

The Scottish Local Government Board.

NURSES' EXAMINATION.

On May 3rd, 4th, and 5th the Local Government Board held at Glasgow University and Glasgow Western Infirmary an examination for the certification of trained sick nurses. Thirty-eight candidates presented themselves for examination. The examiners were Dr. J. O. Affleck, Edinburgh; Dr. D. J. Mackintosh, Medical Superintendent of the Western Infirmary, Glasgow; and Dr. W. J. Richard, Medical Officer of Govan Poorhouse, Glasgow, who were assisted in the practical part of the examination by Miss H. Gregory Smith, Matron of Western Infirmary, Glasgow, and by Miss F. A. Merchant, Matron of the Eastern District Hospital, Glasgow. The subjects of examination were (a) elementary anatomy and physiology; (b) hygiene and dietetics; (c) medical and surgical nursing; and (d) midwifery. The following candidates have passed in the subjects indicated (those whose names are distinguished by an asterisk having now passed in all the subjects of examination are entitled to the certificate of efficiency granted by the Local Government Board):—

* Elizabeth Aitken (c) and (d); * Catherine C. Baillie (c); Agnes Bruce (d); * Helen T. Davidson (a) and (c); Helen C. Donald (a); Anna M. E. Fry (a); Jeanie W. F. Henderson (d); * Isabella Hepburn (c); Beatrice P. Hinderwell (d); Helena J. M'D. Irving (b) and (d); Jessie Johnstone (d); Catherine M. Kippen (d); * Margaret Laurie (c); * Elizabeth J. Murison (b) and (c); Christina S. Murray (a) and (b); Annie B. M'Coll (d); Flora M. Macdonald (d); Lena Macdonald (a); * Jane T. M'Intosh (c) and (d); Annie M'Ivor (b); Isabella R. Mackenzie (b); * Jessie D. Mackenzie (c); * Angulina Macmillan (b) and (c); Agnes B. Macnab (a) and (b); Euphemia C. MacNaught (a); Agnes H. Paton (a) and (b); Elizabeth A. Ross (a) and (b); Elizabeth H. Scott (d); Maggie Sievewright (d); Elizabeth T. Simpson (a) and (b); Maggie Steele (a) and (d); Jeanie G. Tait (d); Jeanie Toll (a); Agnes Westwood (b); Helen Whittaker (a) and (b).

The Passing Bell.

We greatly regret to report the death from drowning of Miss Casserby, a nurse at the Royal Military Infirmary, Dublin. Miss Casserby and Miss Lindsay, another nurse from the same institution, went on a visit to some friends near Kinsale, and, when bathing, one of them, who was unable to swim, got out of her depth. The nurse, who could swim, went to the rescue, but was unable to bring her friend ashore. When their distress was observed, a boat was launched and Miss Lindsay eventually brought to shore in an unconscious condition, but Miss Casserby unhappily was drowned. We tender our sincere sympathy to the relatives of the deceased nurse.

Nursing Echoes.



A Conference of representatives of County Nursing Associations and of the Council of the Queen Victoria's Jubilee Institute for Nurses was held at the headquarters of the Institute, Victoria Street, last week, under the Presidency of Mr. George Franklin. Amongst the subjects discussed were the usual practice as to payment of the doctor's fee where he had been called in at the request of a nurse to a case which was not one for parish relief. The following resolution was ultimately agreed upon:—"That the Institute be asked to organise a deputation to the Lord President of the Council pointing out the importance of providing for the payment of the doctor's fee in midwifery cases, and pressing for such amendment as will secure the payment of the fee." In regard to obtaining midwifery scholarships for Queen's Nurses it was agreed that County Councils be approached with a view to ascertaining whether an extension of the facilities for midwifery training could be made to include Queen's Nurses as well as less highly trained women.

The Hospitals Committee of the Metropolitan Asylums Board have recommended the award of a gratuity of £50 to Miss N. A. March, Assistant Nurse, who is incapacitated by a malady contracted in the discharge of her duty.

The Lord Mayor of London, who was accompanied by the Lady Mayoress, on Saturday last opened the new Nurses' Home which has been erected at the City of London Mental Hospital at Stone, Dartford. The new Home will accommodate 38 nurses, and has large recreation and reading rooms, and quarters for the Matron and Assistant Matron. Alderman Sir George Wyatt Truscott, Chairman of the Visiting Committee, presided at luncheon, which was served to a large number of visitors, and presented the Lady Mayoress with a silver framed photograph of the senior nurses, and the Lord Mayor with a signet ring. The Lord Mayor spoke of the need of a Home where the nurses could spend their leisure hours away from their work, and with pleasure declared it open. The Home was then inspected, and the Lady Mayoress presented certificates to several nurses who had recently passed the first aid examination of the St. John Ambulance Association.

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