Samuel Edgar Martin, M.B., B.Ch.Edin., Barrister-at-Law, Senior Assistant Medical Officer, St. Andrew's Hospital, Northampton. (Proposed by Drs. B. Rambaut, N. R. Phillips, and J. Noel Sergeant.)

Ernest Haines Walker, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Assistant Medical Officer, East Sussex County Asylum, Hellingly. (Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. Greene Nolan, and W. Rees Thomas.)

Gwilym Ambrose Williams, L.R.C.P.Lond., M.R.C.S.Eng., Pathologist and Assistant Medical Officer, East Sussex County Asylum, Hellingly. (Proposed by Drs. F. R. P. Taylor, J. N. Greene Nolan, and W. Rees Thomas.)

The invitation of Dr. Sergeant to hold the next Spring Meeting at Newlands House on April 29th, 1915, was accepted with much pleasure.

Dr. H. J. NORMAN then read his paper on "Friedrich Nietzsche" (see p. 64).

Dr. THOMSON voiced the appreciation of the Meeting for this interesting communication. Sir GEORGE SAVAGE and others also spoke.

At the conclusion of the Meeting the members were entertained to tea.

The members dined together in the evening at the Café Monico.

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

THE AUTUMN MEETING of this Division was held at the University, Bristol, on Thursday, October 22nd, 1914. Dr. Aveline presided.

Members present: Drs. Adams, Bullen, Brown, Cole, Lavers, McBryan, Nelis, Perdrau, Read, Thomas, Wigan, White, and the Hon. Divisional Secretary (Dr. Blachford). Dr. Macphail was present as a visitor.

Letters of regret for non-attendance were read from the President (Dr. Thomson) and Dr. MacDonald.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and signed.

The Hon. Divisional Secretary was nominated for re-election.

Drs. Lavers and Pope were nominated for election as Representative Members of the Council.

Charles Williams, L.R.C.P. and S.E., L.S.A.Lond., Assistant Medical Officer, The Warneford, Oxford—proposed by Drs. A. W. Neill, T. S. Good, A. McWilliam—was unanimously elected an Ordinary Member of the Association.

The Spring Meeting was fixed for Thursday, April 22nd, 1915.

An interesting paper on "Freud's Interpretation of Dreams" (see page 17) was contributed by Dr. BULLEN, and Drs. STANFORD, READ, and COLE took part in the discussion which followed, and were replied to by Dr. Bullen.

The members afterwards dined together at the St. Stephen's Restaurant.

SCOTTISH DIVISION.

A MEETING of the Scottish Division of the Medico-Psychological Association was held in the Royal College of Physicians, Queen Street, Edinburgh, on November 13th, 1914.

Present: Sir Thomas Clouston, Drs. Dods Brown, Carswell, Cruickshank, Chislett, Gostwyck, Hotchkis, Carlyle Johnstone, Keay, Kerr, Oswald, Orr, G. M. Robertson, Ford Robertson, Ross, Maxwell Ross, Shaw, Sturrock, and R. B. Campbell, Divisional Secretary.

Dr. Oswald occupied the chair.

The minutes of the last Divisional meeting were read and approved, and the Chairman was authorised to sign them.

Apologies for absence were intimated from Dr. Thomson, President of the Association, Drs. Yellowlees, Turnbull, Easterbrook, McRae, Mackenzie, Carre, and Crichlow.

Before taking up the ordinary business of the meeting, the CHAIRMAN offered the congratulations of the Division to Dr. Keay on his nomination as President-elect of the Association, and Dr. KEAY thanked the Division for their kind congratulations and good wishes.

The CHAIRMAN also referred, in suitable terms, to the recent resignation of Dr. A. R. Turnbull from the Medical Superintendentship of Fife and Kinross

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District Asylum, and he considered that this event could not pass without the Division recognising the long and valuable services which Dr. Turnbull had rendered to the Scottish Division, and also his services in the interests of lunacy, and at the same time expressing the hope that he would be long spared to enjoy his well-earned retirement. It was unanimously resolved that the Secretary be instructed to send an excerpt of the minutes to Dr. Turnbull.

The Business Committee was appointed, consisting of Drs. Carlyle Johnstone, G. M. Robertson, McRae, Kerr, Orr, and the Divisional Secretary.

Drs. Neil T. Kerr and J. H. C. Orr were nominated by the Division for the position of Representative Members of Council; and Dr. R. B. Campbell was nominated for the position of Divisional Secretary.

The following four candidates, after ballot, were admitted to membership of the Association:

(1) Alfred William Harper Cheyne, M.B., Ch.B., Assistant Physician, Royal Asylum, Aberdeen. (Proposed by Drs. Reid, Alexander, and Campbell.)

(2) Thomas Chivers Graves, M.B., B.S., F.R.C.S.Eng., B.Sc., Assistant Physician, Royal Asylum, Edinburgh. (Proposed by Drs. G. M. Robertson, Maxwell Ross, and Henry Yellowlees.)

(3) Hugh Kirkland Shaw, M.B., Ch.B., Assistant Physician, Stirling District Asylum. (Proposed by Drs. Campbell, Keay, and Gostwyck.)

(4) William John Tulloch, M.D., Director Western Asylums Research Institute, 10, Claythorn Road, Glasgow. (Proposed by Drs. Oswald, Parker, and Macdonald.)

Gram-negative Diplococci in Dementia Præcox.

Dr. Ford Robertson read a communication on the "Gram-negative Diplococci in Dementia Præcox." He stated that the question of these diplococci had arisen in the course of a systematic investigation into the infective conditions associated with dementia præcox. He showed the characters of the bacteria of this group obtained from the gums in eighteen cases of dementia præcox, and compared them with those isolated from the mouth or respiratory tract in eighteen control cases. The main conclusion drawn from the investigation was that the Gram-negative diplococci that abounded in the gums in many cases of dementia præcox were simply the *Micrococcus catarrhalis*, and the varieties of the *Micrococcus pseudocatarrhalis* that were to be found with equal frequency in other persons suffering from chronic catarrhal conditions of the respiratory tract. No evidence had been obtained of the occurrence of any special Gram-negative diplococcus, or of tissue invasion by any member of the group.

Interesting papers were contributed by Drs. Gostwyck and Maxwell Ross on "Juvenile General Paralysis" and "The Luetin Test in Parasyphilis" respectively.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding concluded the business of the meeting.

IRISH DIVISION.

The Autumn Meeting of the Division took place on Thursday, November 5th, 1914, at the Royal College of Physicians, Dublin. Dr. T. Drapes was in the chair. The other members present were: Drs. J. O'C. Donelan, Eustace, Gavin, Greene, O'Neill, Rainsford, Redington, Rutherford, and Dr. Leeper (Div. Hon. Secretary).

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by the Chairman.

A letter from Mrs. Hetherington was read, informing the members that Dr. Hetherington was unavoidably prevented from attending the meeting owing to his having been attacked and wounded by a patient in his asylum. A telegram of condolence was sent to Dr. Hetherington by the Chairman on behalf of the meeting.

It was proposed by Dr. Rainsford and seconded by Dr. Greene, and passed unanimously: "That this meeting of the Irish Division of the Medico-Psychological Association begs leave to tender to their fellow-member, Sir John Lentaigne, the expression of their most sincere sympathy with him in the great loss he has

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