OBITUARY.

JOSEPH PEEKE RICHARDS.

Mr. Joseph Peeke Richards, whose somewhat sudden and unanticipated death was announced in the last number of this Journal, has been for many years a member of the Medico-Psychological Association, and his loss is regretted by many of its members.

Mr. Richards was the son of a medical man, practising in London, and was educated at King's College, of which he became an Associate. Becoming qualified in 1863, he took the post of Resident House Surgeon to the Stockport In-

firmary, where he remained several years.

His next appointment was to the post of Assistant Medical Officer to Devon County Asylum, and he exchanged this for a similar position at the Hanwell County Asylum under Dr. Murray Lindsay. This office he held for several years, and ultimately succeeded Dr. Lindsay as Medical Superintendent of the female department. This post he held for upwards of twenty years, and finally retired on a liberal superannuation allowance, a recognition by the asylum authorities of the able and successful discharge of his duties through so long a period.

Mr. Richards was distinguished by his conscientious devotion to duty, his

methodical habits, and his great personal sympathy with his patients. He was a very successful asylum administrator, and having a thorough knowledge of his profession was equally successful in his treatment of mental disease. His geniality and genuine kindness won him the affection of his patients and the esteem of his

colleagues, as well as a large circle of friends.

Mr. Richards, since his retirement from office, has had at times somewhat indifferent health, but his death, at the comparatively early age of sixty-three, must have come as a painful surprise to all who knew him intimately. His loss is mourned by a widow, son, and two daughters.

NOTICES BY THE REGISTRAR.

Examination for the Nursing Certificate.

Seven hundred and twenty candidates applied for admission to the May examination for this certificate. Of this number 517 passed, 179 failed to satisfy the examiners, 21 retired or withdrew, 2 were disqualified, and 1 result from South Africa has not been received. Appended is a list of the successful candidates:

ENGLAND.

Cumberland and Westmorland .- Male: James D. Williamson. Female: Anna Fraser.

Derby.-Female: Ada Kilmartin.

Devon County.-Males: John Bailey Connett, Charles H. W. Bridglands.

Female: May Shelley.

Durham County.—Males: Lewis Strachan, Harry Lintott, Charles Mason,
Thomas Foster, William Macklin, William McIntosh. Female: Agnes Ellen

Essex County.-Males: George Henry Barker, Edward George Wadsworth. Females: Agnes Mary Campbell, Clara Wilson.

Kent County, Barming Heath.—Female: Minnie S. Naughton.

Kent County, Chartham.-Male: Harold Parkinson Smith. Female: Louisa

Lancaster.—Males: Robert Tyldesley, Robert Fairclough, Alex. Harper, Edward Wendell, Walter E. Kewley, David Mercer. Females: Hannah Fogg, Kate Moncrieff, Rose Phillips, Margaret Dempsey, Edith Manning, Margaret Bowker, Ellen Sanderson, Ellen Allen.