk.—*On the Spinal Cord, Medulla Oblongata, and Epilepsy* (New Sydenham Society, 1859).
- Van der Kolk.—*Selected Monographs* (New Sydenham Society, 1861).
- A. W. Campbell.—*Localisation of Cerebral Function* (1905).
- Handbook for Attendants*, 4th edition.
- Statistical Committee's First and Further Reports* (Medico-Psychological Association).

Applications for books should be addressed to the Resident Librarian, Medico-Psychological Association, 11, Chandos St., Cavendish Sq., W. Other communications should be addressed to the undersigned at Long Grove Asylum, Epsom.

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