In this statement I am corroborated by the following extracts from the Report of the Commissioners in Lunacy on their visit in October last.

Referring to the house occupied on our recently-purchased estate, they say :—

"We were much pleased with the home-like comfort provided for eighteen ladies of the chronic harmless class. All the ladies expressed themselves as much pleased with the place, and we do not consider that at any other place could these patients receive such accommodation for such payments." Again, referring to the hospital itself, they say :—"In conclusion, we have only to express our gratification at the condition in which we found the hospital, and we hope that nothing will prevent its full development, supplying at it does, accommodation for a class not easy to provide for in many places."

It is right that I should add that your figures are altogether misleading as to the surplus income of the hospital, for the average cost taken from the Commissioners' Report is based upon certain items of expenditure only, the Commissioners excluding all sums paid for rates and taxes, repairs to buildings, and other items, which together amount to a very large sum of money.

As your remarks were published in the "Journal of Mental Science," I intend to send this correspondence to the same Journal.

I am, yours faithfully,

Dr. Thompson. J. BAYLEY.

## *Appointments.*

BANKS, W., M.B., to be Assistant Medical Officer to the York Retreat.

SPENCE, J. B., M.D., to be Medical Superintendent of the Staffordshire Asylum, Burntwood, near Lichfield.

O'MEARA, T. P., M.B., L.R.C.S.I., to be Medical Superintendent of the Carlow District Asylum.

BOYD, R. J., L.R.C.P.Ed., L.R.C.S.Ed., to be Assistant Medical Officer to the Cambridge County Asylum, at Fulbourn.

*We are glad to observe that the Committee of this Asylum has at last appointed an Assistant Medical Officer, after, as shown by the Annual Reports, years of refusal to comply with the recommendations of the Lunacy Commissioners and the Home Secretary. It is not to the credit of the Justices that false ideas of economy should have for long left this County Asylum the only one in the Kingdom in the position of refusing to afford a Superintendent the assistance he requires, however ably he may perform his duties.*

FIELD, A., M.B., C.M., to be Medical Superintendent of the Lunatic Asylum and Visiting Physician to the Lazaretto, Barbadoes.

HARRIS, F. W. H., M.R.C.S.E., to be Assistant Medical Officer to the Suffolk County Asylum.

RUTHERFORD, R. L., to be Assistant Medical Officer to the Devon County Asylum.

COMPTON, T. T., M.B., C.M., to be Junior Assistant Medical Officer to the Norfolk Asylum.

CLARK, A. CAMPBELL, M.B., C.M., Edin., to be Medical Superintendent of the Glasgow District Asylum at Bothwell.

## *Errata in No. CXV.*

P. 386, line 12, *read* Dr. Bucknill (Manual of Psychological Medicine, p. 571.)

P. 471, line 14, *read* "Physiology."

P. 471, lines 22-23, omit "for the British Medical Association," and insert after "made," the words "by the Medical Section of the British Association."

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