

The Hon. Sec. then read a few notes on "The Classification of Mental Disorders, with Special Reference to Table B 5." The subject was discussed by Drs. Soutar and Stewart and the chairman, and the proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to Dr. Bullen.

IRISH DIVISION.

The Autumn Meeting of the Division was held on Thursday, November 23rd, 1905, at the Royal College of Physicians, Dublin, by the kind permission of the President and Fellows of the College.

Dr. T. Drapes occupied the chair, and there were also present Drs. Oakshott, Eustace, Leeper, Rainsford, Cullinan, Redington, and Conolly Norman, who acted as Secretary in the unavoidable absence of Dr. Dawson, owing to domestic bereavement. The members having kindly expressed their sympathy with the Secretary, a letter was received from the President of the Association regretting his inability to attend.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read, confirmed, and signed.

The following candidate was balloted for, and declared to be unanimously elected an ordinary member of the Association:—Capt. Charles John Robertson-Milne, M.D., M.Ch.Aberd., Medical Superintendent, Punjab Asylum, Lahore. Proposed by Drs. C. Norman, J. M. Redington, and W. R. Dawson.

It was decided that the Spring Meeting of the Division, to be held on April 24th, 1906, should take place at some asylum near Dublin, to be fixed by the Secretary in communication with the Superintendent.

The following resolution was proposed by Dr. Norman, seconded by Dr. Leeper, and unanimously adopted:

"That it is desirable that the following changes be made in Bye-law 68:—

After the words 'In the event of a vacancy,' the words 'in the' be deleted and the following words be inserted—'among the nominated non-official members of'; also at the end of the Bye-law, as it stands, after the word 're-elected,' the following words be inserted—'In the event of a vacancy similarly occurring among the officers (official members of Council), the Council may co-opt an officer to fill the vacancy thus occurring, but such officer shall only hold office until the next general meeting, at which the name of the officer whom the Council may nominate shall have been submitted to the meeting in accordance with the provisions of Bye-law 67, which shall be followed in respect of such election, though it be not held at an annual meeting.'

It was directed that the Secretary should forward the resolution so that it might be considered at the earliest general meeting at which it could legally be received.

It was resolved that an early meeting should be held of the Committee appointed at the summer meeting of the Division to deal with the question of State Provision for Imbeciles.

Dr. Drapes then read a paper, entitled "Note on Psychiatric Terminology and Classification," which was discussed at some length by the acting Secretary, and by Drs. Leeper, Rainsford, and Eustace. Dr. Drapes replied.

The acting Secretary then read for Dr. W. R. Dawson a paper by the latter on "Three Cases of Dementia Praecox." The paper was freely criticised by the members present, one of whom intimated that, though he did not believe in Krapelin's dementia praecox, he was incubating a dementia praecox of his own.

The proceedings terminated with a vote of thanks to the College of Physicians for allowing the Division the use of their hall for the meeting.

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