

become attached to the injured organ, and so prevented the escape of food into the abdominal cavity, and thus no doubt prolonged the life of the patient considerably. The condition of the brain, too, was of interest with reference to the paralytic seizure of 13 years ago. In the posterior lobe of the left hemisphere, there was a large cavity, which contained about 2 oz. of serum. This cavity communicated with the left lateral ventricle, and its external wall was formed by the membranes of the brain, which were much thickened.

The following papers were then read :—

“Notes on the Autopsy of an Idiot.” By Dr. J. Batty Tuke.

“The Religious Sentiment in Epileptics.” By Dr. James Howden.

“The Psychical and Sensory Deficiencies of Idiots.” By Dr. Ireland.

“The Shower-bath in Insanity.” By Dr. John A. Campbell.

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*Obituary.*

**REV. HERBERT HAINES.**

In the obituary of the “*Journal of Mental Science*,” there should not be omitted a brief memorial of Herbert Haines, Chaplain, since 1854, of the Gloucester County Asylum. Mr. Haines was a distinguished authority on Monumental Brasses, about which he wrote manuals of repute. Even in his college days he possessed considerable knowledge of this branch of Archaeology. It is said that he was much overworked—he was also Second Master of the Gloucester Coll. Sch.)—and his health had evidently been declining for some time.

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*Appointments.*

CLAPHAM, W. C. S., L.R.C.P.L. &c., has been appointed Resident Clinical Assistant to the West Riding Asylum, Wakefield, *vice* T. O. Woods, M.B., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Warwick County Asylum.

COLDEN, E., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Apothecary to the Hanwell Lunatic Asylum.

DOUGLAS, W., M.D., has been appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Female Department, Durham County Lunatic Asylum, Sedgefield, *vice* J. Lowe, M.D., appointed Assistant Medical Officer to the Sheffield Asylum.

FLETCHER, R. V., L.R.C.P. Ed., L.R.C.S. Ed., L.R.C.S.I., has been appointed Resident Medical Superintendent of the District Lunatic Asylum, Waterford, *vice* F. X. F. MacCabe, L.K.Q.C.P.I., M.R.C.S.E., appointed Governor and Resident Physician of the Central Criminal Lunatic Asylum, Dundrum.

HARRIS, W. J., M.R.C.S.E., has been appointed Medical Visitor of Houses licensed for the reception of Lunatics within the Western Division of the County of Sussex, *vice* S. W. D. Williams, M.D., L.R.C.P.L., resigned.