

and a midwife keeping such a shop would do so at her own peril.

Dr. J. D. Barris, of the City of London Lying-in Hospital, was placed on the list of supernumerary examiners.

On the recommendation of the Sub-Committee on Princess Christian's Maternity Home, the Chairman moved that the latter part of the Board's resolution of December 17th, 1908, be rescinded. The resolution was passed in connection with a letter from the Secretary of the Home after the removal of two midwives connected with the Home from the roll, for drunkenness. As the latter part of the Board's resolution might, the Chairman explained, be taken to imply censure on the authorities for lack of precautions in the selection of midwives for the Home, and the Committee were satisfied that due care had been exercised, he moved from the chair that this part be rescinded, which was done.

The Board also agreed "that in the case of Peacock, the midwife under whom she trained should be required to explain her testimonial, which appears to have misled the authorities of the Home."

Eight midwives were removed from the Roll at their own request.

It was agreed "that upon the payment of the expenses of so doing, a certified midwife who has changed her name by marriage shall be allowed (upon the production of the marriage certificate) to procure the alteration of her certificate by the Secretary, so as to show her married name."

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The financial statement showed a deficiency of £1,853 8s. 5d. on the year's working, to meet which £2,000 worth of stock had been sold. To meet the expenses in the near future, the Finance Committee recommended the sale of £500 in 3 per cent. East India stock, when the invested capital remaining would amount to £550.

Mr. Parker Young remarked that the Board would soon be bankrupt, and the Secretary said that the funds remaining would carry the Board through the June quarter, but not through the September quarter. It was agreed to inform the Privy Council of the financial position of the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS.

The Chairman said that the rules of the Board in reference to vaginal examinations by pupil midwives appeared to be widely understood. He submitted a leaflet on the subject, which occasioned some discussion, Miss Paget expressing the opinion that it would not be understood. Dr. Stanley Atkinson also considered it too complicated, but the Chairman said that "the Board cannot find brains for people who won't understand." Eventually the leaflet was adopted without alteration as follows:—

Rule C. 1 (1).—Inasmuch as misapprehension seems to exist with regard to the meaning of Rule C. 1 (1): "She must have . . . attended and watched the progress of not fewer than 20 labours, making abdominal and vaginal examinations during the course of labour" (see also Schedule, Form III.): The Board wishes to point out that the word "examinations" (in the plural number) is to be

taken in connection with the word "progress," and as implying such a number of examinations as will enable the pupil to "watch the progress" of the labour. The word "frequent" is advisedly not used.

F. H. CHAMPNEYS, *Chairman*.

The next meeting of the Board was fixed for March 18th.

FEBRUARY EXAMINATION.

At the examination of the Central Midwives' Board, held in London and the Provinces on February 9th, the number of candidates examined was 510. 414 passed the examiners, the percentage of failures being 18.8. In the case of the Training Schools, the percentage was 16.5, and of those sent up by private teachers, 24.4.

LONDON.

British Lying-In Hospital.—E. S. Marriott, A. R. Smith, J. W. Sutherland.

City of London Lying-In Hospital.—G. M. Bird, I. G. Boustead, M. A. Hardinge, E. M. Jefferson, M. D. Latchmore, E. M. Parker.

Clapham Maternity Hospital.—E. Bird, D. B. Grey, D. Hopkinson, M. E. Letts, G. Nicol, B. G. Nurse, E. C. Spooner, J. D. Thompson, I. N. S. Watts.

East End Mothers' Home.—F. L. Archibald, M. Bousley, A. A. Hickman, E. F. Long, C. Osborne, E. E. Rendall, J. E. Tudberry.

General Lying-In Hospital.—E. M. Adams, M. M. Bartlett, D. S. Brown, D. M. Cooper, S. Escombe, A. J. Finlay, A. A. Jellicoe, A. Long, J. F. Mackintosh, K. May, M. I. Milner, F. M. J. Mitchell, M. L. Parsons, D. M. Pinhorn, R. M. Pole, S. Rawlings, E. Reynolds, W. P. Robertson, C. M. Sime, J. S. Sleight, C. L. Smith, P. Stringer, E. M. Thomas, F. E. Tylecote, M. J. Want.

Greenwich Union Infirmary.—V. Temple.

Guy's Institution.—E. J. Cockin, M. J. Ferdinand, M. E. Jones, C. B. Webb.

Kensington Union Infirmary.—F. E. Jones.

London Hospital.—N. V. C. A. Angel, M. Barber, L. J. Brown, L. A. Carter, M. T. Hardcastle, S. J. Hetherington, L. Packer, F. C. Row, W. W. Turnbull.

Middlesex Hospital.—F. E. Crook.

New Hospital for Women.—K. M. Browne, E. K. Wallis.

"Regions Beyond" Missionary Union.—A. H. Bell, R. E. Smith, A. G. Soper.

Queen Charlotte's Hospital.—G. E. Begrie, E. I. Bishop, M. Booth, J. S. Clark, G. C. Clemson, A. Davies, K. M. B. Dover, S. E. Hart, S. E. Lee, M. M. Lynch, I. H. Mallandaine, E. A. Mitchell, M. G. O'Connor, H. Oram, H. M. Porteous, C. A. Rice, M. Royston, L. R. Squirrel, L. Suddaby, G. E. Tatham, M. H. E. Tattersall, R. G. Warry.

Salvation Army Maternity Hospital.—L. Helmich, R. M. Mitchell, D. Moggach, C. L. Moore, C. E. Player, J. H. Shannon, E. M. Walklett, M. D. Ward.

Shoreditch Union Infirmary.—C. A. Cutt, R. Jones, F. A. M. La Gassick, T. McHugh, E. Watt.

Whitechapel Union Infirmary.—C. Craik.

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Aldershot, Louise Margaret Hospital.—E. Chatfield, L. E. Thornett.

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