

ii. That the admissions be divided into "First admissions" and "Not first admissions."

iii. That Direct and Indirect admissions be differentiated under separate columns.

Dr. URQUHART suggested that Table IIA of the present Statistical Tables be retained as an optional table.

As time was not available for further discussion, Dr. G. M. ROBERTSON, seconded by Dr. KERR, moved "That a Committee consisting of Drs. Clouston, Urquhart, Oswald, and Marr be appointed to meet the Scottish members of the Statistical Committee, and to take such steps as they consider necessary to collect the opinion of members of the Scottish Division regarding the tables, to codify these opinions as far as possible, and present the result to a special meeting of the Division." This was agreed to.

A vote of thanks to the chairman terminated the meeting. The members afterwards dined together in the Station Hotel, Perth.

IRISH DIVISION.

SPECIAL MEETING.

A Special Meeting of the Division was held, with the sanction of the President of the Association, at the Royal College of Physicians, Dublin, on Friday, February 17th. Dr. Oscar Woods occupied the chair, and there were also present Drs. O'Neill, Norman, Harvey, Oakshott, Finegan, W. Graham, J. J. Fitzgerald, and W. R. Dawson (Hon. Sec.).

The minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed, and the Secretary explained that the President had sanctioned the calling of the meeting in order to consider the recent Order of the Irish Local Government Board, in so far as it affected the management of asylums, it being clearly understood that any action taken would be on behalf of the Division only. A letter was then read from Dr. M. J. Nolan, in which he regretted his inability to attend, and called attention to certain points in the Order which he considered absurd and unworkable.

A prolonged discussion then followed, in which all the members present joined, and though some speakers approved of certain isolated points in the Order, the opinion of the meeting was condemnatory of it as a whole. Finally the following resolution was proposed by Dr. W. Graham, seconded by Dr. J. J. Fitzgerald, and passed unanimously:

"That Drs. Norman and Woods be empowered to embody a resolution on the terms as discussed, and that same be forwarded to the Inspectors of Lunatics."

Dr. Woods being obliged to leave, Dr. Norman was then voted to the chair; and Dr. Finegan wished to propose a resolution with reference to Youghal Auxiliary Asylum. As the meeting had been called for a specific purpose this was ruled out of order; but the members present informally expressed a wish that the Secretary, or, failing him, Dr. Nolan, should attend the meeting of the Association at York, and lay the facts before the Parliamentary Committee with a view to securing their good offices, and that if neither could go the Secretary should bring the matter in writing under the notice of the said Committee.

The meeting then terminated.

RECENT MEDICO-LEGAL CASES.

REPORTED BY DR. MERCIER.

The report of the Australian case credited in our last issue to Dr. Cleland was, in fact, kindly sent by Dr. Andrew Davidson, of Callan Park, to whom Dr. Mercier desires to apologise and make this reparation.

[The Editors request that members will oblige by sending full newspaper reports of all cases of interest as published by the local press at the time of the assizes.]

The Guardians of Coventry v. the Guardians of Epsom.

This was a very curious case which turned upon the precise time at which a person became insane. About two and a half years ago a girl, named Amelia