

Royal British Nurses' Association.

(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)



The first Sessional Meeting took place at 8 p.m. on Friday, the 16th inst., when Mrs. Hughes, M.R.B.N.A., read an excellent paper on "Why Nurses break down in Health." Dr. Gage Brown took the Chair, and upwards of eighty members were present. Dr. Gage Brown, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and Mrs. Spencer took part in the discussion.

A Meeting of the Registration Board took place on Friday, the 23rd inst., at 5 p.m., when a large number of applications for Registration were considered and dealt with.

Several of the Sub-Committees have met during the week and transacted business.

The Bazaar Committee was numerously attended on Monday, the 19th inst., Lady Jeune in the Chair, at which final arrangements were made for the Grand Bazaar to take place in the Grafton Galleries on the 6th, 7th, and 8th of December.

A large number of Members have applied for badges, being naturally anxious to receive them from the hands of Her Royal Highness the President at the Conversation on the 7th inst. Tickets for the ceremony can be obtained from the Offices, 17, Old Cavendish St., W.

The following concerning the Association is extracted from a letter received a few days ago, from a Member of the R.B.N.A. who occupies a responsible position in the Nursing world in New Zealand:—"I have for several years past taken much interest in the gradual advance of such a grand work, and can fully understand how great the benefit must prove to the sick and invalid population of our vast Empire generally, when all things in connection with this work are carried on systematically, harmoniously, and on the best possible principles. I think you would be not a little surprised, could you see for yourself how steadily we out here are endeavouring also to make progress in the *right* direction; but, naturally, there is much to contend against; also, any advance which is to be sound and durable must essentially be of slow growth. But, notwithstanding our youth and disadvantages, we are striving to make quiet headway. Hitherto I have not subscribed to the NURSING RECORD, but next month I shall hope to forward my subscription for the same, and continue to do so regularly for the future. One of our Nurses has taken it in, so I have been able to see it occasionally, and have been struck by the useful and suitable Nursing information it contains."

Miss Wildman has resigned her post as Lady Superintendent of the Ramsay Hospital, Naini Tal, India, and is taking up private Nursing in Calcutta.

Copies of the Charter and Bye-Laws in pamphlet form can now be obtained on application to the Secretary, price 6d. each.

A Course of Five Lectures on "The Nursing of Cases of Nervous Disease," by Dr. R. S. Colman, of the National Hospital for Paralysis and Epilepsy, is

now being arranged for the benefit of Members of the R.B.N.A., and will be given early next year.

The following articles have been received at the Offices for the Bazaar, and are most gratefully acknowledged.

Nurse Waklin, St. John's Large String Bag.
House

Nurse Millson 2 Dolls, Child's Petticoat.
Nurse Eliza Davies ... Evening Wrap.
Nurse Daw 2 pairs Infants' Boots, 1 Dress.
Miss M. J. Gardiner ... 6 pairs " 1 pair Gaiters.
Miss Thompson and 1 pair Worked Slippers, 1 Cretonne
Nurses, Bolingbroke Firescreen, 3 sets D'Oyleys, 1
House Pongee Silk Frock, 1 Sofa Rug,
1 set Toilet Bags, 1 Shoe Bag,
1 Doll's Hat, and 2 wool Boas.

Maida Hill 3 children's Frocks.
Nurse Tooke, Ramsgate 2 pairs baby's socks, 4 pairs cuffs,
1 pair Mittens, 1 pair Slippers.

Nurse Piper Head Flannel, 1 Doll, 2 pairs
Babies' Socks, 2 Poppy Pen-
wipers.

Nurse Bee 3 Dressing Gowns, 2 ribbon
Rattles, and 12 Baby Buntings.

St. John's House—
Nurse Ford 2 Dolls, Costume of St. John's
House Nurses.
Nurse Frisby 2 Pinafores.
Nurse Fuller Pencil, Fancy Basket, Pincushion,
Work-case, china figures.
Nurse James 6 Frocks, 3 Petticoats, 1 Vest, 1
knitted Petticoat, and baby's
Jacket.

Nurse Henwood ... Photograph Frame.
Nurse Lucy Gunn ... Baby Doll, 6 D'Oyleys, Netted
Frill, 6 crochet

Miss Barker, Stoke-on- Linen-bag, Pinafore, 2 pairs Socks,
Trent Xmas Schumann's Papillons.
Miss Barling, Kidder- 1 Card-case, 3 Pin Boxes (poker
minster work), 1 velvet Photo Frame,
2 Tray Cloths, 1 child's Frock,
1 set D'Oyleys, 1 Work-bag.

Miss Row, Norwich ... 3 sets Toilet Mats, 1 pair Bed-room
Slippers, 2 Nightdress cases.

Miss Hill 1 knitted Shawl.
A friend 12 satin Scent Bags.
Mabel Cross 6 fancy Pincushions.
A friend Large and handsome contribution
too numerous to enter in detail.

Miss Terry, M.R.B.N.A. Contribution of £2.
New York.

Miss Leaky Ornamental Photo-frame.
Miss Carpenter 2 Petticoats, 2 Hand-screens, 1
pair Slippers.
Miss Quinton 2 Dolls, Chairback, Sideboard
Cloth, Doll's hat.

Miss Annie E. Brown ... Mountmellick Pillowsham.
Miss Innes Knitted Petticoat, Basket, 2
Babies' Spencers.

Miss Helen E. Court ... 1 pair bent ironwork Candle-
sticks, 2 Linen bags, 1 Tea-
cloth, 1 Brush bag, 1 Vest, 2
Umbrella Cases, 1 Glove Sachet,
2 Handkerchief Sachets, 4 mus-
lin Pinafores, 1 red twill Pina-
fores, 2 Lamp Mats, 1 Cloud,
2 Flower Glasses, 3 large Pin-
cushions, 1 Easel Photo-frame,
3 Hairpin-cushions, 6 Emery
Cushions, 7 dolls' hats, 2 fancy
Penwipers, 6 small Pin-cushions.

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