

shall have power to fill up vacancies among the Hon. Officers, and on the Executive Committee, at any of its Meetings.

12. The Executive Committee shall meet once a month, or as often as may be necessary, at such times and places as may be decided upon, to receive applications for Membership, and do such other business as may be necessary.

13. No new Bye-law may be made, nor any standing Bye-law be rescinded or amended, except at the Council's Meetings, nor unless full notice of such proposed alteration, addition, or omission, shall have been given to every Member upon the notice convening the said Meeting.

RESOLUTIONS.

The resolutions of which notice was given upon the Agenda were then discussed. As three of these will be forwarded to public bodies, they cannot be published until they have been considered by those to whom they are addressed. For the information of those members who were not present, and who have received notice of the resolutions on the Agenda of the Meeting, it may be stated that there was an animated discussion on the first resolution, and a somewhat altered form was eventually adopted. Resolutions II., III. and IV. were carried unanimously.

MARGARET BREAY,
Hon. Sec., Matrons' Council.

CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION.

The principle changes in the Constitution entailed by the passing of the new Bye-laws are:—

1. The Chairman becomes the President of the Society, an alteration which is very generally acceptable.

2. The Councillors will not exceed six in number. They will be elected from past Vice-Chairmen as vacancies occur.

3. There are no longer any Associates.

AN INTERESTING PHOTOGRAPH.

A charming photograph which was on view at the Meeting, and which excited much interest, was one of Miss Hanna Kindbom, Professor of Nursing in the University of Texas, in cap and gown. Miss Kindbom, who is an Hon. Member of the Matrons' Council, at present enjoys the distinction of being the only Nursing Professor in the world.

A Correction.

HEAD SISTER.

By a printer's error in our issue of last week it was stated that Miss Mackay, who has been appointed Head Sister at Haslar, joined the Navy in 1889. As a matter of fact, Miss Mackay joined the Royal Naval Nursing Service in October, 1884.

Army Nursing Notes.

The following Nursing Sisters have been appointed on the staff of No. 8 General Hospital, and leave for South Africa on Tuesday next, the 20th inst.:—Superintendent Miss E. Holland, Army Nursing Service, and Nursing Sisters M. S. Barwell, E. M. Bickerdike, A. A. Bowles, A. Brooke, V. H. Buchanan, R. M. Bullock, R. M. Carr, E. E. Coutts, C. M. Friend, M. L. Harris, L. D. Hills, A. Hilson, F. Holmes, M. B. King, A. Knaggs, J. E. Mount, J. A. Ormerod, L. A. H. Seligmann, and A. L. Walker, of the Army Nursing Service Reserve. Three female servants will accompany the Sisters. It is satisfactory to note that the number of Sisters appointed to duty in this hospital is double the number originally detailed for duty in the General Hospitals organized by the War Office in South Africa.

His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales inspected the staff of the Yeomanry Hospital at Devonshire House, on Friday, the 9th inst., and was very kind and gracious. He shook hands with all the medical staff, including the dressers, and with the Matron and Night Sister. To the nurses he bowed and they bowed.

We learn, upon good authority, that young Mr. Fripp, assistant surgeon at Guy's, acted practically as nursing adviser to the Ladies' Yeomanry Hospital Committee, so that the selection of two ladies holding *one year's certificates* from that school, as Matron and Night Sister, instead of women holding *three year's certificates of efficiency*, need not surprise the nursing world.

Her Royal Highness, Princess Louise Marchioness of Lorne, has, however, shown her intelligent appreciation of the situation. Beds at the Hotel Cecil for the use of wounded officers have been placed at her disposal; and the fact that she has requested the Matron of a leading training school to select *suitable* nurses to nurse the patients, is a lesson which the ladies on the Yeomanry Hospital Committee might well take to heart.

In a few weeks, ample hospital accommodation should be installed in South Africa to meet all needs. Mr. Van Allan has sailed with his field hospital, and the equipment of the Langman Hospital of 100 beds is almost complete.

Mr. "Freddie" Treves, in a letter to the *London Hospital Gazette*, again speaks in warm praise of the work of the four nurses at the front. He says:—"They never rested. Their very presence among the dead and dying was something, and

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