

LEAGUE NEWS.

THE LEAGUE OF ST. JOHN'S HOUSE NURSES.

There was a good attendance of members at the general meeting of the League of St. John's House Nurses, held at 12, Queen's Square, Bloomsbury, W.C., on Thursday, May 27th. The President was in the chair. Seven applications for membership were considered, and accepted.

It was unanimously resolved to send a resolution to the Secretary of State for War respectfully drawing attention to the fact that the rate of remuneration for trained nurses engaged under the authority of the Joint War Committee to care for sick and wounded soldiers—*i.e.*, £1 1s. per week—is just half the fee ordinarily earned by nurses in private practice. That it is economically unsound for a State Department to reduce the earning capacity of a section of skilled women workers, and that the present alleged shortage, if it exists, can not be accurately gauged, unless the military authorities are prepared to offer private nurses the fees they ordinarily command. The Resolution also drew attention to the value of a State Register of Nurses.

As no social gathering has been held since the outbreak of war, it was decided to send the money which would ordinarily have been expended to St. Dunstan's Lodge, Regent's Park, for the benefit of the soldiers there who have been blinded in the War. After the meeting tea was served to the members present. Previously the Sister Superior was asked to accept a purse of £10 as a small token of love, and of recognition of her services to the House from the nurses who have worked for St. John's during the time she has held that office.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD.

EXAMINATION OF NURSES IN SCOTLAND.

On 4th May and subsequent days, the Local Government Board for Scotland held an examination for the certification of trained sick nurses and of trained fever nurses. The examination was held at Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee and Aberdeen. The examiners were Dr. Templeman, Medical Officer of Health, Dundee; Professor Glaister, The University, Glasgow; Dr. John Gordon, Aberdeen; and Dr. Richard, Medical Officer of Govan Poorhouse, who were assisted in the practical part of the examination by Miss Merchant, Matron of the Eastern District Hospital, Glasgow, and by Miss Clark, Matron of King's Cross Hospital, Dundee.

The subjects of examination were Elementary Anatomy and Physiology; Hygiene and Dietetics; Medical and Surgical Nursing; Midwifery (for Poor Law and General trained nurses); and Infectious Diseases (for Fever trained nurses only). In all 439 candidates presented themselves for examination. Of these, 213 were examined in

Anatomy and Physiology; 206 in Hygiene and Dietetics; 36 in Medical and Surgical Nursing (for Poor Law and General trained nurses); 116 in Medical and Surgical Nursing (for Fever trained nurses); 59 in Midwifery; and 114 in Infectious Diseases.

In *Anatomy and Physiology*, 25 nurses obtained distinction, 142 obtained a simple pass, and 46 failed.

In *Hygiene and Dietetics*, 13 nurses obtained distinction, 154 obtained a simple pass, and 39 failed.

In *Medical and Surgical Nursing* (for Poor Law and General trained nurses), 4 nurses obtained distinction, 31 obtained a simple pass, and 1 failed.

In *Medical and Surgical Nursing* (for Fever trained nurses), 5 nurses obtained distinction, 104 obtained a simple pass, and 7 failed.

In *Midwifery*, 4 nurses obtained distinction, 51 obtained a simple pass, and 4 failed.

In *Infectious Diseases*, 21 nurses obtained distinction, 89 obtained a simple pass, and 4 failed.

The following candidates have now completed the examination and are entitled to the certificate of efficiency granted by the Local Government Board:—

CERTIFICATE IN GENERAL TRAINING.

Misses M. S. Allison, A. Anderson, S. R. Angus, S. F. Curran, M. T. Ford, C. Fraser, S. J. Gray, S. Haig, J. Harkins, N. M. Highet, M. Hutchinson, J. D. Hutton, E. S. Loraine, E. Lovie, E. R. Mallen, M. J. Methven, S. B. Murray, C. MacCallum, M. C. McCreath, C. I. MacGillivray, J. McGregor, J. B. McKay, E. McVicar, M. Nisbet, N. O'Sullivan, J. P. Scott, M. Symington, H. C. Thompson, M. E. Watson, A. C. Wilson, L. Paul, M. A. Howe, I. H. Moore, M. Macphail, M. McBeath, E. Turner.

CERTIFICATE IN FEVER TRAINING.

Misses K. Addison, C. Anderson, C. J. W. Anderson, A. D. Banks, M. Baxter, B. F. Bedford, A. H. Bell, M. M. Black, J. G. Blease, M. N. Brown, L. M. Campbell, B. Cooper, W. M. Cooper, M. P. Coutts, M. M. Craig, M. B. Craig, C. R. Currie, J. Davidson, M. B. Davidson, E. Dawson, R. A. Eyers, I. C. Ferguson, A. M. Findlay, M. Forrest, S. H. Gallacher, W. Garrow, M. I. A. Gibson, C. B. Glen, B. J. Gordon, J. F. D. Graham, H. D. L. Gunn, E. Guthrie, A. C. Hamilton, J. G. Hay, C. J. B. Inkster, J. M. James, C. M. Johnston, S. A. Johnston, M. L. Johnstone, J. G. Lamb, C. Lees, C. L. Lofthouse, A. Maxwell, L. M. Merrilees, M. Millar, A. Moreland, M. Mowat, S. M. M. McCabe, J. R. McGibbon, M. M. McGregor, C. I. MacKay, W. Mackenzie, H. M. H. McKerchar, M. M. B. McNab, A. B. Newlands, B. A. Noble, M. P. O'Neill, M. M. Peebles, A. M. Prentice, M. C. Pringle, E. L. Robertson, S. M. Shea, E. N. Shiach, L. E. Sinclair, H. Smith, L. Smith, E. B. Stalker, I. T. L. Stewart, A. Taylor, C. Wilson, E. Wilson, M. Wilson, J. J. Wood, E. K. F. Davidson, N. D. Frame, M. K.

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