this, and one which bears me out in the views here taken of both osteomalacia and of this specific form of paralysis so common to the alienated. (See my '*Ganglionic Nervous System*,' chap. iii., 'Pathology,' p. 265.) It was in 1842 that I detected, at the Hanwell Asylum, the existence of osteomalacia in those dying insane. Furthermore, in the 'Medical Times,' No. 170, vol. vii. p. 195, *et seq.* (1842), is seen recorded by me a highly interesting example of the *co-existence of osteomalacia and insanity* in a female patient who died under my care at Hanwell, in whom six spontaneous fractures of the long bones—femur, humerus, and so on—were found *post mortem*. In this case I have described the skeleton as 'CONVERTED, IN GREAT PART, INTO A DARK SEMI-CALCAREOUS GRUMOUS MATTER.'

"Under the circumstances, then, you will, I trust, afford me this opportunity to make a prior claim—one of no less than twenty-eight years' standing—to the recognition of a 'condition of the bones of the insane,' of so much importance both to the jurist and pathologist.

"I am, sir, your obedient servant,

"JAMES GEORGE DAVEY, M.D., M.R.C.P., Lond., etc.

"4, Redland Park Villas, Bristol, August 19th, 1876."

Appointments.

BATEMAN, F., M.D., has been appointed Medical Visitor of The Grove, a house licensed for the reception of Lunatics at Catton, Norfolk.

BREE, C. R., M.D., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Medical Visitor of Essex Hall Lunatic Asylum, Colchester.

BRUSHFIELD, T. N., M.D., has been appointed Medical Visitor of Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Surrey.

CASE, Mr. H., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Metropolitan Asylum, Leavesden, vice Shaw, resigned.

COATES, W. M., M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L., has been appointed a Medical Visitor of all Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Wilts.

DAY, H., M.D., F.R.C.P.L., has been appointed a Medical Visitor of all Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Stafford.

HARLAND, J. T., M.D., has been appointed a Medical Visitor of all Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Stafford.

KEMM, W., M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L., has been appointed a Medical Visitor of all Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Wilts.

KINGLAKE, J. H., M.D., has been appointed Medical Visitor of Amberd House, and all other houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics within the West Division of the County of Somerset.

PAXTON, F. V., M.B., M.R.C.P.L., has been appointed Medical Visitor of Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the Western Division of the County of Sussex.

RAWSON, J., M.B., L.R.C.S.I., has been appointed a Medical Visitor of all Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Stafford.

SHAW, J. C., B.A, M.D., M.B., M.R.C.P.L., M.R.C.S.E., & L.S.A., has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Middlesex County Lunatic Asylum, Banstead.

WAYLEN, G., M.R.C.S.E., L.S.A.L., has been appointed a Medical Visitor of all Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics in the County of Wilts.

WYBRANTS, J., M.D., F.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Medical Visitor of Downside Lodge, and all other Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics within the East and Middle Divisions of the County of Somerset.

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