- 2. If the reply is in the affirmative, does the Committee approve of having the Draft Scheme put in proper form by an expert, and sanction the formal enrolment of members?
- 3. Shall the Committee take steps to appoint such officers as are required by law?

In reply to Miss Mollett's questions, the Committee unanimously agreed

- 1. To go forward with the scheme.
- 2. To have the Draft Scheme put in proper form and to proceed with the enrolment of members.
- 3. That the appointment of officers should be deferred until a certain number of members had been enrolled, when a meeting should be called and the officers elected by the members.

The Chairman reported that she had received a letter from Dr. John Macewen, of Glasgow, suggesting the adoption of reciprocal relations between the Friendly Society formed by the Scottish Nurses' Association and the Trained Women Nurses' Friendly Society in this country, through which members could be transferred, on moving, from one to the other.

The Committee agreed to the proposition, and it was decided to reply to Dr. Macewen in this sense.

She also reported that the Irish Nurses' Association had decided to form an Irish Nurses' Friendly Society.

Miss Mollett reported a letter from Mr. N. F. Robarts, Secretary to the South London Branch of the Norwich Union Life Insurance Society, and the reply was agreed upon.

Attention was drawn to the meeting of the "Amend the Act League" to be held in the Savoy Theatre on the 23rd inst. On the proposition of Miss Barton, seconded by Miss Pearse, it was agreed that a delegate be sent to the meeting from the Trained Nurses' Friendly Society Committee, and a delegate was nominated and consented to act.

The Chairman pointed out that "trained" nursing and trained nurses were entirely ignored in the Act, and that, while associations of doctors, midwives, and nearly every important organization of women workers and Unions of industrial workers had nominated representatives on the Advisory Committee appointed under the Act, the nurses' organizations invited to nominate representatives had been excluded from representation, the only nurses appointed on the Committee being two Superintendents of district nurses, who were nominated by the Commissioners, and who did not represent any Society of Trained Nurses.

The meeting then terminated.

FEVER NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

The period during which nurses can be registered by the Fever Nurses' Association will expire on the date of the Annual General Meeting of the Association, viz., May 20th.

Hitherto, a nurse who has worked for a period of two years in any recognised fever hospital, and whose work and conduct have been attested by the matron of the hospital has been eligible for registration. In the case of nurses holding a certificate of three years' general training the period required has been six months.

After May 20th, 1912, the Special Regulations of the Educational Committee will come into force, and the Certificate of the Association will only be obtainable after Examination. The length of fever training required for probationers will be, as before, two years, but for trained nurses one year's fever work will be required, instead of six months as hitherto. Application for membership and registration under the original regulations should be made without delay to one of the Joint Honorary Secretaries, Dr. A. C. Ta'Bois, Clare Hall Isolation Hospital, South Mimms, near Barnet, or Miss Morgan, Northern Hospital, Winchmore Hill, N., from whom an application form can be obtained.

NURSES' SOCIAL UNION.

The Special Meeting called to consider the advisability of changing the title of the Nurses' Social Union was held on Thursday, 25th ult., at 12, Buckingham Street, Strand. Miss Haughton, Matron of Guy's Hospital, Vice-President of the London Branch of the N.S.U., was in the chair. After much discussion it was proposed by Miss Marsters, Superintendent of the Paddington D.N.A., seconded by Miss Clayton, Superintendent of the Kensington D.N.A., that the present name should be retained, and this was carried by a large majority.

HEALTH EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE.

As we have previously reported, the Nurses' Social Union, which is doing such useful practical work amongst nurses and the public, has decided to hold a Health Exhibition and Conference at the Victoria Rooms, Clifton, Bristol, from June 6th to 12th. It is thought that such an exhibition—which will be the first of its kind on a large scale in the West of England—should prove of great practical utility to health workers in the city and adjacent counties. An influential committee has the arrangements in hand, and we are pleased to learn that it has met with a most gratifying response to its invitations of assistance in the provision of lectures, demonstrations and exhibits.

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