

3204. Miss C. M. Turner, cert. Guest Hosp., Dudley.
 3205. Miss S. J. Beaumont, cert. Bradford Union Inf.
 3206. Miss E. Limmer, cert. Lewisham Inf.
 3207. Miss R. E. Clist, cert. Highfield Inf., Liverpool.
 3208. Miss M. M. Whale, cert. The Inf., Reading.
 3209. Miss L. Toft, cert. Fulham Inf.
 3210. Miss T. M. M. Rowse, cert. Warneford Hosp., Leamington.
 3211. Miss S. M. Lightfoot, cert. City of London Inf.
 3212. Miss M. A. Carter, cert. City of London Inf.
 3213. Miss G. E. Campling, cert. London Hosp., E.
 3214. Miss E. Jeffries, cert. North Staffordshire Inf.
 3215. Miss M. Holmes, cert. St. George's Hosp.
 3216. Miss L. W. Stott, cert. St. Bart's Hosp.
 3217. Miss C. E. Todd, cert. Guy's Hosp., *Matron* St. James' Inf., Wandsworth.
 3218. Miss E. L. Tate, cert. Warneford Hosp., Leamington.
 3219. Miss E. K. Bracher, cert. The Inf., Wandsworth.
 3220. Miss S. Dougherty, cert. Roy. Inf., Glasgow.
 3221. Miss H. A. M. Kremer, cert. C.L.S.A., Hendon.
 3222. Miss F. L. Jarvis, cert. St. Bart's Hosp.
 3223. Miss A. A. Brown, cert. Kingston Inf.
 3224. Miss E. Lee, cert. Kingston Inf.
 3225. Miss M. R. Helgesen, cert. Kingston Inf.
 3226. Miss E. Grant, cert. Kingston Inf.
 3227. Miss E. Hughes, cert. Kingston Inf.
 3228. Miss M. T. Marieni, cert. St. Bart's Hosp.
 3229. Miss M. Cookson, cert. Windsor and Eton Inf.

The meeting then terminated.

MARGARET BREAY, *Hon. Secretary.*

STATE REGISTRATION IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

In the House of Commons last week Dr. Chapple, Member for Stirlingshire, asked the Prime Minister whether his attention had been drawn to the deaths of four infants, within a week, in a babies' home in Tooting, where none of the nurses in attendance were qualified, and what steps, if any, he was prepared to take to ensure that protection to the sick which in many other countries was provided by State Registration of Trained Nurses.

Mr. McKenna, who replied, said that the home was a crèche, not an institution for sick children, and the persons described as "nurses" were not sick nurses, but the ordinary attendants on the children. The case was a serious one, but he did not think it had any

direct bearing on the question of the State Registration of Nurses.

The Home Secretary seems to have overlooked the opinion of the medical officer that a home of that kind should have at least one trained nurse. Further, surely a responsible Minister of the Crown should know that it is dangerous to segregate young children in communities, apart from their natural surroundings, without placing them in the charge of a skilled person, who understands the care necessary to keep them healthy, warm, and properly dieted. Certainly the institution was not one for sick children, but four entrusted to it were not only sick, but moribund, within a week. These lives might probably have been saved by trained nursing.

NEW YORK THE EDUCATIONAL CENTRE.

It will surprise no one who knows the Hon. Albinia Brodrick, and the thorough way in which she has prepared herself for the service of the sick poor, especially her poor Irish friends at Ballincoona, that she has gone to New York, to avail herself of the course in Nursing and Health provided at Teachers' College, Columbia University, under the superintendence of Miss M. Adelaide Nutting. A warm welcome is assured to Miss Brodrick in New York, for at the International Nursing Congress in London in 1909 no one made a deeper impression on the Congress and the American delegates, and she cannot fail to be a most acceptable student. Miss Brodrick states her opinion that the nursing profession in America is far ahead of that of the United Kingdom, and she desires to obtain all the knowledge she can get there in order to utilize it for the benefit of her hospital at Ballincoona. New York has now become the nursing educational centre of the world, and the Teachers' College course has attracted nurses from the United Kingdom, Germany, Finland, China, Japan, and other countries. The American Superintendents and nurses have earned this distinction: they founded the Teachers' College course, supported it financially, and gave gratuitous service to make it a success, until Miss Wald, the founder of the Nurses' Settlement, obtained a liberal endowment for it, and now the brightest nursing intellects of the world are gravitating to New York to avail themselves of its advantages. But what of Florence Nightingale's country? Truly the suggestion for an educational memorial to the Founder of modern nursing, to be located in London, is well timed.

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