

## The Matrons' Council.

THE Annual Meeting of the Matrons' Council took place on Thursday, January 10th, at 4.30 p.m., at the Matron's House, St. Bartholomew's Hospital. Miss Isla Stewart, President, occupied the Chair.



The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Letters of regret at inability to attend were reported from Miss Ross and Miss Beatrice Jones (London), Miss Junian (Croydon), Miss Barling (Kidderminster), Miss Shirley (Stoke-on-Trent), Miss Macintyre (Wigan), Miss Polden (Bath), Miss Mellor (Wellington), Miss Wilkie (Halifax), Miss Wingfield (Macclesfield).

Letters were also read and discussed from Miss Brennan (New York), the Barry District Nursing Association, Miss Julian (Croydon), the Local Government Board (England), the London Obstetrical Society, the Royal Colleges of Physicians of England and Ireland.

Applications for membership were considered and accepted from Miss K. E. Richmond, Matron of the Hospital for Women, Sparkhill, Birmingham; Miss Campbell, Matron of the Convalescent Home, Parkwood, Swanley; Miss F. K. Whitmarsh, Matron of the Bromley and Beckenham Hospital.

The Annual Report of the Executive Committee was considered and adopted, and it was agreed that it should be printed in pamphlet form.

### ANNUAL REPORT.

*Summary October 1st, 1899—December 31st, 1900.*

There are at present 9 Hon. Members of the Council and 112 Members. During the past year 16 applications for membership have been accepted by the Council, namely, those of—

- Miss Maud Banfield, Superintendent, Polyclinic Hospital, Philadelphia.
- Miss Bristow, Lady Superintendent, Gordon House Home Hospital.
- Miss Buxton, Matron, Park Hospital, Hither Green.
- Miss Cresswell, Lady Superintendent, General Infirmary, Chester.
- Miss Deane, Matron, East Suffolk Hospital, Ipswich.

- Miss Glanville, Matron, The Infirmary, Lewisham.
- Miss Gough, Matron, The Infirmary, Dawlish.
- Miss Greenlaw, Matron, Allt-yr-yn Hospital, Newport, Monmouthshire.
- Miss Hunter, Matron, Convalescent Home, Saltburn-by-the-Sea.
- Miss Lang, Superintendent of Nurses, The Infirmary, Hampstead.
- Miss Maud Moore, Matron, Hospital for Women and Children, Waterloo Bridge Road.
- Miss Polden, Matron, Royal United Hospital, Bath.
- Miss Payne, Lady Superintendent, Hospital for Sick Children, Great Ormond Street, W.C.
- Miss M. de H. Spittal, Lady Superintendent, Children's Hospital, Nottingham.
- Miss West, Matron, Grove Fever Hospital, Tooting.
- Miss Worley, Matron, Boscombe Hospital, Boumemouth.

The Council has received, with regret, the following resignations. That of—

Miss Anstey, Matron of the Infirmary, New Wandsworth, as she had not been fortunate enough to be present at any of the meetings.

Miss Louisa Hogg, on her retirement from the appointment of Head Sister in the Navy Nursing Service.

Miss Katherine H. Lumsden, Hon. Superintendent, Children's Hospital, Aberdeen, as it was impossible for her to attend any meetings of the Council or to take any active part in its proceedings.

The Council has to record, with much regret, the death of one of its earliest members, Miss M. F. Barrow, for nearly twenty years Lady Superintendent of the General Infirmary, Chester.

The thanks of the Council are due to Miss C. L. Butler, Miss E. J. Cartwright, Miss H. Poole, Miss M. G. Rogers, and Mrs. Okell, the retiring members of the Executive Committee, and to Miss Knight, the Senior Vice-Chairman, who retires in rotation.

Since our last Annual Report was issued we have had the pleasure of receiving as the Guests of the Council, Miss Hibbard, and the Nursing Sisters of the American Hospital Ship *Maine* at an At Home given in their honour at the Medical Societies' Rooms. Upwards of 150 members and invited guests were present.

### WORK OF THE COUNCIL.

During the present year the Bye-Laws have been recast. The Hon. Officers of the Council, who were the British representatives on the Provisional Committee of the International Council of Nurses, and were commissioned to frame the Draft Constitution, devoted much time and con-

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