

This paper is hardly necessary for nurses, who clothe themselves under the light of reason, and whose dress seems all that ought to be desired in relation to their duties. Only it may remind them that they can influence their patients for good in this vital question better than any other person can, and in doing so they may help to elevate the standard of feminine intellectual capability, æsthetic sensitiveness, and moral conscience (and through that the national well-being) by considering the clothing that is best fitted to develop the feminine frame naturally, healthfully, perfectly, as God intended it to be.

The Royal Red Cross.

On Friday in last week the King held an Investiture at Buckingham Palace. The undernamed ladies were afterwards introduced, when His Majesty conferred upon them the Decoration of the Royal Red Cross:—

Miss S. J. Browne, Matron-in-Chief, Army Nursing Service.
 Miss E. A. C. Lawrence.
 Nursing Sister Miss E. C. Shannon, Army Nursing Service.
 Georgina Dowager Countess of Dudley.
 Mrs. Percy H. Johnston.
 Miss H. Wedgwood.
 Miss Daisy Brazier.
 Mrs. Emma Kate Francis.
 Nursing Sister Miss M. C. S. Knox, Army Nursing Service.
 Miss H. Hogarth.
 Miss Ethel M'Cauley.
 Mrs. Sclater.
 Mrs. Theodosia Bagot.
 Nursing Sister and Acting Superintendent Miss L. M. Stewart, Army Nursing Service.

Nursing Delegates to the National Council of Women.

At the annual meeting of the National Council of Women of Great Britain and Ireland, held in Edinburgh this week, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick attended as the delegate of the Registered Nurses' Society, and Miss Kinnear-Adams, Matron of the Ruchill Hospital, Glasgow, acted as the delegate of the Matrons' Council. We shall hope to give an account next week of the proceedings at the Conference of the National Union of Women Workers, held under the presidency of Lady Battersea, in St. Cuthbert's Halls, as well as of the meeting of the National Council of Women. It is well that nurses should keep in touch with other women workers.

The Society for the State Registration of Nurses.

A meeting of the Provisional Committee of the above Society was held at 20, Upper Wimpole Street on Friday, the 24th ult.

Miss Clara Lee was voted to the chair. A letter of regret at not being able to be present was read from the President, Miss Louisa Stevenson, in which she proposed the name of Mr. Lawrence Pilkington, a member of the Board of Management of the Salford Royal Hospital, as Vice-President. This was seconded by Miss Mary Burr, and carried unanimously.

The Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, reported that since the last meeting she had received an invitation from the Women's Institute, London, to speak at one of their social re-unions and conferences on the question of State Registration of Nurses. This she had accepted, and the meeting would be held on November 5th. Mrs. Cobden-Sanderson, Vice-President, would preside.

An invitation had also been received from Miss E. C. Shannon, Lady Superintendent, Western Infirmary, Glasgow, to address a meeting of nurses. This invitation had also been accepted, and the Hon. Secretary proposed to visit Glasgow on Wednesday, October 29th. In the morning she would have the pleasure of meeting Miss Kinnear-Adams, Local Secretary, and the members, now twenty-four in number, at the Ruchill Hospital, and in the afternoon of speaking at the Western Infirmary.

The Hon. Secretary had also communicated with Mrs. Bennett, Lady Superintendent of the London Association of Nurses, and Miss Edith Debenham, Lady Superintendent of St. Andrews House Nurses' Club, asking for facilities for bringing the question of State Registration before the members. Kind consent and offers of help had been received from both ladies.

The matter had also been brought before the Lady Superintendent of the Nurses' Co-operation, New Cavendish Street, and a letter addressed to the Executive Committee asking that a room might be lent for the same purpose. The Secretary had acknowledged the letter, and promised to place it before the Committee at its next meeting.

Mrs. Fenwick reported that a subscription of £1 1s. had been received from the League of St. John's House Nurses, and proposed that a resolution of thanks should be sent from the committee.

This was seconded by Miss Lee, and carried unanimously.

It was proposed that Miss Shannon, of the Western Infirmary, Miss Macfarlane, of the Victoria Infirmary, and Miss Kinnear-Adams, of the Ruchill Fever Hospital, Glasgow, all of whom were in sincere sympathy with the work of the Society should be invited to form a sub-committee to deal

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