

CERTIFICATION OF SCOTTISH NURSES.

On 7th November and subsequent days, the Local Government Board held an examination for the certification of trained sick nurses and of trained fever nurses. Two hundred and forty-seven candidates presented themselves for examination. The examination was held at Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee, and Aberdeen. The examiners were Professor Glaister, The University, Glasgow; Dr. Chalmers, Medical Officer of Health, 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 Clark, Matron of King's Cross Hospital, Dundee; and by Miss Campbell, Matron of the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow. The subjects were—Elementary Anatomy and Physiology; Hygiene and Dietetics; Medical and Surgical Nursing; Midwifery (for Poor Law and General Trained Nurses only); and Infectious Diseases (for Fever Trained Nurses only). 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.—Winifred M. S. Anderson, Aileen M. Beecher, Gertrude Birney, Catherine Bruce, Rebecca M. Cameron, Julietta G. Coltart, Gretta Dower, Mary Eggie, Sara K. Fallow, Anna B. Fletcher, Nora Flynn, Mary Kinnaird, Christina C. Lawson, Winifred E. Le Couteur, Alexina Martin, Margaret MacColl, Eveleen D. M'Ghee, Mary Mackay, Edith Neale, Jane G. Neil, Nora O'Gorman, Daisy O'Halloran, Jessie A. Pirie, Helen J. Randall, Annie D. Ross, Mary M. Sayers, Alice Scott, Annie F. B. C. Smith, Isabelle Smith, Henrietta Stewart, Janet S. B. Urquhart, Jean C. White, Jenny W. Wright, Alice Harris, Elizabeth R. Sinclair, Agnes Wightman, Annabella Craig, Mary L. W. Hall, Grace B. Smart, Madelenie J. Butter, Margaret Cumming.

Certificate in Fever Training.—Nelly Bird, Catherine R. Carmichael, Catherine Johnston, Emma J. Lascelles, Lily Martin, Jean M. M'Caull, Christian M'Combie, Elsie Robertson, Catherine R. Stephen, Annie M. Whyte, Mary M. Bain, Alice M. Calder, Margaret H. Davison, Margaret Drummond, Georgina Edward, Margaret S. Falconer, Bessy A. Inglis, Harriet W. Jeffrey, Janet T. Jolly, Marie F. Lawrence, Margaret H. Muir, Jean H. Myles, Jessie Mackay, Edith M'Phee, Marie J. Watt, Minnie M. Boyd, Margaret G. K. Alexander, Dorothea S. Matthews, Anna E. B. Reid, Hannah Robertson, Lily Sim, Alice Wheatley.

PRESENTATION.

Nurse Burrell, who has held the position of Queen's Nurse at Stonehaven, and has now resigned, has been presented by Provost Greig, and Mr. Hamilton, hon. treasurer of the Nursing Association, with a sum of money subscribed as a token of the high esteem in which she is held by the community.

LEAGUE OF ST. JOHN'S HOUSE NURSES.

A General Meeting of the League of St. John's House Nurses was held at St. John's House, 12, Queen Square, on November 22nd, at 3.0 p.m. The President, the Sister Superior, was in the chair.

The President was unanimously returned to office; Miss M. Breay, appointed Vice-President, and Miss A. Seignior, Hon. Secretary.

The following members were elected to serve on the Executive Committee for the ensuing year:—Miss L. Baker, Miss M. Burr, Miss E. E. Chaplin, Miss A. E. Davis, Miss E. Frisby, Miss S. Masters, Miss M. A. Price, Miss M. Richardson, Miss K. Walker, Miss F. Waugh.

Miss H. Hawkins was appointed a delegate of the League on the National Council of Trained Nurses.

Miss Seignior read an interesting paper on the National Mission; and then, after an interval for tea, a short service was held in the chapel, when an address was given by the Rev. E. F. Russell. It was, he said, an innovation, and at St. John's House they were not fond of innovations. They met to discuss their professional affairs and for social intercourse, and it was well that they also should meet in the chapel—the ark which they had carried with them, which had been taken down and rebuilt stone for stone, and which for many of them had sacred memories.

A POPULAR CLUB.

The Homes and Residential Clubs for Nurses are legion. One of those which steadily holds its own in the favour of nurses and attracts an increasing clientèle, is the Kensington Gardens Nurses' Club, 56 and 57, Kensington Gardens Square, W. Some of the reasons no doubt being that the charges are extremely moderate, the Principal (Miss Bertha Cave) makes the comfort of her guests her personal concern, and also sets an example of courtesy which is reflected in the domestic staff.

EXTRA QUALIFICATIONS.

A qualification in massage is desired by most nurses. At the Manchester Training College of Massage, Electricity and Swedish Remedial Exercises, 15, Piccadilly, Manchester, established in 1900, candidates are prepared by certificated teachers for the examinations of the National Association of Trained Masseuse and Masseurs, Ltd., in a six months' course. The Principal is Mrs. French, of whom a correspondent writes, "She has for thirty years been the leader in massage for Manchester, and to her we owe the advance of massage in Lancashire."

A course in dispensing is valuable for all trained nurses, and especially for those who contemplate working in cottage hospitals where a knowledge of dispensing is often a condition of appointment. At the Westminster College for Lady Dispensers, 112, St. George's Road, Southwark, of which the Secretary is Mr. J. E. Walden, nurses can be trained in this special branch.

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