CORK ASYLUM.

In view of the overcrowding in this institution for some time past, the Board of Governors has adopted a suggestion that a hospital should be built on grounds adjoining the asylum, which should be a complete establishment in itself, and to which all curable cases should be removed. We congratulate the Board on their decision.

WOODILEE ASYLUM.

An action, brought by the Barony Parish of Glasgow *v.* the General Board of Lunacy, contended that Woodilee was a Public or Parochial Asylum, and that in either case a license from the General Board was not required, nor that the Board were not entitled as a condition of license to prescribe the number of the Managing Committee. Lord Low, before whom the action was brought on appeal, decided in favour of the Barony Parish.

THE DUXHURST HOSPITAL HOME FOR LADY INEBRIATES.

This home, The Manor House, Duxhurst, near Reigate, has been recently opened under the auspices of Lady Henry Somerset, for the treatment of ladies suffering from alcoholism or narcotism.

The house, formerly a gentleman's residence, is admirably adapted for its present use, surrounded by extensive gardens, grounds, and farm, with fine views and in good air, between three and four miles from Reigate. It is thoroughly in the country, the nearest beerseller being a mile and a half distant. The water supply is good and the drainage has been arranged by Mr. Rogers Field.

In addition to the usual means of recreation, special provision has been made by the engagement of a trained lady gardener, to give gardening occupation, not only out of doors, but also in extensive glass houses which have been erected to this end. This is evidently a most valuable adjunct to the treatment.

The terms vary from two to five guineas.

Having inspected the home, we have formed a very favourable estimate of its advantages, and heartily wish success to so charitable an undertaking.

At a second home at some little distance on the same estate, patients of a less educated class are received at a lower rate, the maximum being thirty shillings per week.

A third establishment, also at a convenient distance, receives habitual inebriates of a still lower class, who have been imprisoned, etc.

These are accommodated in six prettily constructed cottages specially built for the purpose; each cottage receives six patients under the care of a nurse, and there is a central building for the kitchen, dining hall, and recreation room. The whole constitutes one of the best arrangements for the management and treatment of this class of invalids that has been established in this country.

THE MORISON LECTURES.

The Morison lectures for the present year have been delivered by Dr. Alexander Bruce, who has chosen for his subject "The Nerve Tracts and Connections of the Special Nerves in the Spinal Cord, Mid and Hind Brain."

The publication of these lectures will be awaited with interest by all who have not had the good fortune to attend their delivery.

LUNACY COMMISSION IN IRELAND.

The following gentlemen now serve as Commissioners for general control and correspondence, and for the superintending and directing the erection, establishment, and regulation of ayslums for the pauper lunatics of Ireland:—The Rt. Hon. Mr. Justice Holmes, Mr. Thomas Robertson, Dr. O'Farrell, Dr. Courtenay, F. R. Cruise, M.D., Mr. David Drummond, and Mr. Charles Kennedy. It will be observed that the retirement of General Sir R. H. Sankey, R.E., from the chair-

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