Appointments.

BEACH, FLETCHER, M.B., Physician's Assistant at Bethlem Hospital, has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Clapton Asylum for Idiots.

BROWN, W. J., M.B., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer at the Borough Lunatic Asylum, Newcastle-on-Tyne, *vice* Levinge resigned.

CARRE, GEO. E., M.B., B.A., L.R.C.S.I., has been appointed the Resident Medical Superintendent of the Castlebar District Hospital for the Insane, having been previously the Visiting Physician of the Letterkenny District Establishment.

CONNOLLY, P.R., M.D., M.A., has been appointed Resident Medical Superintendent of the Waterford District Hospital for the Insane, in which he had held the office, since 1856, of Visiting Physician.

ELLIS, J. L., L.K.Q.C.P.I., L.M., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the North Wales Counties Lunatic Asylum, Denbigh, *vice* Powell, resigned.

FLETCHER, ROBERT V., L.R.C.P. Ed., has been appointed the Medical Superintendent of the Ballinasloe District Hospital for the Insane, having been transferred to it from the Waterford District Institution, on the death of the late Richard Eaton, M.D.

FOOT, R. H., M.D. Trin. Coll. Dub., L.R.C.S.I., has been appointed Assistant Medical Superintendent of the Fife and Kinross Lunatic District Asylum, Cupar, vice Mackenzie resigned.

HIGGINS, W. H., M.B., C.M., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Derby County Lunatic Asylum.

INGLIS, THOS., L.R.C.S., has been appointed Assistant Physician to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum.

LEVINGE, E. G., A.B., M.B., L.R.C.S.I., has been appointed Junior Assistant Medical Officer of the Hants County Lunatic Asylum, Knowle, Fareham.

PITTS, Mr. B., has been appointed Physician's Assistant at the Bethlem Royal Hospital for Lunatics, vice Beach, appointed Medical Superintendent of the Clapton Asylum for Idiots.

POWELL, E., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Second Assistant Medical Officer at the Essex Lunatic Asylum, Brentwood, *vice* Shone, resigned.

SECCOMBE, G. S., L.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Metropolitan District Asylum for Lunatics, Caterham, *vice* Younger, appointed Apothecary to the Middlesex Lunatic Asylum, Hanwell.

YOUNGER, E. G., L.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Apothecary to the Middlesex Lunatic Asylum, Hanwell, *vice* Williams, appointed Medical Superintendent of the North Wales Counties Lunatic Asylum, Denbigh.

A GOOD APPETITE.

An unfortunate lunatic, who died in the Prestwich Asylum on the 18th ult., seems to have lived not wisely but too well. A post-mortem examination led to the discovery of no fewer than 1,841 articles in his inside—namely, 1,639 shoemaker's sparables, 6 4-inch cut nails, 19 3-inch cut nails, 8 2½-inch cut nails, 18 2-inch cut nails, 40 ½-inch cut nails, 7 ⅜ inch cut nails, 39 tacks, 5 brass nails, 9 brass brace buttons, 20 pieces of buckles, 1 pin, 14 bits of glass, 10 small pebbles, 3 pieces of string, 1 piece of leather three inches long, one piece of lead four inches long, and one American pegging awl—the total 11lbs. 10ozs. It seems strange that any man's state of mind should be such that he could take as much pleasure in eating the contents of a rag-and-bottle shop as of a butcher's or pastrycook's establishment; but the story shews that if, as often alleged, the equilibrium of the mind is to a great extent dependent on the digestion, so the converse is true, that the

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