

SOCIETY FOR STATE REGISTRATION OF TRAINED NURSES.

A Meeting of the Executive Committee of the above Society will be held at the Offices, 431, Oxford Street, W., on Thursday, May 3rd, at 5 p.m., to arrange the Agenda for the Annual Meeting—by which date nominations for the Executive Committee must reach the Hon. Secretary, Miss M. Breay.

THE GUY'S HOSPITAL NURSES' LEAGUE.

The Annual Dinner of the Guy's Hospital Nurses' League took place in the beautiful dining hall in the Nurses' Home at the Hospital on Friday, April 20th, at 7 p.m. The Matron, Miss Margaret Hogg, presided, and was supported by Miss Swift, R.R.C., and many other past and present members of the nursing staff, although owing to the number of nurses engaged in war work, and the difficulty and expense of railway travelling, the meeting was smaller than usual.

When the members were assembled for dinner the following telegram was sent to Miss Haughton, who is at present at Ramsgate:—"Nurses' League Members assembled at dinner send you best wishes."

The dinner was served with the expedition which always characterises the service on these occasions, and the Sisters presided at the head of the tables, which were decorated with red and white flowers. After dinner it is the pleasant custom for the guests to assemble in the hall where coffee is served, and this affords a much appreciated opportunity for conversation, and one of those rare occasions for renewing old friendships so much prized by busy workers.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting was held in the Nurses' Sitting Room, the Chair being taken by Miss F. A. Sheldon, Lady Superintendent of the Trained Nurses Institute.

Miss Sheldon, in the name of all members of the League, present and absent, gave a very hearty welcome to Miss Hogg on her appointment as Matron of the Hospital, and referred to the tragic cause of Miss Haughton's resignation. She asked the support and co-operation of all members of the League for Miss Hogg.

She then invited Miss Swift to move a vote of thanks to Miss Haughton.

Miss Swift said that it was with mixed feelings she proposed a vote of thanks to Miss Haughton on account of her enforced retirement. Miss Haughton had taken a deep interest in the work of the League from its inception, and from the first gave her best help and advice on all points. When she was appointed Matron she also became

Hon. Secretary of the League, and all felt they had a real friend in her.

Miss Swift then spoke a few words of welcome to Miss Hogg. It was, she said, a difficult thing to take on the Matronship so suddenly as she had done, and she asked them to give her their warmest welcome and their help. Guy's nurses should help to keep up the standard of training. She moved a hearty vote of thanks to Miss Haughton for her invaluable work, and expressed all good wishes on behalf of the League to Miss Hogg on her appointment.

Miss Poolman, who cordially seconded the resolution, said that she was sure one and all would be delighted to support it, and it was carried by acclamation.

Miss Hogg, who, on rising, was warmly received, said that as Matron it was a very great pleasure to her to welcome the members of the League, though the meeting was smaller than usual owing to the difficulty and expense of travelling. She thanked Miss Swift and Miss Sheldon for their good wishes and the meeting for the way in which they had received the resolution.

HON. SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Miss Hogg then, as Hon. Secretary, presented her report of the year's work, which stated that between eighty and ninety members have been transferred to the past members' section during the year. 130 week-ends and days off have been spent at the Cottage, and 1,280 short visits had been paid.

1,518 volumes have been taken out of the Nurses' Library. Owing to the war very little has been done by the different clubs and societies, and the use of cameras having been still further restricted, it had not been thought expedient to hold a competitive exhibition of photographs, but a few photographs had been got together which it was hoped would be of interest to members.

In December, a copy of the new edition of the *Nursing Guide* was sent out to members, and a small gift in the form of a calendar with a photograph of the hospital was sent to nurses working in military hospitals abroad with the best wishes of the League, which had been much appreciated.

HONOURS FOR GUY'S NURSES.

Since the last Annual Meeting the following Guy's Nurses have received the Royal Red Cross:—

ROYAL RED CROSS.

First Class.—Misses L. V. Haughton, E. M. Newton, N. Suart, C. Todd, A. Willes, E. C. Cheetham, A. B. Nunn, M. L. Potter.

Second Class.—Misses E. F. Beloe, A. M. Blott, Mrs. Clarke (née Crocker), Misses M. E. Cook, M. E. Hobhouse, B. A. Hope, L. E. Jolley, A. R. I. Lowe, M. E. Marsh, M. J. Nawn, S. A. Selby, L. G. Shield, K. E. G. Taylor, D. Woollett, E. Stedman, K. Vine, M. Willes.

During the war 11 Guy's Nurses have received the Royal Red Cross 1st class, 19 the R.R.C. 2nd class, and 27 have been mentioned in dispatches.

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