

ability; and his three and a half years of office in the Fife and Kinross Asylum were years of solid and steadily increasing prosperity for the institution. Only the day before his death he had, at a meeting of the District Board of Lunacy, read the record of a year's work manfully carried out and crowned with more than the usual meed of success. Pleasant congratulations and more substantial rewards were crowding upon him, when a sad accident rudely cut him off, while still in the flower of his manhood and with apparently a career of increasing distinction and usefulness opening out before him.

Dr. Brown contributed several papers to the "Journal of Mental Science," two of which, viz., "*Two Cases of Apoplexy of the Pons Varolii*," July, 1875, and "*Case of Transient Alternating Hemiplegia*," July, 1877, bear evidence to his careful observation of symptoms and his thoroughness in tracing out the pathology of disease. But his published papers represent only a very small part of what he had done, for he was an indefatigable worker in the field of the morbid histology of the brain and spinal cord, and he has left behind a very valuable collection of microscopical preparations, among which are included specimens of a rare and hitherto undescribed form of brain lesion. His keen desire to do thoroughly well whatever he put his hand to made him slow to appear in print; but in his investigations into the pathology of insanity, some of which still remain to be published, he did work of real and abiding value.

Of his success in the practice of his special branch of the profession, his life, short as it has been, gave abundant proof; and had he lived, his ripener years would without doubt have verified the high promise of his earlier career, and he would have won for himself a foremost place in the ranks of alienist physicians.

The social side of Dr. Brown's character was as admirable as the professional. He was eminently a sociable man, and was gifted with a vivid fancy and a keen sense of humour, the exuberant play of which, joined to real kindness of heart, made his companionship unfailingly bright and full of sunshine, without ever leaving a sting. In the words of one of his friends, Dr. Brown was "a man who had an eye for the world's flowers, and an ear for its music, and a ready hand for a friend." Among his acquaintances he has left none but sunny memories behind him; and to his more intimate friends his death comes as the loss of one whom they loved much, and whose place will not soon or easily be filled again. Dr. Brown possessed a special talent for acting, and had, when a student, appeared on the boards of the Edinburgh Theatre Royal as a member of the University Dramatic Society, his favourite parts being in broad comedy. In after-years he made this talent subserve his more serious work, and showed that he could minister to minds diseased not only as the physician proper, but also as one who took the liveliest interest in the welfare of his patients, and who spared himself no labour in providing those recreations and amusements which promote their health and happiness.

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#### DR. GEOGHEGAN.

We regret to have to record the death in the prime of life of Dr. Geoghegan.

Ed. Geo. Geoghegan was the seventh son of Dr. T. Geoghegan, of Dublin. He was B.A., T.C.D., M.D. Strasburg; L.R.C.S.I., educated at Dublin, Edinburgh, and Strasburg Universities. He began his asylum career as Assistant Medical Officer at Morningside with Dr. Clouston, but left after a short stay to go to the West Riding Asylum, Wakefield, as Clinical Clerk; afterwards he was appointed Senior Assistant Medical Officer at Gloucester County Asylum, and resigned in July, 1880, on being appointed Assistant Medical Officer in the Portsmouth Borough Asylum, which post he held until his death. He was a

frequent and valued contributor to the "Journal of Mental Science," his last paper appearing in the April number of this year. He also published several chemical papers in German in the German periodicals. He was an industrious worker, and was possessed of considerable ability. The illness which terminated his death was typhoid fever of a most virulent type. He died Oct. 27, 1881, in the 29th year of his age.

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DR. PHILLIMORE.

Wm. P. Phillimore, M.B., Medical Superintendent of the County Asylum, Nottingham, since 1855, died, aged 60, on the 21st day of November, 1881.

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MR. GREEN.

Thomas Green, M.R.C.S. and L.S.A., Medical Superintendent of the Birmingham Borough Lunatic Asylum, died on the 29th of November, aged 81.

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