

was "entirely destroyed," but the power of articulation had returned in three or four weeks after the apoplectic attack. That case is opposed to Dr. Tuke's hypothesis. It also disposes me to think that the co-ordinating centres for articulation may be at a lower point of the brain; perhaps, as was formerly believed, in the medulla oblongata. And this view is strengthened by Dr. Broadbent's careful dissections, in which he found that very many fibres of the crus cerebri did not terminate in the corpus striatum or other central ganglion, but *passed by* them in their ascent to the convolutions.

I have, however, always thought that the lesion in aphasia was of efferent fibres *above* the co-ordinating centres; for in almost all, if not all recorded cases, the patients could pronounce one or more words distinctly. Had the defect been *in* these centres there would probably have been stuttering in the articulation of *every* word.

I am, &c.,

ALEX. ROBERTSON.

Appointments.

COURTENAY, E. MAGUIRE, A.B., M.B., T.C.D., late Clinical Assistant, West Riding Asylum, to be Assistant Medical Officer, Derby County Asylum.

BISHOP, S., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Fisherton House Lunatic Asylum, Salisbury, *vice* Barnard W. Wellings, L.R.C.P. Ed., L.F.P. & S. Glas., resigned.

LOW, D., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Perth District Lunatic Asylum, *vice* Brodie Cruickshank, M.B., C.M., resigned.

MICKLE, W. J., M.D., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Grove Hall Asylum, Bow.

M'LEAN, W. F., M.B., C.M., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Haydock Lodge Lunatic Asylum, Newton-le-Willows, *vice* D. Gentle, M.D., L.R.C.S. Ed., appointed to the Colney-hatch Lunatic Asylum.

RAYNER, H., M.D., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Male Department of the Middlesex Lunatic Asylum, Hanwell, *vice* W. C. Begley M.D., M.R.C.P.L., resigned.

RICHARDS, JOSEPH P., M.R.C.S., L.S.A., Assistant Medical Officer, Female Department, Hanwell, has been appointed Superintendent.

SUTHERLAND, H., M.B., M.R.C.P.L., has been appointed Lecturer on Insanity at the Westminster Hospital Medical School.

From the London Gazette, Friday, April 12.

WHITEHALL, APRIL 11.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed CHARLES PALMER PHILLIPS, Esq., Barrister-at-law, late Secretary to the Commission, to be a Commissioner in Lunacy, on the resignation of John Forster, Esq.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed JOHN FORSTER, Esq., to be an Honorary and Unpaid Commissioner in Lunacy, on the resignation of Colonel Morgan Clifford.

NOTICES OF BOOKS RECEIVED, with other matters, are unavoidably omitted in this number, on account of pressure on our space.

NOTICE.

The next ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Medico-Psychological Association will be held at Edinburgh on WEDNESDAY, the 31st July, under the presidency of Sir James Cox, M.D. Notices of papers, &c., to be sent to the Honorary Secretary, 37, Albermarle Street.