

Register of Trained Nurses will be published in December next for 1891.

It may be remembered that at the last Annual Meeting the following programme of work for the past year was suggested:—(1) The commencement of Registration; (2) The formation of a Benevolent Fund; (3) The establishment of the Holiday House scheme. The Council has shown how the first and chief work of the Association has been successfully commenced. The Benevolent Fund has now been organised, and only the final details remain to be settled. It is proposed to give two Pensions of £20 a year each—to be called the Princess Helena Pensions—to Members of the Association who are past work and in necessity, and, as funds allow, gradually to increase the number of these Pensions in future years. It is also intended to set apart each year a certain sum to be expended in loans, or free gifts, to Members who are in urgent need of temporary assistance, from causes beyond their own control. Finally, in response to the wish of many Members for the foundation of a Holiday House, and seeing that the Council were already overburdened with the organisation of the Registration and Benevolent schemes, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick formed an independent Committee, and Her Royal Highness, our President, according it at once her invaluable assistance, a Convalescent and Holiday Fund for Nurses was founded. The scheme has obtained considerable support already, and Her Majesty the Queen has been graciously pleased to subscribe liberally to the Fund in token of her interest in it. A house will shortly be purchased in Brighton, a Home opened which will, it is hoped, be of the greatest benefit to Nurses. The Council is therefore enabled to come before this Meeting with its entire programme—ambitious as it seemed last year—in every respect fulfilled. In various minor ways the Association has advanced its area of work during the past year. A Reading Room has been opened at the offices, which it is hoped will prove increasingly useful to members as time goes on. The six Sessional Meetings were held at 20, Hanover Square, through the winter, and were well attended. The *Conversazione* took place at Princes' Hall. There were more than eight hundred Members and their friends present, and this time the expenses were entirely covered by the sale of visitors' cards.

The General Council considers that the next year should be devoted to consolidating the advances hitherto made; and therefore it only proposes to commence this year the issue of a Quarterly Journal, instead of the Annual Report, and not to undertake any other new scheme. It considers that in every way the Association can

congratulate itself upon the great success which has attended its efforts in every direction, and that by steady persistence in its present course of action an even greater measure of success may be confidently expected in the future.

BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1890.

Dr.	£	s.	d.
To Balance brought forward June 30, 1889 ...	173	14	4
„ Donations	204	19	6
„ 3 Life Subscriptions at £5 5s. ...	£15	15	0
„ 111 „ „ at £1 1s. ...	116	11	0
		132	6
„ 1,687 Annual Subscriptions at 2/6 ...	210	17	6
„ 170 „ „ at 10/6 ...	89	5	0
		300	2
„ Dividends on Investments (less Income Tax) ...	33	3	0
„ Sale of, and Advertisements in, First Annual Report	87	15	3
„ Sale of Cards for Meetings	2	5	0
„ Receipts from <i>Conversazione</i>	107	15	0
		£1,102	0
		£	s.
Cr.			d.
By Printing, Stationery, Postage, &c.	321	5	0
„ Salaries	186	13	4
„ Office Furniture	35	4	6
„ Office Expenses, including Rent, Rates and Taxes	£103	1	5
Less received for Sub-Rent	21	13	4
		81	8
„ Expenses of Mansion House, Annual, Evening, and General Council Meetings	44	17	6
„ Expenses of <i>Conversazione</i>	107	11	0
„ Travelling Expenses	6	15	7
„ Investment (at cost) £150 New Zealand 4 p.c. Inscribed Stock	159	8	0
„ Balance Carried Down	153	17	7
		£1,102	0

SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

	£	s.	d.
£350 New Zealand 4 p.c. Inscribed Stock, per Account of June 30, 1889	350	18	0
£150 New Zealand 4 p.c. Inscribed Stock, per Account of June 30, 1890	159	8	0
£400 Egyptian Preference 5 p.c. Stock, per Account of June 30, 1889	416	10	6
		£926	16

We have examined the foregoing accounts, with the counterfoils, receipt-books and vouchers, and certify to its accuracy. We have also verified the bank balance and investments.

F. H. WALLER (pro Robert Barclay, Esq., Treasurer), } Auditors.
F. HARDY, Chartered Accountant, }

London, July 8, 1890.

DR. BEDFORD FENWICK then formally moved that the Report and Statement of Accounts be adopted, entered on the Minutes, and printed and circulated amongst the Members.

MISS OLDHAM, Matron of the Shrewsbury Infirmary, seconded the motion, and it was unanimously agreed to.

MISS WOOD: Before proposing the next resolution, I wish to say a few words to the Members;

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