'On Primary Cancer of the Brain: an Inquiry into its Pathology, with Statistics as to its Frequency, and Illustrative Cases. By G. Mackenzie Bacon, M.D., Assistant-Physician, Cambridge County Asylum. John Churchill and Sons, New Burlington Street (pamphlet).

Appointments.

G. Fielding Blandford, M.B. Oxon., M.R.C.P., has been appointed Lecturer on Lunacy at St. George's Hospital.

F. Sutton, M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Norfolk County Asylum.

J. A. Eames, M.D., to be Resident Physician to the Letterkenny Lunatic Asylum.

James Davidson, M.B. Aberdeen, to be Resident Medical Officer of the Banffshire District Asylum.

J. B. Tuke, M.D. Edin., Assistant-Physician to the Royal Edinburgh Asylum, has been appointed Medical Superintendent of the Fife and Kinross District Asylum.

Obituary.

At 81, Curzon Street, on the 10th of March, Thomas Turner, Esq., M.D. Cantab., F.R.C.P., late Commissioner in Lunacy, and formerly Treasurer of the College, and Physician to St. Thomas's Hospital.

In the 'Journal of Mental Science,' for January, 1856, *our late Editor paid the following tribute to Dr. Turner's merits, and which, now that he has gone to his eternal rest, we gladly endorse.* "*Dr. Turner*" (*wrote Dr. Bucknill*) "*retires from the Commission full of years and honours; and all who have the pleasure of knowing this thoroughly kind-hearted and accomplished physician will unite in heartily wishing him the enjoyment of many years of health and well-earned repose. Dr. Turner's visits of inspection to asylums were always agreeable incidents to superintendents, and were often instructive. His demeanour on such occasions was gentlemanly and considerate. He was influenced by no narrow or one-sided views of his duty, and he was ever prepared, not only to defend the interests and to promote the well-being of the patients, but also to acknowledge the just claims and to appreciate the difficulties of those who had charge of them.*"

The Annual Meeting of the Association of Medical Officers of Asylums and Hospitals for the Insane will be held in London, probably on the first Thursday in July, under the Presidency of William Wood, M.D. F.R.C.P.,

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