PROGRESS OF REGISTRATION IN CANADA.

The Canadian Nurse publishes the good news that after nearly six years of preparation and attempts to get it, "the Nurses' Registration Act has been passed in British Columbia, and she now joins the rest of the Western Provinces in such recognition." One interesting feature about the support given to the Bill was the very general feeling among members that, by having established affiliation, the evident attempts of the Graduate Nurses' Association to help the smaller hospitals formed a good reason for passing the Bill. The Bill was introduced as a Public Measure, and was generally recognised as a protection to the public as well as the graduate nurse.

The Act seems a thoroughly sound one, and follows closely the principles laid down in the Central Committee's Bill in this country—Independent Governing Body, three years' term of training, protected title, affiliation of special hospitals, and a ten-dollar (\pounds_2) registration fee. Good. Hearty congratulations to our Canadian colleagues.

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Centres of the College have been formed at Derby and Bristol. At the latter centre Sir Arthur Stanley stated that the local centre would include the adjoining counties, and everything would be done to encourage its power of initiative. At the moment they were not bothering about big buildings in London, but they did need an annual income of about \pounds 5,000, which they hoped to secure by means of an endowment fund of £100,000. Sir Arthur then announced that six prominent laymen had consented to serve on the finance committee. so the system of placing the laity in charge of the money means placing the practical control of these local centres in their hands. Nothing can be more stultifying to "initiative" on the part of the nurses than to deprive them of the financial control of their own affairs. But this is the College policy throughout. There is no truer proverb in our language than "those who hold the purse-strings call the tune." All the College nurses used do is to toe the line.

THE IRISH NURSING BOARD.

At the meeting of the Irish Nursing Board, held on July 12th, the following seven members were elected by ballot as the Executive Committee, to hold office for three years :--Miss Huxley, Miss Carson Rae, Dr. Kirkpatrick, Miss O'Flynn, Miss Ramsden, Miss Reeves, Miss Kearns. Colonel Sir Arthur Chance, F.R.C.S.I., was elected Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year.

The Board have every reason to be satisfied with the first year's work. Nurses have joined in numbers, fully realising the value of a strong Register to support them, and of the Irish Nursing Board to look after their interests when Parliament grants State Registration of Nurses.

PRESENTATION.

Miss Ellen Chippindale, on leaving the Clapham Maternity Hospital, of which she has been Matron for six years and Sister for five years, was presented, on July 12th, by past and present nurses with a silver tea-tray and tea kettle and stand.

Her departure is very deeply regretted by all who have worked with her or had the privilege of training under her. She also received other gifts.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

District Hospital, Newbury. — Miss Phœbe Jones has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, and has been Sister at No. 2 Red Cross Hospital, Rouen; Night Superintendent at the British Red Cross Hospital, Netley; and Matron at Groesynyd Hospital, Conway.

NIGHT SUPERINTENDENT.

Welsh National Hospital, Netley.—Miss Emily Godfrey has been appointed Night Superintendent. She was trained at the York County Hospital, and subsequently held the position of Sister in the same institution, and that of Night Superintendent at the Royal Infirmary, Perth.

THEATRE SISTER.

North Lonsdale Hospital, Barrow-in-Furness. Miss Alys M. Hatton has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at the Royal Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, has been Night Sister and Sister at the General Hospital, Walsall, and Sister at the Miller General Hospital, Greenwich, and at the Red Cross Hospital, Sandivery, Cheshire.

SISTER

Ormskirk Military Hospital.—Miss Nellie Walton has been appointed Sister. She was trained in general nursing at St. Luke's Hospital, Halifax, ard in Fever Nursing at Morton Banks, Keighley.

SECOND MASSAGE SISTER.

Leicester Royal Infirmary.—Miss Ella H. Cozens has been appointed Second Massage Sister. She was trained at Bristol Royal Infirmary, and holds the certificate of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses.

WELCOME HELP.

The President of the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the funds of the Society:--Miss A. E. Hulme, \pounds_5 ; Anon., \pounds_2 ; Miss F. Sleigh, \pounds_I 1s.; Mrs. Turnbull, \pounds_I 1s.; Miss M. N. Cureton, \pounds_I ; Miss E. J. Hurlston, \pounds_I ; Miss J. C. Child, \pounds_I ; Miss Beatrice Kent, ros.; Mrs. G. F. Wates, ros.; Miss C. A. Little, os.; Miss L. Huggins, 8s. 6d.; Miss C. MacCarthy, 6s.; Miss E. Ross, 5s.; Miss Macvitie, 5s.; Miss Lucy Woodrow, 5s.; Miss L. M. Havers, 3s. 6d.; Miss C. Wright, 2s. 6d.; Miss F. E. Batt, 2s.; Miss M. G. Allbut, 1s. 6d.; Miss McGimpsey, 1s.



