

*Sheffield. Jessop Hospital.*—M. A. Harrison, E. B. Keyworth, M. M. Maxwell, A. Smallwood.

*Shorncliffe. Helena Hospital.*—A. C. M. Kavanagh, E. E. Riches.

*Wolverhampton District Nurses' Home.*—C. P. Smith.

*Worcester County Nursing Association.*—F. F. Cammack, J. H. Eastman, R. E. Holt.

*York Maternity Hospital.*—B. L. M. Boddington, L. S. Harris.

#### WALES.

*Cardiff Q.V.J.N.I.*—E. C. Griffiths, E. Tatham, M. Thomas.

#### SCOTLAND.

*Aberdeen Maternity Hospital.*—E. A. A. Spark.  
*Dundee Maternity Hospital.*—F. L. Ockelford, E. C. Pearce.

*Edinburgh Royal Maternity Hospital.*—L. R. Gray.

#### IRELAND.

*Belfast Incorporated Maternity Hospital.*—E. Sinclair.

#### PRIVATE TUITION.

M. A. Booth, M. H. Brown, L. M. E. Charlton, M. Connell, G. Davis, P. E. Z. Drake, M. J. Edwards, H. M. Ewan, H. D. Gray, E. Harris, E. E. G. Hart, E. Jenkins, E. A. Jenkins, H. M. Johnson, N. B. A. Jones, J. M. McKirdy, N. L. Marsden, M. E. Maudesley, F. E. Miles, E. A. Moss, E. A. Murphy, M. Nisbet, E. Powell, B. Rice, H. E. Richards, G. Stone, C. E. Suffield, M. M. Thomas, A. H. Townsend, A. Trimble, M. L. R. Tucker, J. Walters, J. Barton.

#### PRIVATE TUITION AND INSTITUTIONS.

*General Lying-in Hospital.*—R. E. Abraham, L. Andrews, E. Oram, V. Scriven, R. P. Thompson.  
*Kensington Union Infirmary.*—G. W. Aston, G. A. Dobson, E. R. Ellis, M. Jones, B. H. J. Mulch, G. L. Page.  
*Liverpool Maternity Hospital.*—S. Case.  
*Manchester, St. Mary's Hospitals.*—J. Rigby.  
*Maternity Nursing Association.*—M. E. Hanley.  
*New Hospital for Women.*—A. Waters.  
*Nottingham Workhouse Infirmary.*—M. Palmer.  
*Monmouthshire Nursing Association.*—E. M. Anstee.  
*Kingswood Nurses' Home.*—C. W. Baker, E. Biggs, I. M. E. Wells.

#### THE NEXT EXAMINATION.

The next examination of the Central Midwives Board will be held in London, Birmingham, Bristol, Leeds, Manchester, and Newcastle-on-Tyne on October 25th next, and the subsequent one in London, Birmingham, Bristol and Liverpool on December 15th. The Oral Examination follows a few days later in each case.

The Examination is now held alternately in Manchester and Liverpool. Thus the examinations after October will be in Liverpool on December 15th, 1915, April 10th, and August 2nd, 1916, and in Manchester on February 15th and June 19th, 1915.

#### THE WASTE OF INFANT LIFE.

The present season of the year is always one in which the line of infant mortality takes an upward curve. This year it is accompanied by a steady decline in the birth-rate, which is disquieting when we consider the ravages made by the war and the necessity for preserving every life whether of future men, or of the mothers of future men.

And setting aside statistics, and the nation's needs, midwives will consider also the rights of the individual child. For the babies whom they receive, care for and place in their mothers' arms will not range themselves in rows of statistics but as individual, appealing human atoms, claiming that they shall have the opportunity of fulfilling their destiny. That is what the babies mean to the true midwife, and she puts forth all the powers of which she is capable to help them to do so.

The birthright of every child who comes into the world is health and happiness, and we are very far from that ideal, but probably no classes have helped to bring it about more than the midwives and trained nurses of this country, and we may hope that when the effect of the Notification of Births Amendment Act begins to be felt that we shall get appreciably nearer this ideal, as the babies under school age, and their mothers, come under the influence of skilled workers.

#### THE DUBLIN MATERNITY HOSPITALS.

In their annual report on those Dublin Hospitals which receive grants from Parliament, the Board of Superintendence specially report as follows:—

##### ROTUNDA LYING-IN HOSPITAL.

The lying-in hospitals of Dublin are famous all the world over. There is now established in them an excellent routine which works with the most admirable results. Cleanliness and method are not strong points in Ireland, but in our lying-in hospitals they reign supreme. When one considers the number of students and midwives which these institutions train and turn out annually, one can appreciate how much the country owes them. At our inspection every corner of this hospital was found clean. In every ward were clean and happy mothers and babies.

##### THE COOMBE LYING-IN HOSPITAL.

What we have said of the method and cleanliness and the good work, professional and educational, of the Rotunda Hospital applies equally to this. It has advanced by leaps and bounds during the last seven or eight years. It wanted money, and somehow it got it—not all it desires and deserves—through the agency of those connected with it. Our inspection, which was very complete, showed us everything in good order and working smoothly. We have only two words to say to those connected with it—"Go on."

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