The Earl of SHAFTESBURY briefly responded.

The discussion on Dr. Campbell's paper was again postponed,* many members having to go to the Informal Reception of the Congress, at the College of Physicians, and the meeting separated.

THE DINNER.

The members of the Association dined together in the evening at the Freemasons' Tavern, when they were joined by several distinguished visitors.

The usual loyal toasts having been duly honoured, the PRESIDENT, Dr. Hack Tuke, proposed the health of "The Bench and the Bar," referring to the close connection existing between the legal and medical professions in relation to the question of the responsibility of the insane. Alluding to the dogma laid down by a writer in bygone times, that all crimes of enormity committed by the insane should be followed by the extreme penalty of the law, he compared it with the more enlightened opinions entertained by jurists of the present day. He enlarged upon the importance of medical men studying the subject of mental responsibility from the lawyer's point of view, as well as their own, and suggested that a little knowledge of mental psychology would not be found altogether useless by members of the legal profession.

Mr. JUSTICE FRY, in responding, said that he fully concurred in the desirability of mutual intercourse between the legal and medical professions upon the important subject alluded to. He would not then enter upon the difficult question as to how far the terrible disease, which it was specially the province of the medical men present to meet, was related to that other disease which the lawyers could only recognise by the name of sin; but he wished to express the very strong feeling of regard and respect which he was sure was entertained, both by the Bench and the Bar, for all those medical witnesses who came forward to give evidence concerning the real truth of the case, and who did not come forward merely as the sworn advocates of the cause they represented. None but those who had the responsibility of administering justice could fully appreciate the value of the assistance of such medical men in discovering the truth. On the other hand he could not criticise too strongly witnesses who came forward to assist merely on their own side. He thanked the Association most warmly for the toast which had been proposed, and with which his own name and that of Mr Thomas Bucknill had been coupled.

The PRESIDENT said that he must congratulate the Association upon having as their guests that evening several distinguished foreign psychologists, and he felt that the Association would join with him in wishing them all a most hearty welcome. Among those who were present with them that evening he might mention Professor Laségue, M. Foville, M. Motet, and Professor Ball, all well known to the Association as eminent members of the profession in France. From Austria they had Professor Benedikt and Dr. Müller; from Switzerland, Dr. von Speyr; from Italy, Professor Tamburini; from America, Dr. Whitmer, and Professor Osler from Canada.

Professor LASÉGUE responded, and reciprocated, on behalf of the foreign guests, the kind feelings which had been expressed towards them by the Association.

The health of the Commissioners in Lunacy, and the Lord Chancellor's Visitors, was proposed by Dr. SAVAGE, and responded to by Drs. WILLIAMS and CRICHTON BROWNE. The remaining toasts were, "The President," proposed by Dr. BUCKNILL; "The Prosperity of the Association," by the PRESIDENT; "The Ex-President," "The President-Elect," "The Council and Officers."

* It is to be hoped that this important Paper will be discussed at the next Quarterly Meeting in London.—[EDS.]

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