LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) BILL.

4 & 5 George V.—Session 1914.

Part VII.—Provisions as to Lunacy and other Acts.

44—As from the first day of April One thousand nine hundred and fifteen or such earlier date as the Council may fix (in this Part of this Act referred to as "the appointed day") all property invested in any Committee of the Council acting as or exercising the powers of a Visiting Committee under and for the purposes of the Lunacy Acts and all the powers rights privileges duties obligations and liabilities of such Committee shall be transferred to and vested in the Council and all the officers and servants of such Committee shall without prejudice to the rights of such officers and servants be transferred to and become officers and servants of the Council and the Council shall hold such property and may exercise all such powers rights and privileges and shall be subject to all such duties obligations and liabilities so far as applicable in like manner as if they were a Visiting Committee under the Lunacy Acts.

45—As from the appointed day all matters relating to the exercise by the Council of the powers transferred to them by virtue of this Part of this Act shall stand referred to the Committee for the Care of the Mentally Defective constituted by the Council under the Mental Deficiency Act 1913 and the Council before exercising any such powers shall unless in their opinion the matter is urgent receive and consider the report of the said Committee with respect to the matter in question. The Council may also delegate to the said Committee with or without any restrictions as they think fit any of the powers transferred as aforesaid and the said Committee may appoint such Sub-Committees and may delegate thereto such of the powers delegated to the said Committee under the provisions of this Part of this Act as the said Committee with the approval of the Council may think fit.

46—As from the appointed day the obligation under the Lunacy Act 1890 to appoint a Visiting Committee shall cease to apply with respect to the Council and references in the Lunacy Acts or any other Act to the members of the Visiting Committee shall be construed as references to the members of the Committee constituted by the Council under the Mental Deficiency Act 1913 as aforesaid and any proceedings which may under the Lunacy Acts be taken by the Clerk of the Visiting Committee may be taken by the Council.

47—On the application of the Council the Secretary of State may by order provide for such further repeal modification and adaptation of any of the provisions of the Lunacy Acts or any other Act as may appear to him to be necessary to give effect to the provisions of this Part of this Act.

48—(1) Every officer and servant transferred under this Part of this Act (in this Section referred to as an "existing officer") who held office at the appointed day and who by virtue of this Part of this Act becomes an officer or servant of the Council shall hold his office by the same tenure and upon the same terms and conditions as before the appointed day and if performing the same duties shall receive not less salary or remuneration and be entitled to not less pension or superannuation allowance or gratuity (if any) than he would have received or been entitled to if this Act had not been passed but if any existing officer is required to perform duties which are not analogous to or which are an unreasonable addition to those which he is required to perform at the appointed day he may relinquish his office and any existing officer who so relinquishes his office or whose office is abolished shall be entitled to compensation under this Part of this Act.

(2) Every existing officer who by virtue of this Section is entitled to compensation and every other existing officer who by virtue of this Part of this Act or of anything done in pursuance or consequence thereof shall suffer any pecuniary loss by abolition of office or diminution of salary or otherwise shall be entitled to have compensation paid to him by the Council and such compensation shall be determined pursuant to the provisions of Section 120 of the Local Government Act 1888 providing that in construing the said Section 120 for the purposes of this Section the Secretary of State shall be deemed to be substituted for the Treasury.

49—As from the appointed day all moneys required to be raised by the Council

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by means of the county rate for the purposes of the Lunacy Acts or any other Act relating to the care or maintenance of lunatics or persons of unsound mind shall notwithstanding anything contained in any Act to the contrary be raised as moneys required for general county purposes within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1888.

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NOTICES BY THE REGISTRAR.

Certificate in Psychological Medicine.—The next examination for this Certificate will be held during the first week in July, 1914.

Nursing Certificate.—The next examinations will be held as follows:

Preliminary . . . . . May 4th, 1914.
Final . . . . . May 11th, 1914.

Lists of the successful candidates at the November, 1913, examinations will be ublished in the April number.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

Quarterly Meetings.—Thursday, February 19th, 1914, at Storthes Hall; Tuesday, May 19th, 1914.

Annual Meeting.—Tuesday, July 14th, 1914.

APPOINTMENTS.

Blandford, J. J., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Medical Superintendent of Whalley Asylum, Lancashire.

Brown, R. Dods, M.D., Ch.B.Edin., F.R.C.P.Edin., Physician-Superintendent at James Murray's Royal Asylum, Perth.

Cole, Sydney J., M.A., M.D.Oxon., Medical Superintendent of the Wilts County Asylum, Devizes.

Gordon, J. L., M.D., Ch.B.Aberd., Acting Medical Snperintendent at the Fountain Temporary Asylum.

Patrick, John, M.B., B.Ch., R.U.I., Resident Medical Superintendent of Tyrone and Fermanagh Asylum.

Rotherham, Arthur, M.B., B.C.Cantab., Commissioner under the Mental Deficiency Act, 1913.

Sherlock, E. B., M.D., B.Sc.Lond., D.P.H., Medical Superintendent of Darenth Industrial Colony.

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