

His Majesty the King, to the Governors of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, and to the Members of both Houses of Parliament, humbly praying that a Public Inquiry should be immediately made into the methods of management of the Nursing School of St. Bartholomew's Hospital, by the whole body of Governors.

We are informed by Mrs. Shuter that the following sums have been subscribed and promised in support of the Committee's work:—

	£	s.	d.
Mr. T. W. Craig	5	0	0
Mrs. Andrews	5	0	0
Mrs. Bedford Fenwick	3	3	0
Dr. Netteville Barron	3	3	0
Mrs. Netteville Barron	2	2	0
A League Member	2	2	0
K. B.	2	0	0
Mrs. Shuter	1	1	0
Mrs. King Roberts	1	1	0
Miss Hulme	1	1	0
Miss Pine	1	1	0
Miss Townend	1	1	0
Mrs. Bonney	1	1	0
Miss J. Hurlston	10	0	0
Miss Macvitie	5	0	0
Miss B. Kent	5	0	0
Miss Heron	2	6	
Miss Cartwright	2	6	
Mrs. Hadfield	2	6	

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Subscriptions will be gladly received and acknowledged by Mrs. Shuter, Hon. Secretary, Cleveland House, Chiswick Lane, W.

### In Memoriam.

DEAR MADAM,—On behalf of the New Zealand Trained Nurses' Association I wish to express to you my sense of the great loss the nursing profession has sustained in the death of Miss Isla Stewart. She had so long been in the forefront of all advance in hospital management and the training of nurses that even in this distant part of the British Dominions her name is well known and honoured.

I will be glad if you will kindly insert in your pages this sincere expression of regret from members of the nursing profession in New Zealand.

I am, dear Madam, yours faithfully,

HESTER MACLEAN, R.N.,  
President of the New Zealand Trained  
Nurses' Association.

Wellington, April 29th, 1910.

Miss M. D. Farquharson, Lady Superintendent of the Bendigo Hospital, Victoria, writes with deep feeling expressing sorrow at the death of Miss Isla Stewart, and offering sympathy to her friends. "It was with much sympathy we read in your paper the full account of her obsequies—we have heard so much of her grand work—and the loss sustained by the whole profession. I wish to add a few words of very true esteem for so great a member of our profession."

### Progress of State Registration.

John Bull last week published the first instalment of its Special Commissioner's report on "Nursing Homes," who, under the heading of "Nurses and Registration," writes: "Accustomed as I am to most professional and industrial workers, my investigations amongst nurses have been a revelation. The environment of the sick room seems to have left them powerless to act in their own defence. There is not a single genuine nurse but who realises that her profession is being degraded, yet the great majority are content to allow the existing state of affairs to continue rather than bestir themselves and demand registration. Credit, however, must be given where credit is due." Having attended the annual meeting of the Society for the State Registration of Nurses on Thursday, June 2nd, he gives prominence to its business.

The Commissioner goes on to report an interview with the Hon. Sydney Holland, at which he, of course, objected to registration, stating that the only possible solution to the whole question was a Nurses' "Who's Who." A most feeble substitute. What the nurses and the public want, and must have, is a Nurses' "What's What."

We congratulate the nurses of Massachusetts, and especially Miss Riddle, President of the State Association, upon whom the brunt of the conflict has fallen, upon having at last succeeded in securing State registration after a long struggle against bitter opposition. The Bill was signed by the Governor on April 29th. The Board of Registration in Nursing will be composed of three nurses holding diplomas from different training schools for nurses, with eight years' subsequent experience, a physician who is Superintendent of a hospital having a training school for nurses, and the Secretary of the State Board of Registration in Medicine. Massachusetts is one of the older New England States, where progress is slower than in the more progressive ones, and it speaks well for the constancy and determination of the nurses of the State that they have been able to secure their Registration Bill in spite of the forces arrayed against them.

### FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STATE REGISTRATION

The President of the Society for the State Registration of Trained Nurses begs to gratefully acknowledge the following subscriptions:

	£	s.	d.
Miss J. C. Child (Basutoland)	10	0	0
Miss E. Fisher (Leeds)	5	0	0
Total	15	0	0

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