

and charm of manner would make any class attractive. "Mode of Procedure at Public Meetings" has confessedly a dull sound, but dulness had no place at Mrs. McLaren's class. It was all so interesting, and her sympathy with the higher teaching of women in this all-important subject, so great, that the two hours passed as so many minutes. Miss Stewart, with kindly hospitality, though herself prevented from being present, by her attendance at a Sub-committee of the Royal British Nurses' Association, had provided tea for the guests, which was dispensed by Sister Lawrence.

Mrs. McLaren proposes after "coaching" her pupils in the various duties of Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer, and so on, to draw up a fictitious Agenda of a public meeting, and to have a "rehearsal" at which the several resolutions, motions, and business of the day will be brought forward by those members who elect to take part in this valuable "object-lesson."

Mrs. McLaren holds that theoretical teaching must be combined with practical working, and she considers that it is only by such "object-lessons" that confidence and a knowledge of how to meet contingencies and emergencies which may at any time arise in a committee or general meeting, can be attained.

It is hoped that a very large number of the members of the Matrons' Council will show themselves ready at the next meeting to take advantage of Mrs. McLaren's delightful teaching.

The next class will be held on June 6th, at 3 p.m., at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, W.

Royal British Nurses' Association.

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A MEETING of the Registration Board took place at the Office on Friday, April 26th, at 5 p.m., Mrs. Bedford Fenwick in the chair, when fourteen applications for registration were considered, and the following Nurses were accepted and their names enrolled on the Register:—

Name	Trained at
Dickenson, Lily	... Addenbrooke's Hospital, Cambridge.
Gray, Edith M.	... York County Hospital (cert.).
Lidster, Kate	... St. George's Hospital (cert.).
Milne, Margaret	... Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh (cert.).
Nettleton, Mary H.	... General Infirmary, Leeds (cert.).
Turney, Alice	... General Hospital, Nottingham.
Wickham, Ada	... Children's Hospital, and Alfred Hospital, Melbourne (cert.).
Swithinbank, Fanny	... Royal County Hospital, Winchester (cert.).
Sadleir, Hannah C.	... Royal Free Hospital (cert.).
Roberts, Laura E.	... Clinical Hospital, Manchester.
	(Assist. Lady Supt. Hertford British Hospital, Paris).
Dann, Ellen F.	... St. George's Hospital (cert.).

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held on Friday, May 3rd, at 5 p.m.

The adjourned meeting of the General Council will be held at the Offices, 17, Old Cavendish Street, on Friday, May 10th, at 5 p.m.

Miss Isla Stewart concluded her interesting course of Lectures on Practical Nursing on Monday last, and the examination will take place next week, conducted by Miss Stewart and Miss Thorold, Lady Superintendent of Middlesex Hospital.

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WE are glad to announce that the Prize of One Guinea, for the best Notes on the Nursing of a medical or surgical case, has been awarded to Miss Mary Firth (cert. Guy's Hospital), of 2, Pinderfield Road, Wakefield, and we print these this week.

* * * The Notes of a case of Diphtheria, sent by Miss L. M. Jackson, are worthy of honourable mention.

* * * We hope that our readers will compete for these prizes in greater numbers in the future, and we would recommend that they should not contain more than 1,000 to 1,500 words, as such Notes lose much of their interest when at too great a length. The salient features of a case should be observed and noted.

* * * It is interesting to learn that Miss Elinor Lyon, the Lady Superintendent of the Meath Hospital in Dublin, and head of the Red Cross Sisters in Ireland, who has lately become a member of the Royal British Nurses' Association, is one of what is called a "Nursing Family." She is an Irish lady by birth, a native of Westmeath, and was trained at the Royal Southern Hospital, Liverpool, and became at once Lady Superintendent of the Children's Hospital in Dublin, where she passed three years of active service, after which she was appointed Lady Superintendent of the Meath Hospital, a very arduous post, which she has now filled for the past eleven years. Her sisters, Alison, Meta, and Bessie, are engaged respectively in charge at the Children's Hospital, Nurses' Home, Harcourt Street, and Convalescent Home, Bray. The Committee of the Red Cross Order in Dublin have started a pension fund by which their Nurses may benefit in old age, or if disqualified from earning their livelihood during earlier years, through accident or ill health; this is an excellent arrangement, and one which it would be advisable for many other institutions to follow, and it is doubtless a source of inducement to ladies intending to join the ranks of sick Nurses in Ireland.

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