English, contained much original thought, and may be incorporated in a future number of the Journal. At its conclusion a vote of thanks to the lecturer was proposed by Sir Frederick Mott, seconded by Sir James Purves Stewart, and carried with much applause.

The Dinner.

In the evening a dinner in honour of Professor Clarke was given at the Langham Hotel. There was a good attendance of members and their ladies. The croupiers were Dr. J. Chambers, Lt.-Col. J. R. Lord, and Dr. R. Worth. The President presided and briefly proposed Professor Clarke's health. Professor Clarke replied in an entertaining speech and concluded by proposing Sir Frederick Mott's health. This was much appreciated by those present. Music and stories followed, and the National Anthem concluded a most enjoyable function. It is to be hoped that the Quarterly Dinners of the Association are now completely rehabilitated.

SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION.

The Spring Meeting of this Division was held, by the kind invitation of Lt.-Col. E. Goodall, *C.B.E.*, M.D., F.R.C.P., at the Cardiff City Mental Hospital, Whitchurch, Glam., on Thursday, April 19, 1923.

There were twelve members and two visitors present.

Lt.-Col. Goodall was voted to the Chair, and the minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed.

Dr. W. Starkey was elected Hon. Secretary to the Division.

Drs. T. S. Good and J. G. Soutar were elected Representative Members of Council. Drs. J. E. P. Shera and J. G. Smith were elected members of the Committee of Management.

The following candidates were balloted for and duly elected as ordinary members of the Association:

Rodd, Arthur, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Second Assistant Medical Officer, Dorset Mental Hospital, Herrison, Dorchester.
Proposed by Drs. Peachell, Barton-White and Starkey.

Smith, Herbert, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.Lond., Third Assistant Medical Officer, Dorset Mental Hospital, Herrison, Dorchester.
Proposed by Drs. Peachell, Barton-White and Starkey.

The date of the Autumn Meeting was fixed for Thursday, October 25, 1923, and its place was left in the hands of the Hon. Secretary to arrange.

The Secretary reported having circularised the members as to the most convenient day for holding the meetings, and that there was a large majority in favour of either Thursday or Friday.

A short dicsussion took place on the subject of the Second M.P.A. Nursing Examination, and the following resolution was carried: "That in the opinion of this Division the second examination is undesirable and should be dropped."

Dr. J. Walker then read two short papers on (1) "The Significance of Urea in Dementia Præcox," and (2) "The Reaction of the Urine in 120 Cases of Mental Disorder," (*see* p. 322 and p. 327).

A hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman for his hospitality and the provision of a most interesting programme, and also to Dr. Walker for his valuable contributions, concluded the Meeting.

During the morning the members were conducted round the Institution and its Laboratories by Lt.-Col. Goodall, and a short description of some of the researches at present being carried on there was given by him and Dr. Walker. In the Chemical Laboratory Dr. R. V. Stanford, Research Chemist, demonstrated: (1) Colorimetry with the improved dilution colorimeter, including the Dalite lamp; (2) the nitrogen method for the differential diagnosis of general paralysis and other forms of disease; (3) a new method of estimating minute quantities of ammonia, applicable to micro-estimations of nitrogen, urea, etc. In the X-ray room, instantaneous radiography, and a series of sets of radiograms obtained by this means, showing the passage of an opaque meal through the alimentary tract in a number of different types of mental disease.

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