are performed every four months, and it is the only treatment which relieves the patient.

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A HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Centenary of "The Retreat" at York

A hundred years have elapsed since the foundation of an Institution for the Insane which has excited admiration in all interested in their welfare, whether at home or abroad. The Medico-Psychological Association held its annual meeting at York this year on July 21st, to mark its appreciation of an event so beneficent in the reform of the treatment of the insane. The medical superintendent of the Retreat, Dr Baker, was appropriately elected President on the occasion. Dr Yellowlees moved a resolution, which was unanimously adopted, expressing the Association's warm appreciation of the work effected by the founder, William Tuke, and his fellow-workers in regard to this remarkable asylum, where chains were unknown at a time when it was supposed they could not be discarded with safety, and where gentleness and consideration were substituted for inhumanity and empiricism. The inestimable benefits conferred by the philanthropic and far-sighted founder well deserve the recognition it has just received in so striking a manner in the place of its birth. A very remarkable feature of the occasion was the number of congratulations which poured in from the psychological associations of America and Europe. The English, Scotch and Irish boards of lunacy paid a high tribute to the movement in the interests of the insane commenced in 1792. A highly interesting circumstance occurred at the meeting at York. The great-grand-nephew of Pinel, Dr René Semelaigne, was present to speak for his nation and his family. It was a happy international recognition of benevolent action common to both countries and was responded to by Dr Hack Tuke's proposing the health of the French physician, which was duly honoured. Belgium was worthily represented by Dr Morel of Ghent, the President of the Medico-Psychological Association in that country.

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