

## THE MATRONS' COUNCIL OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

A meeting of the Matrons' Council of Great Britain and Ireland was held at 431, Oxford Street, London, W., on Wednesday, April 17th, at 3 p.m. Miss Elma Smith, Matron of the Hendon Infirmary, was in the chair, in the regretted absence of the President, Miss M. Heather Bigg, and there was a large attendance of members.

### APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Applications for membership were considered and accepted from—

Miss Florence Haslam, Matron of the Women's Hospital, Castle Gate, Nottingham;

Miss Margaret Beatrice Vickers, Matron of the Bradford Incorporated Nurses' Institution;

Miss Bithia Dudley, Matron of the General Hospital, Loughborough;

Miss Melita Brundret, Matron of the Cottage Hospital, Fleetwood.

### THE TRAINED WOMEN NURSES' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

In connection with the attitude of the Matrons' Council towards the Trained Women Nurses' Friendly Society, it was agreed that the Matrons' Council would do what it could to support the scheme. On the proposition of Miss Waind, seconded by Miss Cutler, it was further agreed that in the event of the National Insurance Act falling through and the Friendly Society not being needed for the purposes of the Act, it should nevertheless still be formed, as it was considered that such a society would be appreciated by many nurses.

### THE COLOGNE CONGRESS.

Miss Mollett then reported progress as to the arrangements for the Cologne Congress, and the names of a number of ladies who had already notified their intention of joining the party of 50 which she is organising.

The party will consist of members of the Matrons' Council and their friends, or ladies introduced by members. The price of a ticket will be £7, which will include second class railway and first class steamer fare to Cologne and back, full hotel accommodation at a good grade hotel for seven days, and the payment of all necessary gratuities. Fifty-six pounds of luggage are allowed to the German frontier, from that point 1s. is charged for every 20 lbs., which must be paid by individual members of the party, according to the weight taken.

Single rooms are not guaranteed, though every effort will be made to secure them, and friends wishing to share a room are requested to notify the Hon. Secretary.

Those intending to join the party are requested to send their names to the Hon. Secretary, Miss Mollett, Rose Cottage, Three Cross, Wimborne, on or before May 15th. A remittance of £2 must accompany all applications, as a deposit has to be

paid to the agent for each member of the party before the end of May. The remainder of the money can be paid either at the same time, or whenever convenient before July 15th. Tickets will be sent to each member of the party on or before July 30th, together with distinctive labels for the luggage. The route will be via Dover and Ostend, and carriages will be reserved for the party from Charing Cross to Dover, and from Ostend to Cologne. Members must be at Charing Cross Station not later than 8.20 a.m. on August 3rd. All members must travel out together, but may return at their individual convenience by the same route at any date within the limit of the ticket, *i.e.*, 26 days.

Tea was served at the conclusion of the meeting.

M. MOLLETT.

Hon. Secretary.

## THE IRISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

Miss E. Hanan has been unanimously appointed Secretary of the Irish Nurses' Association. Miss Hanan was trained at the Meath Hospital, and also holds the Certificate of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses. She starts her duties on May 1st.

Dr. Hastings Tweedy gave an interesting Lecture on "Babies" to the members of the I.N.A. on the 15th. Miss Ramsden, Rotunda Hospital, occupied the chair, and Dr. Tweedy was heartily thanked at the close for his kindness.

Meetings of Provisional Committee for the Nurses' Friendly Society under Insurance Act are held every Wednesday at 8 p.m.

## APPOINTMENTS.

### MATRON.

**Isolation Hospital, Cuddington, Surrey.**—Miss Annie Elizabeth Clack has been appointed Matron. Miss Clack was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Preston, and has held the positions of Charge Nurse at the Park Hospital, Hither Green, Matron of the Worthy Isolation Hospital, Sheffield, Assistant Matron at the Salop Infirmary, Shrewsbury, and Matron of the Borough Isolation Hospital, Crewe.

**The Isolation Hospital, Worcester.**—Miss Nida Glen has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Doncaster, and the Sanatorium, Hull; and has held the position of Charge Nurse, Night Superintendent, and Assistant Matron at the Sanatorium, Hull; and has also held the post of Night Superintendent at the Isolation Hospital, Norwich; and of Matron at the Isolation Hospital, Howden, Yorks; and Matron at the Isolation Hospital, Forest Hall, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

**Borough of Dewsbury.**—In connection with the appointments of Matrons under the Borough of

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