

Alfred Thomas Oliver White, Assistant Medical Officer (Acting Superintendent), Metropolitan Asylum, Darenth, proposed by Dr. E. W. White, Dr. F. Beach, and Dr. A. E. Patterson; and Mr. Gilbert Harry Lansdown, Acting Assistant Medical Officer, Metropolitan Asylum, Darenth, proposed by Dr. W. L. Andriezen, Dr. A. E. Patterson, and Dr. E. W. White, were elected ordinary members of the Association.

The CHAIRMAN stated that the Divisional Committee had accepted the invitation to hold the next meeting at the Middlesex County Asylum, Wandsworth, in April, 1898.

Dr. FLETCHER BEACH then read a paper on "Insanity in Children." At the express desire of Dr. Beach, this paper and the discussion thereon will not appear until the April number of the Journal. The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to Dr. Beach for his interesting paper.

At 6.30 p.m. the members (about twenty) dined together at the Grand Hotel, Northampton.

#### NORTHERN AND MIDLAND DIVISION.

A meeting of this Division was held at the North Riding Asylum, Clifton, York, on 20 October, 1897, Dr. T. W. McDowall (President of the Association) in the chair. Members present: Drs. McDowall, Kershaw, Hitchcock, Legge, Macleod, Cassidy, Gramshaw, Header, Macphail, Mackenzie, Pierce, Holmes, Baker, Hingston, Percival, David Nicolson, Ray, Johnston, and Crochley Clapham (Hon. Secretary); and a visitor, Dr. Crawford Watson, of Harrogate.

Dr. Hingston kindly entertained the members with luncheon at the asylum.

Committee.—It was proposed by Dr. Holmes and seconded by Dr. Hingston, "That the following members be appointed a Divisional Committee of Management, viz., Dr. McDowall (Morpeth), Dr. Ley (Prestwich), Dr. Campbell (Carlisle), Dr. Mould (Cheadle), Dr. Hitchcock (Bootham), Dr. Percival (Whittingham), Dr. Macphail (Derby), and Dr. Crochley Clapham (Hon. Secretary)"—Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Dr. HOLMES and seconded by Dr. PERCIVAL, "That the next meeting of the Division be held in May, 1898, and, if agreeable to Dr. Mould, at Cheadle."—Carried unanimously.

Proposed by Dr. CLAPHAM and seconded by Dr. McDOWALL, "That May and October be the months chosen for holding the two Divisional Meetings in each year."—Carried unanimously.

Dr. M. B. RAY (Wadsley) read a paper on "Two Cases of Acute Insanity occurring before Puberty," and showed photographs of the patients. This, with the relative discussion, will appear in the April number of the Journal.

Dr. F. P. HEADER read a paper on "Criminal Lunatics in the Wakefield Asylum." (See page 64.)

#### SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

The Autumn Meeting of the South-Western Division of the Medico-Psychological Association was held, by kind invitation of Dr. Fox, at Brislington House, near Bristol, on Tuesday afternoon, October 26. The members present were Drs. Aldridge, Deas, Morton, Soutar, Bower, Wilson, McCutchan, Bullen, Blatchford, Fox, Hanbury, Green, MacBryan, Lindsay, Stewart, Manning, Benham, and Macdonald (Hon. Secretary). On the motion of Dr. STEWART, seconded by Dr. DEAS, Dr. Aldridge was unanimously voted to the chair.

#### ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS.

On a ballot Drs. Blackwood and Elliot, Assistant Medical Officers at the Borough Asylum, Portsmouth, were elected as members of the Association.