

THE TRAINED WOMEN NURSES' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

During the past week the whole nursing world has been fussing about the Insurance Act, and to judge from the experience of the officials of the Trained Women Nurses' Friendly Society a few hints will not perhaps come amiss.

1. When forwarding the insurance card see that each compartment is filled with the special sixpenny stamp, or that stamps to the amount of 6s. 6d. are affixed. See that each stamp is dated, and that the card is signed by the contributor, and sent to the office of the Approved Society before the 26th October.
2. Do not forget to stamp the envelope in which it is sent to the office.
3. Do not worry if card No. 2 is not forwarded by return of post—as there is so much clerical work connected with booking, and card inscribing, in compiling the first quarter's lists, that reasonable time must be allowed for the enormous labour entailed by the regulations of the Insurance Act.
4. Don't be disappointed that after paying 3d. a week for thirteen weeks, a life's pension of £1 a week is not immediately forthcoming!

The Committee of Management of the T.W.N.F.S. met on the 9th inst. and there were present Mrs. Fenwick, *President*, Mrs. Paston Brown, *Vice-President*, Mr. T. W. Craig, *Treasurer*, Miss Waind, *Trustee*, Miss Mollett, Miss Cutler, Miss Finch, Miss H. L. Pearse, Miss Elma Smith, Miss Annie Smith, Miss Morgan, Miss Böge, Miss B. Kent, Miss M. Breay, Miss E. Fowler, and Miss O'Brien. A satisfactory report was presented. Miss Mollett having previously notified that owing to distance from London she would be unable to act as Secretary, the Committee learnt with very great

pleasure that Miss G. A. Rogers, late of the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, was prepared to accept the office of Secretary on trial. It was recognised that her appointment would be universally popular with the members, and would encourage many nurses to join a society which could command in their interests her great administrative ability. It was unanimously agreed that arrangements should be made for Miss Rogers to assume office on October 15th, at 431, Oxford Street, W., where the work of the Society will be carried on for the next few months, until it is thoroughly established.



MR. T. W. CRAIG, TREASURER, TRAINED WOMEN NURSES' FRIENDLY SOCIETY.

The Society was started to emphasise the necessity for professional women controlling their own State Insurance and financial affairs—of course, with the best expert advice available, and it is to be hoped that the more intelligent members of the profession will come to realise more and more that they can do so efficiently, and much more economically than financiers, whose business is profit, are prepared to do it for them.

The members of the Society will be glad to become acquainted, through the medium of this paper, with their Treasurer, Mr. T. W. Craig, and we think they are to be congratulated on having secured the services of one who is not only possessed of business acumen, but is keenly interested in nurses and their work, and in all that makes for nursing progress. Mr. Craig is a firm believer in the principle of insurance, and, in regard to the insurance of nurses under the National Insurance Act, he has publicly expressed his belief that the Trained Women Nurses' Friendly Society offers them advantages superior to any other. At the same time, he is strongly of opinion the future of the Society rests largely with the members themselves, and considers that each one who realises the advantage of belonging to the only Society of which the membership is limited to trained hospital and infirmary nurses, or those who are in training, should attract to its ranks other nurses of good standing and health.

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