

# The Midwife.

## CENTRAL MIDWIVES' BOARD FOR SCOTLAND.

The portrait of Miss Alice H. Turnbull, Superintendent of the Deaconess Hospital, Edinburgh, who has been appointed on to the Central Midwives' Board for Scotland by the Lord President of the Council, will be of great interest to midwives.

Miss Turnbull, who is keenly interested in midwifery and all that concerns midwives, has had a varied nursing experience extending over twenty years. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, where she subsequently held the position of Sister for four years. She also had six months' training at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children, Edinburgh, and midwifery training at Queen Charlotte's Hospital, London, from which institution she entered for the examination of the Central Midwives' Board, and was placed on its Roll as a certified midwife. Subsequently she did district midwifery work in connection with the Deaconess' Hospital, Edinburgh, and was then appointed Sister Midwife of Labour Wards at Queen Charlotte Hospital, London. She was later appointed Sister-in-Charge of the Cottage Hospital, Swanage, to which country midwifery work is attached. She was then appointed Matron of the Canning Town Women's Settlement Hospital at Plaistow for Women and Children, where she worked for over five years, returning to Edinburgh as Superintendent of the Deaconess Hospital, in that city two years ago. Miss Turnbull and her colleague, Miss Scrimgeour, hope through the Midwives' Association recently formed to be directly in touch with most midwives in Scotland.

## THE REVISED RULES OF THE C.M.B.

The revised rules of the Central Midwives Board may now be obtained from Eyre and Spottiswoode, price 6d.

The Midwives Act Committee of the London County Council propose to send to each practising midwife in the Administrative County of London a copy of the new rules of the Central Midwives Board, which came into operation on July 1st.

## LONDON MOTHERCRAFT COMPETITIONS.

The London Mothercraft Competitions, arranged by the Association of Infant Welfare and Maternity Centres, 4, Tavistock Square, W.C., were held on July 15th, 1916, at the Cosway Street Infant Schools, Edgware Road, W. No more national and important work can be done than that which is carried out at the various Schools for Mothers throughout the country, and they are now becoming so well known that they need no introduction. Saturday last was an afternoon of real

pleasure to workers, mothers and spectators. We may even include the babies, who really seemed to enter into the spirit of the thing and contributed their share towards success by being of most exemplary behaviour. Dr. Eric Pritchard attributed this to the influence of the schools. At some of the earlier competitions, he said, it had been impossible to make himself heard, whereas on Saturday last the babies seemed to understand the bell for silence, and only gurgles and crows of delight were heard from the crowded room where babies of all sorts and kinds, and of all ages, were gathered together. They certainly were a sight that did credit to London mothers; very few of them got up for show, but one and all bearing the impress of careful, intelligent nurture.



MISS A. H. TURNBULL,  
MEMBER SCOTTISH MIDWIVES BOARD.

At the stroke of three o'clock the anxious competitors in the laundry and cookery department fell to with a will, and most admirable were their method and skill in the crafts. In the laundry department the judge was reminding them that she should take into account economy as well as method and finish. The set of infants' clothes were in every case deserving of great praise when, having gone through the various stages, they were folded with extreme precision and awaited judgment.

Above, in the cookery competition, it was really marvellous to see the results that can be obtained for one-and-sixpence, which sum had to provide a dinner for four persons—father, mother, and two children.

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