

A CHARTER OF MOTHERHOOD.

The Memorandum on the National Care of Maternity, issued by the Women's Co-operative Guild, is, we have no hesitation in saying, the most interesting that has ever been published on the subject. The Guild, which interviewed Lord Rhondda, President of the Local Government Board, to urge the immediate establishment of a Ministry of Health, is of opinion that it is vital to the welfare of the country that an enlightened and generous care of maternity should replace the present indifference and neglect. They show how working women, during the months of pregnancy, often go out charring and washing to put by for the time of confinement; how a woman goes without food to provide for her husband and children; how she washes and dresses the children till the last minute before childbirth; cooks meals she is too tired to eat; and does all her own housework. The workers ask for a maternity allowance for all women below the old income tax allowance of £160, for the establishment of a Public Health Service of Midwives, who should be secured a salary of £150, supplemented by Home Helps, unassociated with the Poor Law, or with inquisitorial methods, that dinners should be provided based entirely on the health needs of mother and child, not as charity, but as medical treatment. In short, they know and have shown, where the shoe pinches.

CENTRAL MIDWIVES BOARD.

At the Examination of the Central Midwives' Board, held on May 1st in London and the Provinces 477 candidates were examined; and 386 passed. The percentage of failures was 19.

LIST OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES. LONDON.

British Hospital for Mothers and Babies.—J. Melliss, G. L. Phillips.

Clapham Maternity Hospital.—C. M. Alderman.
City of London Lying-in Hospital.—E. M. Castwood, E. F. Cook, L. Davies, N. O'Dwyer, A. T. C. Olsen, E. Orchin, K. White.

East End Mothers' Home.—E. M. Chapman, H. Dalton, D. E. Little, C. Mitchell, E. M. Mitchell, A. M. Mittell, N. Palmer, E. J. Shepherd, C. Shilcock.

Edmonton Union Infirmary.—D. V. Barclay, W. S. Osborn, M. E. Seaward, I. C. Sieverdink.

General Lying-in Hospital.—D. Beagarie, I. M. Bosley, E. M. Crossley, E. J. E. Davies, R. M. Entwistle, C. B. Hale, N. E. Howes, C. E. Knight, E. A. McReddie, E. F. V. Mangelsdorff, H. M. Moyers, K. F. Mugliston, E. M. Paxton, E. E. Payne, G. E. Ramsdale, B. L. Rayner, S. L. Readhead, E. L. E. Rendell, A. M. Roy, A. S. A. Saville, D. E. Shute, C. E. Turner, L. V. Turner, D. M. Wright.

Greenwich Union Infirmary.—T. Nugent, M. J. Jagg.

Guy's Institution.—G. M. Franklin, E. G. Hopkins, M. B. Lockwood, I. W. Longbourne, M. A. Smith, A. M. Taylor.

Hackney Union Infirmary.—B. M. Barford, D. Dillon, C. Riley.

Kensington Union Infirmary.—E. M. Pratley.
Lambeth Parish Workhouse.—E. Downs, M. C. E. Lockyear, B. M. Whittle.

London Hospital.—E. G. Chalmers, E. M. Crocker, S. J. Davies, M. E. Gray, R. B. E. Hall, A. E. Jones.

Maternity Nursing Association.—I. S. Bartrum, E. K. Gillett, L. Hall, A. S. Hiscock, M. J. M. Jones, J. White.

Middlesex Hospital.—A. C. Carlyle, F. M. Fletcher, M. N. Jones, S. G. Landon, A. Schut.

New Hospital for Women.—E. B. Mace, F. E. Prested.

Plaistow Maternity Charity.—R. E. Ayton, C. B. Baker, D. E. Baker, A. Barrett, G. Beaumont, K. F. Berry, F. E. Betts, E. L. Blackler, M. I. Brinnand, F. L. Brown, N. Brown, P. G. Churchill, A. C. Clapp, L. Darby, R. E. Darch, M. N. D. Edmunds, E. Eke, L. L. Elliott, A. Garside, D. M. Greenfield, M. M. Hawkins, F. E. Hayward, M. S. Hitchcock, E. Holden, E. Jordon, E. M. Lang, H. Morris, A. M. Mosley, E. M. Moxon, B. E. Naylor, L. M. Patrick, A. M. Payne, M. J. Peters, L. M. Piles, M. Pride, E. L. Searle, E. Sharrat, R. E. Smith, E. S. Stockley, E. E. Taviner, C. E. Wroth.

Pemberton Nursing Institute and New Hospital for Women.—C. Reeves, C. A. Webb.

Queen Charlotte's Hospital.—M. F. Bruce, A. C. Chamier, C. V. Chevallier, F. G. Clark, D. Crane, M. C. F. Edwards, F. Hobson, M. Hodgson, E. C. Imray, M. B. Jones, A. Kennedy, A. Phillips, G. C. A. Sadler, G. G. Staplee, M. C. A. Steward, C. M. Sutton, M. E. Thomlinson, W. R. Warrenner, E. M. Wenham, A. M. Werder, C. E. Wheeler, D. Wilson, E. E. Worvell.

Salvation Army Mothers' Hospital.—E. L. Hart, J. E. Parsons, M. A. A. Pleasant.

St. Bartholomew's Hospital.—L. P. Duffett, G. Hancock.

St. Marylebone Workhouse Infirmary.—L. W. Barrett, E. B. Scanlon.

St. Thomas' Hospital and General Lying-in Hospital.—I. H. Brown, A. M. J. Carolan.

South Western Maternity Home and Kensington Union Infirmary.—M. E. Cartmell.

University College Hospital.—A. D. Black, E. Pinnell.

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Aldershot, Louise Margaret Hospital.—J. Buchan, C. M. V. Carroll, M. B. Johnson, E. Wale.

Aston Union Workhouse.—M. M. Murphy.

Birkenhead Maternity Hospital.—E. C. Fallows, A. M. Pugh.

Birmingham Maternity Hospital.—E. Allott, M. J. Francis, R. J. Gibbins, W. E. James, E. Keighley, M. Lunt, H. MacDonald, H. L. B. Millington, A. E. Quarrell, E. A. Shortland, E. R. Whewell, E. Williams, L. E. Wray.

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