

INSANITY DISCUSSED

American Medico-Psychological Association in Session Here

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Visiting Delegates Welcomed by the Governor and Mayor

MAY SCIENTIFIC PAPERS READ

Colonization of Chronic Insane and

Epileptics—Milwaukee and Atlantic

City Want Next Convention—

The Attendance Quite Large

The American Medico-Psychological

Association commenced its fifty-sixth

annual meeting in this city yesterday.

The convention will extend over four

days. Its sessions take place in the

Jefferson Hotel, and a cooler, pleasanter

place for the meetings could not have

been chosen.

There were three sessions yesterday.

In the morning the introductory

exercises were disposed of. A number of

professional papers were read at the

afternoon session. At night a subject of

peculiar interest in Virginia just now was

discussed—the colonization of the insane

and epileptics, with suggestions and

inter-serial illustrations from the

celebrated Craig Colony for Epileptics,

of New York.

The attendance upon yesterday's

sessions compared very favorably with

the numbers present at past sessions of

the association.

MILWAUKEE OR ATLANTIC CITY.

The time and place of next year's

meeting is occasionally mentioned, though

not definitely decided upon. It is

believed that the meeting will not

be made until Friday morning's

session. Milwaukee and Atlantic City

are the favorite candidates for the

honor. There will be two sessions to-day.

The morning session will be held at

10 o'clock, and the programme includes

a number of important papers. At 8 o'clock

Dr. J. Allison Hodges, of this city, will

present the annual address. He has

prepared an address on the subject, "The

Effect of Freedom Upon the Physical

Development of the Negro."

On Thursday night an informal

reception will be tendered the association

by the committee of arrangements.

The committee of arrangements, Dr.

Blackford, of Staunton, chairman. This

will include music, and a cake walk by

Miss Gill's interesting boys of the Male

Orphan Asylum. This informal affair

will take place at the Jefferson.

The initial session was called to order

at 8 o'clock A. M., by President Joseph G.

Rogers, M. D., of Loganport, Ind. It

was opened with prayer by Rev. J. Y.

Lawman, rector of All-Saints' Episcopal

Church, of this city. Dr. Benjamin Black-

ford, of the Committee of Arrangements,

introduced his Excellency, Governor J.

Hoge Tyler, who welcomed the visitors

in behalf of the State.

The governor's address pointed out

the points of historic interest about the

city, and recalled briefly the stories of

the city's monuments. In conclusion, the

governor said: "Who can minister to a

master mind and a great gentleman, and

war profession have done much to solve

the problem. From such meetings each

year those upon whom the hand of affec-

tion has been laid will experience ben-

eficial and comfort as the result of your

deberations.

"We are glad to welcome such a

representative body, coming from such

wide extended sections. The gates of the

city and the hearts of all the people are

glad to welcome you.

"I welcome you to our State and

home."

To Mayor Richard M. Taylor had been

entrusted the honor of welcoming the

visitors on behalf of the citizens, and

he discharged the function in a brief, ap-

propriate little speech.

Dr. J. N. Uphur appeared to welcome

the doctors on behalf of the medical

profession. In the course of his address

he alluded to the fact that Virginia

was the birthplace of the first hospital in

America, at Williamsburg.

Dr. Rogers, president of the association,

responded to the words of welcome, and

later made his annual address, which

dealt with topics which were of peculiar

interest and importance to the associa-

tion.

The president appointed the following

Committee: Dr. P. L. Murray, of

North Carolina; Dr. N. H. Beecher,

of Ontario; Dr. F. C. Hoyt, of Iowa;

Dr. D. B. Burwell, of New York; Dr. J.

L. Orth, of Pennsylvania.

A recess was ordered to afford the

members an opportunity to register.

The association adjourned the morning

session at 12:30 o'clock, to reassemble at

2 P. M.

The afternoon session.

The afternoon session was given over

to the reading of papers. One of the

papers

read

was

entitled

"The

Pathology

of

Insanity

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Epilepsy

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