

APPENDIX III—continued.

although neither can be practised by one who has not a good knowledge of general medicine, yet they lie rather in water-tight compartments—relatively speaking of course.

Prof. Bradford: Probably most advantageously studied in separate departments.

Prof. Mott: It depends entirely upon the men selected for the posts. If you had a Dr. Osler, you would not want a specialist in any branch of medicine.

11. Should the work in the in-patient and out-patient department be co-ordinate in any way, and, if so, how?

Prof. Fitz: The out-patient department should be subordinate to the ward-service and supplement it.

Prof. G. Thompson: Yes; read the rules and regulations of Bellevue hospital, you can get printed copy of same by writing Dr. S. T. Armstrong, the superintendent.

Prof. Stockton: Best co-ordinated in a charity hospital, patients to be sent up to receiving ward until passed on by the attending staff.

Prof. L. F. Barker: The out-patient department should be a sub-department of the in-patient. In the case of obstetrics it is important that the resident staff of the hospital shall also be the staff of the out-patient department, so that the hospital may be properly fed from the outside.

Prof. Geo. Dock: Think the out-patient department should be a part of the in-service, with separate subordinates, but under the control of the chiefs of the departments.

Prof. Osler: Yes; there should be the closest affiliation. In the teaching ample provision should be made for work of this kind in the way of large rooms, etc.

Prof. Byrom Bramwell: It is better I think that the in-patient and out-patient departments should be separated. The in-patient department managed by the full-physicians and the out-patient department by the assistant physicians.

Prof. Stewart: Does not express an opinion.

Prof. Allbutt: Yes; closely, each out-patient physician should be in official association with his respective in-patient physician. The out-patient physician should by courtesy of his senior be allowed occasionally a bed or two for such cases as he may be interested in.

Prof. Bradford: Yes.