

preparation and administration of enemas—soap, turpentine, and starch—hot air and vapour baths and hot and cold packs.

#### SECOND YEAR.

Fifteen lectures on Anatomy, Physiology and Bacteriology are given by an Assistant Physician, an Assistant Surgeon, and a Casualty Assistant Physician, or a Surgical Casualty Officer.

Four lectures on Obstetric and Gynaecological Nursing by the Assistant Obstetric Officer; the Aural Surgeon and Laryngologist lectures on the Nursing of Ear and Throat Cases, and the Resident Surgical Officer on the Nursing of Eye Cases.

#### THIRD YEAR.

Very comprehensive lectures on medical nursing are given by an Assistant Physician, and on Surgical Nursing by an Assistant Surgeon.

*Tutorial Classes* are also taken by the Home Sister after each lecture of the third year course, to supervise the notes taken by the nurses, and to see that the lectures have been properly understood.

#### SCHOOL OF MASSAGE.

The hospital has also a School of Massage, Swedish Remedial Exercises, and Electrical Treatment under a qualified and certificated teacher, the fee for tuition being £21 for a term of six months. Pupils are expected to enter for the examinations of the Incorporated Society of Trained Masseuses, and to bear the expense of their own examination. Ionic Medication, if taught, requires a further month, for which a fee of £3 10s. is charged; and Swedish Remedial Exercises, other than those used daily in conjunction with massage, require an additional six months' course after the massage certificate has been obtained.

A few resident pupils can be received, the fees for trained nurses for board, lodging, and the usual amount of washing, being £13 for the term of 26 weeks. Daily pupils may dine at the nurses' table on payment of £5 per term of six months.

It will thus be seen that the advantages offered by the hospital are many, and pupils who receive their training there are to be congratulated.

### INTERNATIONAL NEWS.

The arrangements for the Meeting of the International Council of Nurses, and Nursing Congress and Exhibition, to be held at San Francisco in June, 1915, are in a wonderfully forward state on the other side of the Atlantic. As this JOURNAL is the organ of the International Council in the United Kingdom, all official news will be found from time to time in its columns. Nurses should make a point of acquainting themselves with the progress of their work in all parts of the world. THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING tries to keep them well informed in this particular.

## THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF TRAINED NURSES.

### CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION AT BIRMINGHAM.

*Hon. President:* MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK, President, National Council Trained Nurses.

*President:* MISS E. M. MUSSON, President, General Hospital Birmingham Nurses' League.

The Second Annual Conference and Exhibition of the National Council of Trained Nurses, to be held in the New Central Hall, Corporation Street, Birmingham, from June 9th to 12th, promises to be a great success, and the profession at large owes a debt of gratitude to the General Hospital Birmingham Nurses' League for the great amount of work its President, Miss Musson, and many of the members have contributed to secure it. The official Programme of the Conference includes as Vice-Presidents the Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress of Birmingham, the Lord Bishop and the Rector of Birmingham, Sir John Holder, Bart., Chairman, General Hospital, Birmingham; Mr. Gilbert Barling, F.R.C.S., Vice-Chancellor of Birmingham University; the Presidents of Societies and Leagues affiliated to form the National Council; Miss Haldane, LL.D., Vice-Chairman Advisory Council, Territorial Force Nursing Service; Miss M. Huxley, Past-President Irish Nurses' Association; Miss Gill, Lady Superintendent, Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh; Mrs. Strong, President Scottish Matrons' Association; and all the leading medical men and Matrons and Superintendents of Nursing in Birmingham and the district, many of whom are taking a most kind personal interest in the organization of the Conference and Exhibition.

The following ladies constitute the various Committees:—

#### COMMITTEE FOR CONFERENCE:

The General Hospital Birmingham Nurses' League Committee, with Hon. Officers of National Council Trained Nurses.

*Exhibition Sub-Committee.*—Miss Ashford, Miss Bodley, Miss Hadley, Miss Lloyd (Hon. Sec.), Miss Hilda Morgan.

*Hospitality Sub-Committee.*—Mrs. Barling, Mrs. Bartleet, Mrs. Bolddicker (Hon. Sec.), Mrs. Haslam, Mrs. Rickards.

*Entertainments Sub-Committee.*—Miss Buckingham, Miss de Chastelain, Miss MacFarlane, Mrs. Lavery, Miss Marriott, Mr. Howard J. Collins.

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