

enced and competent. She thought it would be well for midwives to attend the students' cases, so that a qualified person should be in attendance.

In a lucid summary, Sir William Collins pointed out that the Conference were agreed that the ideal should be to secure that no parturient woman should be unattended, or inadequately or improperly attended. There was practically no difference of opinion as to (a) and (c).

In regard to (b), Sir Francis Champneys had warned them against ambiguity, and had questioned the ability of the midwife to render the necessary service during the lying-in period. That was a reason for extending the training.

Then there was the question of the fully qualified nurse working under the six months trained midwife. That she was not willing to do.

The question was how to improve the calling of a midwife so as to make her a competent obstetrician.

The conference closed with the usual votes of thanks.

NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

Every time we receive a copy of the Report of the N.U.T.N. we marvel at its completeness and wealth of detail, and we are glad to note that in spite of the war and of professional turmoil—the Union has accomplished a vast amount of good work during the past year at a very small cost.

Miss E. L. C. Eden, the founder and spirit of the Union, is now honorary advisor, Miss H. L. Pearse, Hon. Secretary, and Miss Rimmer, Hon. Organizing and General Secretary. We advise every member to study very carefully the report of the Executive Committee on page 21, which we hope to reprint for the benefit of our readers, as few have time apparently to make clear deductions for themselves, and this is an art in which Miss Eden is a past mistress.

Miss E. M. Pye, who is organizing so successfully the nursing department of Friends' Relief Work in France, sent the following letter of encouragement to Miss Eden :—

"I very much regret that I shall be unable to be present at the Council meeting. *I think the fight for democratic principles and self-government of our profession, that is being waged at home by the N.U.T.N. is doing the greatest possible service to our cause, and we, who are abroad and too much occupied to give it much attention, owe a very heavy debt of gratitude to its leaders. With every good wish for your Union.*"

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TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS.

Miss Agnes Kerr is appointed to Barrow-in-Furness as Senior Nurse; Miss Lilius Fraser, to Central St. Pancras; Miss Marion McAlister, to King's Lynn; Miss Edith A. Morris, to Rotherhithe; Miss Sarah Norledge, to Portsmouth.

APPOINTMENTS.

MATRON.

Clapham Maternity Hospital, S.W.—Miss Lucie Howells has been appointed Matron. She at present holds the position of Assistant Matron and Home Sister of the Midland and Birmingham Women's Hospital, Sparkhill.

Haslemere and District Cottage Hospital.—Miss Ethel Hargreave has been appointed Matron. She was trained at the Chelsea Infirmary, London; and has held the position of Ward Sister and of Assistant Matron at the Samaritan Free Hospital.

NURSE MATRON.

Mary Hewetson Hospital, Keswick.—Miss E. Alice Makins has been appointed Nurse-Matron. She was trained at the Royal Infirmary, Liverpool, and has been ward and theatre Sister at the Liverpool Children's Infirmary, and at the Southport General Infirmary; and Night Superintendent and Assistant Matron at the Royal Hospital for Mental Diseases, Edinburgh.

SISTER-HOUSEKEEPER.

King's College Hospital, Denmark Hill, S.E.—Miss Florence Hancock has been appointed Sister Housekeeper. She was trained at King's College Hospital, and held the position of Night Sister and Ward Sister at the same Hospital till 1912. She, then, for two years held the position of Queen's Nurse; and since the Territorial Force Nursing Service was mobilized in 1914 has been a Sister at the 4th London General Hospital.

THEATRE SISTER.

Royal Victoria and West Hants Hospital, Boscombe.—Miss Ada Guthrie has been appointed Theatre Sister. She was trained at the Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow; and has been Ward Sister at the General Hospital, Edmonton; and Charge Sister at Queen's Park Military Hospital, Blackburn.

SISTER.

The Hospital, Bridge Street, Paisley.—Miss Christina Auld has been appointed Sister in charge of diphtheria and enteric wards. She was trained at the Shoreditch Infirmary, and at the Falkirk Infectious Diseases Hospital, and has been Sister in charge of a male ward at the Shoreditch Infirmary, and Sister at the County Hospital, Motherwell.

HEALTH VISITOR.

Urban District Council of Chiswick.—Miss Daisy Stewart has been appointed second Lady Health Visitor. She has been Lecturer on Domestic Hygiene at Great Crosby, Tuberculosis Nurse and Health Visitor at Leicester and Wadsworth, Superintendent Health Visitor at Walsall, Superintendent Nurse and Inspector of Midwives under the West Riding County Council, and Organising Visitor under the Liverpool Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

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