the rock, when he said that the question of criminal responsibility was one fitted for the elucidation of lawyers, as their ideas seemed very vague upon this interesting subject.

The following Resolution, which was passed at the February meeting of the Educational Committee, was read by the Secretary:

"EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE.

"It is resolved that no candidate be excused the nursing examinations or any part of them on any ground whatsoever.

"It is resolved that those male and female nurses who have served during the present war in either the Navy or Army be excused all the items of training mentioned in paragraph 8 of the training regulations except (*a*) requiring twelve months' attendance on the insane.

"It is resolved that in the case of any attendant or nurse, who, by reason of war service, has been prevented from sitting for the preliminary examination, the statutory interval between the two examinations be not insisted upon, provided that the necessary three years' service be not shortened."

It was felt that the resolution of the Irish Division has been somewhat drastically dealt with by the Educational Committee, but it was agreed that no further action should be taken in the matter.

The discussion which took place at the Autumn Meeting last year having proved such a success, it was suggested by Dr. Rainsford that another similar discussion be introduced at the meeting in November next. Dr. J. O'C. Donelan kindly consented to open a discussion on the subject of "Alcoholism and Insanity," and his proposal was cordially agreed to.

It was proposed by Dr. GREENE and passed with acclamation that the best thanks of the Division be tendered to the Doctors Eustace for their kindness and hospitality in entertaining the meeting.

Dr. EUSTACE having replied, the proceedings terminated.

RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

Minutes of Meeting held in London on February 18th, 1915.

Present: Dr. Percy Smith (Chairman), Drs. Adair, Chambers, Collins, Newington, Rows, and Thomson.

(1) Dr. Collins proposed that Dr. Percy Smith be elected Chairman of the Committee. This was seconded by Dr. Adair and carried unanimously.

(2) Dr. R. G. Rows was appointed Honorary Secretary of the Committee.

(3) Dr. Hayes Newington and Dr. D. Orr were co-opted members of the Committee.

(4) Letters from Dr. T. W. McDowall to Dr. Collins and the Board of Control were read and considered. After some discussion Dr. Collins moved the following resolution: "That the Research Committee approve the principle contained in the letters of Dr. McDowall, and ask the Council to direct the Parliamentary Committee to further legislation, when such is possible, to allow of conjoined expenditure on Research by local authorities governing public Asylums." This was seconded by Dr. Thomson and adopted.

(5) Dr. Collins proposed "That the Meetings of the Research Committee be held, as far as possible, at the time of the ordinary Meetings of the Association." This was seconded by Dr. Adair and adopted.

(6) Dr. Collins proposed "That the Research Committee ask the Council whether it would be willing to make grants in aid of original work on the recommendation of this Committee." This was seconded by Dr. Chambers and adopted.

(7) It was decided to hold the next Meeting of the Committee on Tuesday, May 18th.

List of Committee: Dr. T. Stewart Adair, Dr. J. Shaw Bolton, Dr. J. Chambers, Dr. M. A. Collins, Dr. H. Devine, Dr. T. Drapes, Dr. E. Goodall, Dr. J. R. Lord, Dr. Hayes Newington, Dr. D. Orr, Dr. W. Ford Robertson, Dr. R. G. Rows (Hon. Secretary), Dr. Percy Smith, Dr. D. G. Thomson, Dr. Tulloch.

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