

## The Registration Conference.

A largely attended Conference, convened by Lord Ampthill to consider a Nurses' Registration Bill, was held on Tuesday, January 25th, in the Council Room of the British Medical Association, by the kind permission of the Association. Lord Ampthill was unanimously elected to the chair. Through the deliberations of those present the progress of Registration was materially advanced. It was decided that these deliberations should be private.

A Central Committee, for the purpose of securing united action in regard to State Registration of Nurses until a satisfactory law has been passed by Parliament, was formally constituted by the delegates of the eight societies present. Lord Ampthill was elected Chairman, and Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and Dr. E. W. Goodall, Hon. Secretary of the Metropolitan Counties Branch of the British Medical Association, joint Hon. Secretaries.

## Progress of State Registration.

### IN AUSTRALASIA.

Touching on the work of the past year, the *Australasian Nurses' Journal* says:—

"In most of the States Bills for the State Registration of Nurses have been considered by the various Parliaments in a form which, for the most part, uphold the standard of nursing. It is a matter for regret that the Commonwealth Parliament does not take steps to pass such a Bill, so that laws for Registration of Nurses may be uniform in all the States. In New South Wales the forthcoming year will in all probability see State Registration an accomplished fact, and there is every reason to trust in a form which shall have regard for the best interests of the general public and the nursing profession.

"Till State Registration exists in all the States our Association continues to conduct the necessary examinations of candidates for registration as trained nurses. That is now no small undertaking in itself, as is evidenced by the fact that 235 nurses have been examined recently, of whom 135 were in New South Wales."

There are now 2,500 nurses on the general and obstetric registers of the A.T.N.A. Let us hope that before another year has passed we shall have begun a reciprocal system of Nurses' Registration between the Motherland and her Dominions. It is high time.

## The £100 Registration Fund.

Miss Macvitie has worked and presented for sale for this fund a beautiful open worked and embroidered white tea cloth. We want £1 Is. for it, and it is well worth it. Please someone feel generous and make it a present to a friend.

## Practical Points.

### Practical Appliances for Maternity Nurses.

We have much pleasure in drawing attention to the new and revised edition of "Notes for Maternity Nurses," supplied by Messrs. Allen and Hanburys', Ltd., Bethnal Green, E., which is full of practical information for maternity nurses. It is of a convenient size, bound in red leather, with a pocket at the back for the indispensable pencil.

Many of the notes are very useful to maternity nurses, including an obstetric table, a table on the development of the foetus according to the Lunar months, notes on the preparation of the lying-in room, and the necessaries required by nurse and patient, points for the nurse to observe before, during, and after labour, registration of birth, recipes for food preparations suitable for infants and young children, recipes for the sick room, and descriptions of "Allenburys'" Infant Dietary, Milk Foods, Malted Foods, the "Allenburys'" Malted Food, Diet, pancreated Milk-Cocoa, Barley Flour, and Liquid Beef.

Besides these, it contains illustrated notices in regard to a number of appliances most useful in the practice of a maternity nurse, some of which we have pleasure in reproducing on this page.

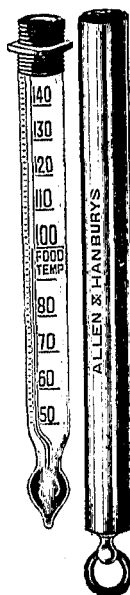
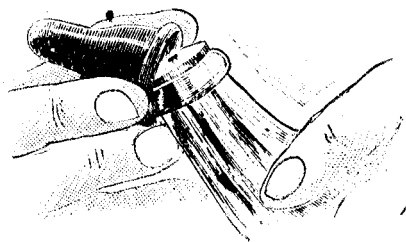
For instance, the "Allenburys'" Food Regulator consists of a round glass disc, having a small hole in the centre.

It is placed, as shown in the illustration, on the top of the neck of the bottle, and the teat then stretched over it in the ordinary manner. The flow of milk is thus controlled, and there is no danger of the child getting the food too quickly, and perhaps choking over it. These useful little Regulators cost only 2d. each.

The "Allenburys'" Teat is also worthy of note. It is perforated in four different ways, *i.e.*, with one hole for use with the "Allenburys'" Milk Food, or milk, and with one, three, or five leech bites for use with foods of varying thickness.

"The "Allenburys'" Thermometer, which may be used for the diverse purposes of testing the temperature of the nursery, the infant's bath, and the infant's food, is supplied in a nickel case for the small sum of 1s.

Many other useful articles are shortly described, and the cost given in each case. A form for an infant's weight chart is also appended, most indispensable in connection with a maternity case.



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