

similar provision, and we may look forward with confidence to the eventual establishment of a thoroughly satisfactory system of Nurses' Registration throughout the Commonwealth, as the system of voluntary registration now in force could hardly be bettered.

*New Zealand.*—The affiliation of the Trained Nurses' Association of New Zealand to the International Council of Nurses has been the important event of the year.

Miss J. M. Orr, Matron of the Taunton and Somerset Hospital, has been appointed Lady Superintendent of the Auckland Hospital, and under the new system of management it is confidently anticipated that the nursing arrangements of this large hospital will be materially improved.

*South Africa.*—An Order of "King Edward Nurses" has been established as a memorial to the late King, of which the King has become a patron and Queen Mary and Queen Alexandra patronesses.

Miss J. C. Child, an Hon. Vice-President of the International Council of Nurses, attended the Cologne Congress from Basutoland, bringing official reports on registration in United South Africa.

#### ABROAD.

*In the United States of America,* Acts for the State Registration of Trained Nurses have become law in the States of New Jersey, Delaware, Louisiana, Rhode Island, and South Carolina, bringing the number of States in which Registration is in force up to 35.

The name of the American Society of Superintendents of Training Schools for Nurses has been changed to the National League of Nursing Education. The Nurses' National Associated Alumnae has become the American Nurses' Association, to which the Superintendents' and other important Societies are affiliated.

*In Germany.*—In Germany the splendid vitality of the German Nurses' Association and its President, Sister Agnes Karll, was demonstrated by the organization of the International Congress at Cologne, which has received worldwide recognition.

The future of German nursing can well be left in the capable hands of the earnest and highly educated women who are moulding its future.

*In France.*—In Paris the Nursing School of the Assistance Publique is making steady progress. From the first the School has been encouraged to take an international interest in nursing matters, and Mlle. Clément, the Matron, and other representatives attended the Cologne Congress, and Mlle. Danviray,

recently the Dinner to Mrs. Bedford Fenwick in London.

For our colleagues in Bordeaux the year has been a sorrowful one owing to the death of Dr. Lande and the illness of Dr. Hamilton, whose pioneer work is now bearing fruit in the demand for the pupils of the Bordeaux Schools for positions as Matrons and Sisters in many French towns.

*In Belgium.*—In Belgium, both in connection with the new School in Brussels and elsewhere, progress has been notable.

*In Italy.*—In Italy the Nursing School at the Gesù e Maria Hospital, Naples, so ably superintended by Miss Grace Baxter, now numbers amongst its graduates four Directrices and eleven head nurses in hospitals and Government clinics.

The Nursing School at the Policlinico Hospital, Rome, under the able guidance of Miss Dorothy Snell and Miss M. A. Turton, has made phenomenal progress, and the certificates of the first graduates and a medal designed by herself have been presented to them by Queen Elena.

At Milan, Spezia, and elsewhere nursing schools on modern lines are also being organized.

*In Holland* the Dutch Nurses' Association has now a central headquarters in Amsterdam. It is contending with the same difficulties as the intelligent minority in other countries who appeal for State recognition.

*In Denmark,* Danish nurses are still working to obtain legal status, and progress is being made, though slowly.

*In Finland* the nurses, who, in common with their compatriots, are passing through troublous times have the sympathy of the nurses of the world.

*In Norway* the nurses have organized their National Association, with Miss Bergljot Larsson as President, and have founded a magazine.

*In Sweden,* Parliament has appointed a special Committee to enquire into the condition of Swedish nursing, of which Miss Emmie Lindhagen is a member.

#### IN CONCLUSION.

In all these countries nursing is in a most hopeful condition, and there is a wonderful awakening, and nowhere has the demand of nurses for legislation in regard to their profession met with such lack of justice as in Great Britain. Nowhere, however, has the attempt to suppress it met with such determined resistance, and there is no doubt that before long justice will have to be done.

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