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#### Nurses Petition for a Select Committee of the House of Commons

On Tuesday March 22nd, 1904, the Committee of Medical Members in the House of Commons received a deputation, introduced by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, from the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses, and discussed with it the question of Registration from various standpoints. The deputation consisted of Lady Helen Munro Ferguson, Mrs. H. J. Tennant, Mrs. McKenzie Davidson, Miss Isla Stewart, Miss Barton, Miss Ross, Miss H. L. Pearse and Mrs. Fenwick. Resolutions in support of an inquiry into the whole nursing question were handed in from the Society for State Registration of Trained Nurses, the Irish Nurses' Association, and the National Union of Women Workers of Great Britain and Ireland, and it was decided to urge the early appointment of a Select Committee on the subject.

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