

upon him. He knew that the ladies had not spared themselves in their task, and he would thank them in advance.

APPOINTMENT OF CLERICAL STAFF.

SIR JENNER VERRALL then recommended the appointment of three members of the clerical staff as shorthand writers and typists—senior, Miss G. Harrison; second, Miss Gertrude Bates; third, Miss Kate King. These ladies had been interviewed by the Finance Committee. Miss Harrison was already known to them, as she had done work for them at the Ministry.

MISS COULTON seconded the recommendation that the three ladies should be appointed and it was carried.

SIR JENNER then proposed that the Sub-Committee and Finance Committee should be empowered to appoint a Lady Accountant on probation, and this was seconded by Miss Swiss, and agreed.

The housekeeper and assistant housekeeper were also provisionally appointed.

On the proposition of DR. GOODALL—with which SIR JENNER VERRALL agreed—it was decided that the recommendations of the Finance Committee should in the future be previously circulated to the Council.

The Chairman was empowered to open an account with the branch of the London City and Midland Bank nearest to the Headquarters of the Council.

The Report was then agreed and this terminated the business of the meeting.

New Address of the General Nursing Council of England and Wales.

The official Headquarters of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales is now 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, London, N.W., to which all communications should be addressed.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND.

NOTE OF PROCEEDINGS AT MEETING OF THE GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR SCOTLAND HELD AT 13, MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST, AT 12.10 P.M.

The Registrar submitted correspondence passing between him and the Registrar of the English Council. This was considered, and the Registrar was instructed to point out to the English Council that the Scottish Council were as strongly opposed as the English Council to the proposal of the Scottish Board of Health to certify for registration in the General Part of the Register existing nurses on the Board's Fever Register, and that the delay in having the Scottish Council's Rules approved by the Board was due to their objections to this proposal.

A remit was made to the Syllabus Committee to prepare a short Examination Syllabus suitable for distribution to intending probationers.

The remaining business was formal.

GENERAL NURSING COUNCIL FOR IRELAND.

REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

An important meeting of the Registration Committee of the General Nursing Council for Ireland was held on Thursday, June 2nd, at the offices of the Irish Public Health Council, 33, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, to deal with the numerous applications received for admission to the Irish Register of Nurses. Sir Edward Coey Bigger presided, and there were also present:—

Miss M. Huxley, Matron, Elpis Private Hospital, Dublin (Vice-Chairman); Colonel Sir William Taylor, C.B., F.R.C.S.I; Miss Reeves, Matron, Dr. Stevens' Hospital; Miss O'Flynn, Matron, Children's Hospital, Temple Street, Dublin; Miss Michie, Superintendent, Queen Victoria Jubilee Institute for Nurses; and Miss Matheson, Hon. Secretary, Irish Board College of Nursing.

The Committee hope to meet every three weeks to deal with the applications from existing nurses, as these cases must be dealt with within the statutory period of grace if they are to obtain the benefit of admission without examination.

NATIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

The Report of the N.U.T.N., 1920-1921, recently issued, records another year of active work successfully accomplished. Miss Helen Pearce has become President and many old friends are giving her support. The aims and objects of the Union have always been very high, and its members are inspired to follow along in the footsteps of the founders and promote, through the co-operation and effectiveness of the profession, the good of the community.

The Executive Committee has wisely been keeping its eye on the work of the General Nursing Councils, and naturally upholds the uniform standard of training for reciprocal registration between the three Councils, and hopes the Rules will soon be available for the consideration of nurses desiring to register.

The Employment Centre of the Union reports that some very good posts have been secured through its bureau, and the proceeds of the sale and concerts have amounted to upwards of £100. The Union is most economically conducted considering the great cost of administration in these days. We have already congratulated the Union on the handsome legacy left to it for special purposes by Miss Mariabella Fry.

The Report states: "Members will be interested to know that the action brought by the College of Nursing, Ltd., to force an apology from Miss M'Grath, Secretary of the Manchester Branch, was allowed by them to lapse, although Miss M'Grath was most anxious to have the matter brought into court. As this was impossible without a counter action, she accepted taxed costs from the College of Nursing Ltd."

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