

chiefly on questions arising out of her written paper, from two medical examiners. At the termination of the latter examination the successful candidates were addressed by the Chairman of the Board of Examiners, each signed the Obligation Roll of the Society, and received a handsome certificate signed by all the examiners, and bearing the seal of the Society. We foresee that this certificate will become very valuable in the future, and strongly advise all maternity nurses and those desiring to take up gynaecological work to become candidates for the examination as soon as possible. It is quite evident that the Society intends to institute a very high standard of training, and its certificates will doubtless in the future be regarded by leading specialists as the best possible recommendation which nurses, seeking such work from them, can produce.

Eight nurses presented themselves for examination, of whom the following were successful in obtaining the Gynaecological Nursing Certificate:—

Miss Ellen Edith Fowler, cert. St. Mary's Hospital, London (three years).

Miss Hannah Sadleir, cert. Royal Free Hospital (three years).

Miss Minnie Rowell, cert. Guy's Hospital (three years).

Miss Gertrude Taylor, cert. Crumpsall Infirmary (three years).

Miss Bertha Jobson, cert. Birmingham Infirmary (three years), and also cert. Midland Hospital for Women (three years).

Miss Agnes Barclay, cert. Wellington Hospital, New Zealand (three years).

The following Nurses also received the Maternity Certificates:—

Miss Sadleir, L.O.S.

Miss Rowell, L.O.S.

The written papers were as follows:—

GYNÆCOLOGICAL NURSING EXAMINATION PAPER.

1. What preparations would you make for a case of abdominal operation you have been engaged to nurse: (a) of the room; (b) of the patient; (c) of yourself?

2. What would you have in readiness for such a case: (a) for the use of the operator; (b) for the use of the patient?

3. What dangers may follow the operation for ovariectomy from the time the patient is placed in bed until the end of the fifth day; what symptoms would give rise to anxiety; and at what time would they be likely to occur?

4. Describe the nursing which is required in the case of an operation for ruptured perineum.

5. What methods would you employ in sterilising instruments and dressings for an operation in a private house?

6. How would you prepare a patient for amputation of the breast; and what dressings and bandages would you have in readiness?

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MATERNITY NURSING EXAMINATION PAPER.

1. What preparation would you make for a case of impending labour you are engaged to nurse: (a) of the room; (b) of the patient; (c) of yourself?

2. In such a case, what would you have in readiness: (a) for the use of the doctor; (b) for the mother; (c) for the infant?

3. Describe the various methods of dressing the umbilical cord. Which in your experience is the best of these, and why?

4. Describe the general care of the breasts when it is necessary to prevent lactation after a confinement?

5. After a confinement, what symptoms during the first nine days would you consider sufficiently grave to make you send for the doctor?

6. Describe fully your method of giving a bath to a newly-born infant.

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We understand that the Society has secured the co-operation of various Matrons of Maternity and Women's Hospitals, who will assist it in the practical details of the examination, a most important point in which nurses' examinations are, as a rule, weak.

The Society for the State Registration of Nurses.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee held, at 20, Upper Wimpole Street, on Monday, the 22nd inst., Miss Isla Stewart in the chair, applications for membership were considered, and the following nurses elected:—

737 Reynolds, Emily, cert. Mill Road Infirmary, Liverpool.

738 Purvis, M., Lady Superintendent, Nurses' Institute, Middlesbrough.

739 Beavis, Edith, cert. Gt. Northern Central Hosp.

740 McLeish, M., cert. St. Mary's Hosp., W.

741 Evans, Emilie G., St. Thomas' Hosp., A.N.S.R.

742 Byrde, Katherine C., cert. General Hosp., Bristol.

743 Macfarlane, Mary M., Lady Superintendent, Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow.

744 Lawrence, H., cert. Addenbrooke's Hosp., Cambridge.

745 Oxley, E. M., cert. Salisbury Infirmary.

746 Jones, Mary H., cert. Lambeth Infirmary, S.E.

747 Phillips, Louisa, cert. and Sister, St. Bartholomew's Hosp.

748 Settle, H. H., trained St. Thomas's Hosp.

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