

national Nurses' Congress in America, at which several papers will be read by members of the Matrons' Council.

One meeting of the Executive Committee has been held since the last Council Meeting, when it was decided to write to Miss Isabel McIsaac, President of the International Nurses' Congress, asking her to accept Hon. Membership of the Matrons' Council. Her letter accepting the position is before the meeting to-day.

The resignation of Miss Georgina Scott, Inglewood House, Bournemouth, has been received.

Mrs. Wates reports that the total subscriptions received to the Buffalo Delegate Fund are £49 9s. 6d., while £2 more has been promised, making the total receipts £51 9s. 6d. The expenses of collection will be under £1. We have therefore more than the £50 asked for, for the Delegate Fund.

Our thanks are due to Mrs. Wates for undertaking the collection of this Fund.

The Report was adopted, and a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Wates in acknowledgment of a donation of £1 1s. to the Buffalo Delegate Fund.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Hon. Secretary reported letters of regret at inability to attend from Miss Ross (London), Miss Glanville (Lewisham), Miss Richmond (Birmingham), Miss Gardner (Blackwell), Miss Barling (Kidderminster), Miss Kingsford (Walton-on-Thames), Miss Purvis (Middlesbrough), Miss Mareydd Harrison (Southport), Miss Wingfield (Macclesfield), Miss Pell Smith (Leicester) Miss Hay Forbes (Sidmouth), Miss Hurlbatt (Kendal), Miss Chapman (Westgate-on-Sea), Miss G. K. Adams (Glasgow).

A letter was also brought before the Council were from Miss Isabel McIsaac, Superintendent of the Illinois Training School for Nurses, saying that it would give her much pleasure to accept Honorary Membership of the Council, and conveying to it her "sincere thanks and grateful acceptance."

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Applications for Membership were then considered and accepted from—

Miss Susan Alice Villiers, Matron, Fountain Hospital, Tooting Graveney.

Miss K. E. Armstrong Dixon, Matron, Greenwich Union Infirmary, S.E.

Miss E. Margaret Fox, Matron, Tottenham Hospital, N.

Miss Margaret Jones, Matron, Gore Farm Hospital, Dartford, Kent.

Miss Traiforos, Matron, General Infirmary, Macclesfield.

Miss Edith Mawe, Matron, Royal West of England Sanatorium, Weston-super-Mare.

Miss Ethel C. Parry, late Matron, Hospital for Women, Brighton.

Miss Newman, Matron and Superintendent of Nursing, Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast.

Miss Beatrice Cutler, Matron, English Hospital and Victoria Nursing Home, Cairo.

Miss M. E. Dowrie, Matron, Lady Strangford Hospital, Port Said.

Miss J. C. Child, Matron, Memorial Hospital, Bulawayo, Rhodesia.

DELEGATE TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

A letter from Miss Janes, Secretary of the National Union of Women Workers (the National Council of Women of Great Britain and Ireland), stating that the Annual Meeting of the Council would take place in London on Tuesday, October 29th, and inviting the Matrons' Council to send a Delegate, was then considered, and action taken.

BRITISH CONGRESS ON TUBERCULOSIS.

The next business before the meeting was to receive a report from Miss Helen Todd, Matron of the National Sanatorium for Consumption, Bournemouth, the Delegate of the Matrons' Council to the British Congress on Tuberculosis.

Report of the Proceedings of the British Congress on Tuberculosis, London, July 22nd—26th, 1901.

Madam President, Ladies,—I beg to submit for your consideration a short report of the proceedings (together with some comments on the same) of the British Congress on Tuberculosis which I had the honour of attending as your Delegate.

The Congress was opened on Monday, 22nd, by the President, H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge, and remained in session until Saturday, July 27th.

The work of the Congress was divided under two heads—sectional and general. At the meetings of the first various technical points were discussed in detail by experts, whilst in the second division the prevention of tuberculosis was considered in a more general manner, and the work of the Congress as a whole surveyed.

At the final General Meeting of the Congress on July 26th, resolutions were submitted to the Delegates and Members present, and passed by them.

These resolutions condemned all promiscuous spitting, advocated the erection of Sanatoria, the early diagnosis, notification, and suitable treatment of pulmonary tuberculosis, and expressed the need for legislative measures dealing with hygiene of dwellings and workshops. As your delegate, I assented to all these resolutions.

It is much to be regretted that a representative of the Nursing Profession was not among the speakers at any of the meetings. Every other body of workers, such as those of public health, chemical and veterinary science, connected, no matter how remotely, with medicine, had representatives who contributed to debates as experts in their own subjects, and who watched the proceedings in the interests of the various societies who had nominated them.

The need of such a nursing expert was especially felt in the State and Municipal Section, when the necessity of teaching the community at large the importance of light, ventilation, fresh air, and clean-

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