MENTAL HYGIENE.

CARE OF THE FEELING-MINDED.

A PSYCHOLOGICAL CLINIC WANTED.

An interesting account of mental hygiene, and particularly of mentally defective children, took place at the annual meeting of the Mental Health Association, held at the Institute of Science and Industry in London on Thursday evening, when the report of the committee appointed by the association was read.

The subject was the care of the mentally defective, and the report was made by Dr. J. R. M. Downey, superintendent of the Parkside Mental Hospital, Southsea. He said that the state of the matter of the mentally defective had been greatly changed in recent years, and that the public were now better informed about the subject.

Dr. Downey said that the mentally defective were a large and important class of the population, and that the best way to deal with them was by education and training. He said that the mentally defective were not to be regarded as a burden on the community, but as a source of benefit, and that they should be educated and trained as far as possible.

He said that the mentally defective were not all alike, and that they required different treatment. Some were more intelligent than others, and some were more tractable. He said that the mentally defective required a great deal of patience and care, and that they should be taught by kind and gentle methods.

Dr. Downey said that the mentally defective were not all to be regarded as incurable, and that they could be cured by education and training. He said that the mentally defective were not all to be regarded as criminals, and that they could be made useful members of society.

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