

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF TRAINED NURSES.

We have great pleasure in announcing that Miss Mollett will this year deliver the Isla Stewart Oration at the close of the Annual Meeting of the National Council of Trained Nurses on November 27th, and has chosen as her subject "The Power of Example," which will specially lend itself to the occasion.

It has been found impossible to compress the business of the Annual Meeting into one session as proposed, so that the morning meeting will open at 11 a.m. and close at 1. The afternoon meeting will be held from 2.30 to 4.30, and Miss Mollett will speak the Oration at 5.30 p.m. At the business meeting and conference the chair will be taken by the President, Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and it is hoped to have one of Miss Isla Stewart's own nurses to preside during the Oration.

The sequence of business will be as follows: Presentation of the Annual Report by the Hon. Secretary; business arising out of the Report. A draft letter from Miss L. L. Dock, Hon. Secretary of the International Council, on the scheme for a nurses' international memorial to Miss Nightingale, will be considered. A discussion on the preliminary plans for the meeting of the International Council of Nurses at San Francisco in 1915 will take place, and any resolutions on the Agenda will be considered. In this connection, as the International Council of Nurses, at its meeting in London in 1909, was the first body to require that the question of Venereal Diseases should be seriously considered, to save suffering and for the benefit of the national health, a resolution expressing the gratification of the National Council at the appointment of a Royal Commission by the Government will be offered.

Short Papers to open discussions on the following questions will be read:—

1. The New Poor Law Nursing Order.
2. The London County Council and the Licensing of Nursing Homes.
3. The Nursing of the Insured Sick.
4. The Status of the Trained Nurse in the British Red Cross Society.

The Hon. Secretary will be pleased to hear from the Hon. Secretaries of any of the affiliated Societies and Leagues if their Society wishes to place any resolution on the Agenda, or to have any special subject discussed. Such notices must reach her not later than Wednesday, November 12th.

Members of affiliated societies desiring to be present at the meetings will facilitate the

arrangements if they will apply for tickets on or after November 15th.

Luncheon has been arranged for the Honorary Officers of the National Council, and of the affiliated societies, who will attend the meeting from the country, and if those who can accept hospitality will notify that they can do so to the Hon. Secretary, she will allocate the guests to their various hostesses.

Tea will be arranged at the Medical Society's Rooms, 11, Chandos Street, Cavendish Square, W., where the meeting will be held, at from 4.30 to 5.30, for which tickets, price 6d., will be on sale.

All communications should be sent to the Hon. Secretary, N.C.T.N., 431, Oxford Street, London, W.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A meeting of the Executive Committee was held at 431, Oxford Street, London, W., on Thursday, October 23rd. Mrs. Bedford Fenwick presided.

The Hon. Secretary presented a report drawing attention to the new Nurses' Registration Act passed in Florida, U.S.A.; to the fact that the Graduate Nurses' Association of British Columbia had drafted a Nurses' Registration Bill; and that the Royal Victorian Trained Nurses' Association in Australia had also drafted a Bill, which it was expected would be passed at an early date. She also reported the Resolution passed by the Annual Conference of the Yorkshire Poor Law Boards recently held at Scarborough in support of registration of nurses, on the lines laid down in Mr. Munro Ferguson's Bill, and the business transacted at the Executive Committee of the Central Society for State Registration of Trained Nurses, to which the Society is affiliated. The report was adopted, and the committee agreed to support all the recommendations of the Central Executive for furthering the cause of nurses' registration.

A large number of letters were read, amongst them an acknowledgment from the Secretary of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London of the Resolution passed unanimously at the Annual Meeting in July, and stating it would be brought before the first meeting of the General Council of the Fund in December.

A lengthy correspondence was also read from the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the London Hospital, in reference to the Resolution passed at the Annual Meeting on the practice

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