

taken from the time the Probationers should have been in bed, or from that set apart for recreation; and, if it was receiving day, or if the Probationer was in special attendance on a case, she was unable to get to the lecture at all. With the increase of the number of lectures under the new scheme this condition would have become much more serious, and, indeed, the services in the wards of Probationers who had two to three hours a day attendance on lectures, would neither be of value or reliable. Our former classes found the attendance on, and the necessary reading to keep up with, the lectures quite sufficient to occupy their time during the two months or more the lectures lasted.

The lectures on anatomy give a thorough foundation for the physiological, medical, and surgical training which is to follow. I am not sanguine that I can make any one a skilled anatomist in a course of twelve lectures, but you shall learn the name of every bone, obtain some knowledge of the main joints, vessels and nerves, and become familiar with the position of each of the organs of the body. Less than this would not satisfy the ambition of any intelligent Nurse.

In the course of lectures on physiology, you will study the working of the body in life, and will learn the laws which regulate health; while, in the course on hygiene, you will be told the conditions under which disease is spread, and the means to be taken for its prevention.

After these classes have been attended, an examination is held to test the knowledge of the pupils on the three subjects lectured on, and only those displaying a satisfactory proficiency will be allowed to join the advanced classes.

The first part of the training is thus theoretical and scientific; the second part is mainly practical, and consists of training in surgical nursing (including the application of splints and bandages), medical nursing, ward management, massage, sick-room cookery, and other cognate subjects. A second examination takes place at the completion of this course, and successful candidates then become resident in the hospital as accepted Probationers, where, if they wish the entire benefit of our system of training, they should remain for the full period of two years.

A final examination at the end of their two years of probation will, if successfully passed, gain them the certificate or diploma of a trained Nurse.

(To be concluded.)

GENERAL UNDERTAKERS.—Earth to Earth Burials, Cremations, and Statuary. For high-class WORK, the LONDON NECROPOLIS COMPANY, 188, Westminster-bridge-road, and 2, Lancaster-place Strand.—Telegrams "Tenebratio, London.

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A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Corporation will be held at the offices on Friday, December 1st, at 5 p.m.

Her Royal Highness, the President, presided at the meeting of the Registration Board, held on Friday, November 24th, at the offices. Much important business was transacted, but it was not found possible to conclude

the work, and the meeting adjourned until Thursday, the 30th inst.

A number of applications for registration were considered, and the following were accepted and their names enrolled on the list of trained Nurses maintained by the Corporation.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Certificate held from</i>
Gertrude Appleford	... St. John's House.
Edith M. Bailey	... General Hospital, Bristol.
Elizabeth Davies	... Chelsea Infirmary, London.
Josephine Hayter	... St. George's Hospital, London.
Anne E. Howe	... Lambeth Infirmary.
Emily H. Howse	... St. John's House and County Hospital, York.
Marguerite Isaacson	... University College Hospital.
Elizabeth Moore	... Hospital for Women & Children, Cork.
Ada M. Reed	... St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.
Mary E. Robinson	... General Hospital, Bristol.
Eleanor Rotherford	... St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.
Jane E. Wheatley	... St. George's Hospital, London.
Florence Whitley	... St. Bartholomew's Hospital, London.
A. G. Goodman	... St. George's Hospital, London.

THE CONVERSAZIONE.

It is hoped that members and their friends who desire to be present will, as soon as possible, apply for their tickets. The demand for these is already great, and the number which can be issued is of course limited by the possible accommodation. The programme now includes the following well-known artistes, whose generosity in coming to help us cannot fail to be warmly appreciated by our members: Madame LARKCOM, Miss LOUISE PHILLIPS, Madame ISABEL FASSETT, Mr. WILLIAM NICHOLL, Mr. BRERETON, Mr. CORNEY GRAIN, Mr. ALLAN CRAWFORD, and Miss MARY CARMICHAEL. As previously stated, we are also greatly indebted to the members of St. Bartholomew's Choral Society, who have promised their help, and also to Lady EDWARDES MOSS, who has kindly arranged for the Ladies' Mandolin Band to play during the evening.

DAISY ROBINS,
Secretary and Registrar.

AN EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS PLUM PUDDING.—Take three-quarters of a pound of flour, two ounces of Borwick's Gold Medal Baking Powder, two ounces of bread crumbs, one and a half pounds of suet, two pounds of raisins, one pound of currants, ten ounces of sugar, two ounces of almonds, one pound of mixed candied peel, salt and spice to taste, mix ingredients well together, and add six eggs well beaten, and three-quarters of a pint of milk, divide in two and boil eight hours. This receipt is unequalled.

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