

the Nurses' Home. They were considering building an annexe to the Nurses' Home, with accommodation for fifty or sixty nurses, and if this plan took definite shape they would count upon the Lord Mayor's support of the appeal they would make to the City Council for a grant in aid of the building fund.

Money could not be expended in a better cause.

The Gentlewoman of April 12th opens with an Editorial entitled "A Triumph for the Nursing Profession," in which it states: "Last Friday's debate in the House of Commons may justly be described as a triumph for the nursing profession," and adds, in reference to the Nurses' Registration Bill: "The measure is really a necessary complement to the Ministry of Health. No arrangements for the improvement of the health of the people could possibly be satisfactory that did not take into consideration a profession which is only second in importance to the medical profession itself."

We are indebted to *The Gentlewoman* for permission to use this telling little sketch of "Sairy" and a "Registered Nurse."

The Leicester Royal Infirmary sets an excellent example to kindred institutions in notifying the Secretary of the Approved Society in which the Sisters and Nurses are insured. It is headed:

Leicester Royal Infirmary,
Date.....

I beg to inform you that Miss _____,
on the Staff of this Institution, has reported
sick this day.

HARRY JOHNSON,
House Governor and Secretary.

Sisters and Nurses are often warded when seriously ill, and fail to notify their sickness within the prescribed time, and thus run the risk, by breaking the law, of loss of weekly insurance. In many hospitals no officer attends to this matter for nurses too ill to care for themselves. We commend the Leicester postcard—it is considerate for the nurse and

saves the Approved Society Secretary much worry and loss of time.

The Executive Committee of the Central Council for District Nursing in London, whose meetings are held at the Local Government Board, have passed the following resolution:—

That it be a condition of a grant from the council that the minimum commencing salary of a resident nurse shall be not less than £50 clear, and that the minimum in the case of non-resident nurses be £50 clear over and above a reasonable allowance paid in consideration of board and lodging.

The matter was first brought to the notice of the Council, it is stated, by the trustees of the London Parochial Charities, who have made handsome contributions to the funds distributed by the Council to the District Nursing Associations of London.

The resolution has been circulated to the district nursing associations of London.

Here is a clear case for lay committees controlling trained nurses to read a professional nursing journal, so that they may keep in touch with the opinions and requirements of those they control. THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING has advocated £50 as the minimum salary for a Queen's Nurse for many years past.



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In the House of Commons on April 10th the President of the Local Government Board replied to a question by Captain Ainsworth as to the possibility of some method of co-ordination with the State of municipal authorities, so that the services of district nurses could be utilised.

Dr. Addison said that district nursing associations are already co-operating with the local authorities in providing midwifery and nursing services. The Local Government Board would continue to encourage such co-operation.

Subscriptions to the Victory Thank Offering should be sent to Miss M. Breay, Hon. Sec., Society for the State Registration of Nurses, 431, Oxford Street, London, W. 1.

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