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Perhaps I may be allowed this opportunity to thank all who have assisted me in this inquiry.

COPY OF CIRCULAR LETTER.

Will you kindly give me your assistance in an attempt to find out the amount

of insanity that exists amongst the Jewish population of this country?

As no figures appear to exist, the only available means is to obtain a return of the number of Jewish patients, received into each asylum for the insane, throughout the Kingdom.

I trust you will help me in this matter by returning the annexed form after filling in the figures asked.

(1) The number of patients in the — Asylum on June 30th, 1900.

Total Insane. Pauper. Private.

Jewish Insane. Pauper. Private.

Males **Females** 

(2) As there are only comparative figures obtainable at present for the year 1898, both as regards the estimated Jewish population of England, and the amount of insanity in the country, I should be glad, if it is possible, to have the number of Hebrews present in the Asylum on December 31st, 1898.

Pauper.

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COLNEY HATCH ASYLUM, September 4th, 1900.

## OBITUARY.

## WILLIAM HENRY LOWE, F.R.S.

Dr. W. H. Lowe, F.R.S., died at Wimbledon on the 26th August, in his 86th year. He was educated at the University of Edinburgh, at which he graduated in 1840. In that year he was admitted to the membership of the Royal College of Physicians, Edinburgh, having previously taken the membership of the Royal College of Surgeons of England. Dr. Lowe held several professional appointments in Edinburgh, among others those of President of the Royal Medical Society, and President of the Royal Botanic Society. He was elected a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh in 1846, and President in 1873. At the meeting of the British Medical Association in Edinburgh in 1847, he gave the opening address of the British Medical Association in Edinburgh in 1875, he gave the opening address in the section of Psychology, over which he presided. Dr. Lowe was for many years associated with the late Dr. John Smith in the management of Saughton Hall Private Asylum, near Edinburgh, residing at Balgreen, the garden and grounds of which show permanent evidences of his skill and taste as a botanist. He was also a keen entomologist and amassed a large and interesting collection of the Lepidoptera of the district. In 1875 he settled at Wimbledon Park. He was the author of 'Jaundice from Non-elimination, together with remarks on the Pathological Condition and Chemical Nature of the Bile.' Dr. Lowe was twice married, and is survived by a widow and family.

## LANDON CARTER GRAY, M.D.

Dr. Landon Carter Gray, who died in the May of this year, was born at New York in 1850. Soon after he graduated he devoted special attention to neurology and psychiatry, and at a comparatively early age he attained a leading position in his profession. He was elected President of the American Neurological Association, of the New York Neurological Society, and of several other learned societies. For a number of years he was Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons. He was the author of a treatise on mental and nervous diseases and of many valuable contributions to medical literature. Dr. Gray took a deep interest in the study of medica. jurisprudence and, as a medico-legal expert, he is said to have been described by a distinguished judge as the very model of what a medical witness ought to be.