

House—patients and staff—has been carefully attended to. You have noticed many instances of much patience shown under provocation, of kindly words and actions, of trouble cheerfully taken, of money freely spent for the benefit and comfort of all around; so, when you have opportunity, say a good word for the institution. Kindly mention, may help to correct mistaken opinions held by many persons about asylum ways. Prejudice may be removed, or lessened. The unwillingness of friends to send patients, needing such treatment, to an asylum, may be diminished in some case, through your recommendation, which will have weight, coming from one who speaks from personal experience.

“3. Should you know of any young person in search of employment, who would be likely to become a good attendant, you might confer a benefit both upon herself and others by putting her in the way of applying for service, with particulars about age, health, previous occupation, &c. Moreover, you might give her some friendly advice which would be useful if she became a nurse.

“And now, accept good wishes on leaving for your future life, Whether you are going to be married, or to take service elsewhere, or to return awhile to your old home, may God’s blessing be with you in the years to come, and hereafter.”

CORRESPONDENCE.

FROM DR. LOCKHART ROBERTSON.

In looking through the report of the Annual Meeting in the Journal, I note the report of the Hack Tuke Committee. May I, as a subscriber and old friend of Dr. Hack Tuke’s, venture to say that I have a strong impression that we are already overdone with Prize Essays, which are usually rubbish; and may I also suggest that we follow the example of the College of Physicians in the Moxon Medal, which is given by the College at fixed intervals as a gold medal on the recommendation of the Council to the most distinguished psychologist, English or foreign, by or for good work done by juniors. Dr. Tuke’s head would look well on a gold medal. We might, perhaps, be able to give it every fifth year in gold, or in silver yearly, which I think would be better. The Moxon fund is £435, and yields at 2½ per cent. 10 guineas. We should only have five guineas yearly, which would give a gold medal probably every third year, a silver one every year.

RESIGNATION.

Dr. Carlos F. Macdonald.

Many of our members, who know Dr. Carlos F. Macdonald, as President of the New York State Lunacy Commission, will congratulate him on the honourable recognition of his services which has been manifested on his retirement, and wish him equal honour and success in any new field of activity that he may enter on. Dr. Wise, of Ogdensburg, has been appointed as his successor.

OBITUARY.

SIR BENJAMIN WARD RICHARDSON.

Sir Benjamin Richardson was elected an Honorary Member of the Medico-Psychological Association more than a quarter of a century ago, and repeatedly enriched the pages of this Journal with contributions from his active and powerful pen. In the wide range of his interests and investigations he could not fail to include such subjects as lie nearest to our special work. In 1869 he read a paper at the York Meeting on “Physical Disease from Nervous Strain,” and so lately as