

an inquest held next day. The jury exonerated the Asylum authorities and employees.

2. J. M. (a patient) was struck by James Collins (an attendant), with a heavy walking-cane, on the left arm, fracturing the *ulna* about one-third the length of the bone from the wrist. I prosecuted James Collins for assault. He was found guilty, and fined two dollars and costs. He was, of course, discharged from the Asylum service.

3. A woman named E. H. eloped from the Asylum July 9th, 1881; on the afternoon of the next day her body was found in the River Thames, a short distance below London. An inquest was held on the body, and the jury censured the Asylum authorities for not having made a more extended search for the woman. They also recommended that the Inspector should investigate the case.

4. On the 27th or August, 1881, R. A. (a patient), without previous quarrel or warning, struck W. S. (a patient), knocked him down, and instantly jumped upon his body. W. S. died on the 29th. An inquest was held, and a *post-mortem* examination was made. It was found that the cause of death was *peritonitis*, from a ruptured bowel. The jury exonerated the attendants.

AMUSEMENTS.

During the last twelve months we have been able, chiefly through the kindness of the friends of the Asylum in London, to give the patients the usual weekly entertainments, in addition to the regular weekly dance during the winter season, and cricket, quoits, etc., in the summer.

The special entertainments provided during the year were as follows:

- (1) Entertainment by Asylum Minstrel Troupe.
- (2) Grand Concert by the 7th Fusilier Band, under the leadership