

along the iron way of the L.B. and S.C.E. to visit an asylum which gradually acquired a distinct reputation. No doubt he was ably seconded. Mr. Mortlock, whose valuable services are still at the disposal of that asylum, was Clerk and Steward; Mr. Knox—a shrewd Scotchman—was over the male staff; and Miss Buckle, almost from the commencement, had the management—which she continues to undertake—of the nurses. Of the assistant medical staff the writer would make mention of one to whom he was much attached, and who was suddenly cut off at his work in the asylum—Dr. W. Valentine Brown—a tablet to whose memory was placed in the chapel.

It, perhaps, seemed that one principle of Dr. Robertson's management was that of the saying that the "Master's eye is worth more than both his hands." Personally he was not very much in the wards, his visits being occasional and irregular, but the establishment was maintained in good order; and even when absent, the telegraph, it has been said, conveyed his instructions. Year after year the Commissioners in their Report expressed their high approbation of the results of the doctor's administration. He was a man of considerable ability. He graduated at a later age than is usual at Caius Coll., Camb., at the time, if rightly remembered, when Mr. Mackenzie, 2nd Wrangler, was tutor. His knowledge of foreign languages was no doubt useful to him, both as Editor of the *Journal* and in his communication with foreign alienists and others. His remarks were somewhat caustic at times, and inclined to be aggressive; and if it is not presumptuous to hazard an opinion in his speciality, he was progressive in ideas and treatment.

The writer may be permitted to add a few words in reference to Dr. Robertson's early association with the "Association for the After-Care of Poor Persons discharged Recovered from Asylums for the Insane." On the occasion of a drive to Southgate in the spring of 1879 the subject was discussed. It met with his approval. Subsequently a letter was received by him in which he wrote:—"Dr. Bucknill will gladly aid your scheme, and places his drawing-room, 39, Wimpole Street, at your disposal for, say, 4th or 5th June." On the latter day a meeting was held. There were present Dr. and Mrs. Bucknill, Miss Cons, Dr. D. Hack Tuke, Dr. Lockhart Robertson, Mr. W. G. Marshall (then one of the Superintendents of the Colney Hatch Asylum), Dr. Harrington Tuke, etc. A paper, printed in the October number of the *Journal of Mental Science*, was read by Rev. H. Hawkins. It was moved by Dr. Lockhart Robertson, and seconded by Dr. Hack Tuke, "That this meeting do form itself into an Association." The names of Dr. S. Duckworth Williams and of Dr. Savage were, at Dr. Robertson's request, added. It was moved by Dr. Robertson, and seconded by Mr. W. G. Marshall, "That Dr. Bucknill be invited to take the office of President." In the autumn of the same year Dr. Robertson attended another meeting at the same trust; and he was again present and spoke, at a gathering in 1881 in the house of Dr. Andrew Clark, when the Earl of Shaftesbury (President) was in the chair, and among others, Lady Frederick Cavendish and Mrs. Gladstone were present. Dr. Robertson's official duties prevented him from attending the meetings of the Association in after years, but he recently became one of its Vice-Presidents, which office he held at the time of his death. The Association is much indebted to him for his valuable aid at the outset of its career, as it is also to the late Dr. Hack Tuke for his strenuous and influential support. Dr. Savage, also, has been its friend from the commencement; and the kind offices of Dr. Rayner, the present Chairman, call for respectful acknowledgment. HENRY HAWKINS.

THE HACK TUKE MEMORIAL.

At a meeting the Executive Committee of this fund it was finally decided to hand over this fund to the Medico-Psychological Association, to be held in trust; the interest to be applied to the purposes of the Library of the Association, which it may be hoped will be known as the Hack Tuke Library. By a liberal donation from Mrs. Tuke, the fund will amount to three hundred and fifty pounds.