

**THE UNIVERSITY.**  
**CHAIR OF PSYCHIATRY.**

**DR. W. S. DAWSON**  
**APPOINTED.**

At a meeting of the Senate of the University, held yesterday, Dr. William S. Dawson, of Maudsley Mental Hospital, Denmark Hill, London, was appointed to the Professorship of Psychiatry, rendered vacant by the retirement of Sir John Macpherson.

The new Professor is a graduate of the University of Oxford, holding the degrees of B.A., M.B., Ch.B., M.D. (Oxon.), as well as a diploma in Psychological Medicine of the University of London. He is also a member of the Royal College of Physicians, London, and served for a period of three years in the Great War. Dr. Dawson is at present Senior Assistant at Maudsley Hospital, London, and is lecturer in clinical psychiatry in the University of London, since he has been engaged in teaching students, graduates, and medical officers of mental hospitals. He has had an extensive experience in early cases of mental disorder, and has written many papers bearing on psychiatry. He recently spent ten months in the United States as Rockefeller Research Fellow, studying the psychiatric training and the organisation of social workers, but principally engaged in research in clinical psychiatry under Professor Meyer at the Phipps Psychiatric Institute, Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, where he also acted as instructor in medical psychology.

Professor Meyer describes Dr. Dawson as "a man with an unusual record of good training and personal output of work, the author of an excellent summary compend of the essentials of psychiatric teaching, and a man of wide experience." Since his appointment to Maudsley Hospital, Dr. Dawson has been awarded the Bronze Medal for special investigation, and also the Gaskell Gold Medal and prize of the Royal Medico-Psychological Association.