

salient features of the scheme, and read expressions of opinion by telegram and letter.

She said:—The following telegram is of vital importance at this crisis of our imperial history:

RECIPROCITY WITH THE COLONIES.

"Serious reason against voluntary scheme; extinction of reciprocity with Colonies.—Holgate,

record my adherence to the principles, we have been working for for so many years—a definite standard of education protected by legal authority. At the same time, I do earnestly hope that since those who have so strenuously opposed State Registration are at last alive to the urgent necessity of some steps being taken to reorganise the nursing profession, that some way may be found by which co-operation between the two parties may be agreed on."

Mrs. Fenwick said everyone present would second this expression of opinion.

Miss Hulme, Hon. Secretary Matrons' Council, wrote: "I deeply regret that my work here will prevent me from attending the meeting of the National Council of Nurses. I want you to know that I *emphatically support* the Resolutions on the Agenda, and I hope that all believers in State Registration will muster in full force on the occasion. Hoping the meeting will be resolute, enthusiastic and successful."

Miss G. A. Rogers, President of the Royal Infirmary, Leicester, Nurses' League, wrote that it was with real regret indisposition prevented her attending the meeting; "the subject is one of the utmost importance to the nursing profession and I wish I could come and record my vote in favour of legal registration."

FROM SCOTLAND.

Mrs. Strong, for so many years the leader in nursing education in Scotland as Matron of the Royal Infirmary, Glasgow, and President of the Scottish Nurses' Association had expressed the opinion that "A very strong protest is needed against introducing any further complications into



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New Zealand, Registered Nurse, Examiner State Registration."

Miss Cox-Davies, President of the Leagues of St. Bartholomew's, and Royal Free Hospital Nurses, wrote: "I am very sorry not to be at the meeting this afternoon. . . . I should like to

our nursing politics, chaos abounds as it is, and a Voluntary College would be one more difficulty to contend against. Nothing less than a State-controlled curriculum, with its attendant examinations to qualify for a Diploma will suffice."

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