

tion intermediate as well as a final examination. No nurse will be required to pass this intermediate examination until further notice.

## 2. SYLLABUS OF NURSING EDUCATION.

A draft and detailed syllabus of Nursing Education was submitted and fully discussed. Subsequently permission was obtained to have the same printed in pamphlet form with explanatory notes, to be circulated to Hospitals and Poor-Law Infirmaries for the guidance of Training Schools. Sanction is sought that this syllabus, as suggested, be circulated.

3. It was proposed by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick and seconded by Miss Cox Davies that an informal Conference be held to discuss the future schedule to be submitted to the training schools for their guidance, and that all branches be included and representatives invited to attend.

The sanction of the Council is sought for this action.

4. It was proposed by Mrs. Bedford Fenwick, and seconded by Miss Villiers that the quorum for the Education Committee be *five* instead of *seven*.

The sanction of the Council is sought for this action.

## 3. EXAMINATION CENTRES.

The question of examinations and examination centres is under discussion. The examination centres were considered. Miss Sparshott proposed and Miss Peterkin seconded for the consideration of the Council that the following fourteen places be chosen as suitable centres for examinations, others to be added if necessity arises:

London.	Cardiff.
Birmingham.	Carlisle.
Bristol.	Norwich.
Leeds.	Nottingham.
Liverpool.	Portsmouth.
Manchester.	Exeter.
Newcastle-on-Tyne.	Sheffield.

MISS LLOYD STILL moved that the Report be received. This was seconded by DR. GOODALL, and agreed.

The various items were then moved, seconded, and adopted.

In connection with the Intermediate Examination the CHAIRMAN stated it was proposed that nurses should be at liberty, at first, to take this examination at any time.

Seconding the recommendation of the Committee moved by MISS LLOYD STILL "that an informal conference should be held to discuss the future Schedule to be submitted to the Training Schools for their guidance, and that all branches be included and representatives invited to attend," MRS. BEDFORD FENWICK said that the Council wanted the sympathy of the Training Schools. They were going to consider the difficult question of the curriculum for future nurses. The Rules for existing and intermediate nurses were comparatively easy. They did not touch education, but those for future nurses would have to be very

carefully considered, and would have to deal with reciprocal training and, probably, alternative curricula, including the field of Public Health. They wanted the sympathy and the combined wisdom of all interested in the question in framing these Rules.

The Report was adopted.

## Report of the Finance Committee.

The Report of the Finance Committee was submitted by Sir Jenner Verrall, Chairman. Payments for the half-year were £684 11s. 7d., leaving a balance of £4,315 8s. 5d., which with interest £114 4s. 3d., made the balance in January, 1921, £4,429 12s. 8d.

The Finance Committee reported that at their meeting on February 1st, they had examined the accounts submitted, and found that the expenditure was properly incurred, and recommended that the Council should approve their payment.

These were passed for payment.

In connection with the house at 12, York Gate, the Sub-Committee dealing with the furnishing were authorised to keep in mind the sum of £1,500, as that about which the Council considered desirable to expend, and to get estimates from such firms as they considered advisable.

The terms of the lease of the house were then considered, with the recommendation that the Council should authorise its seal to be affixed thereto, and this was agreed.

It was arranged that the date of the next meeting should be fixed by the Chairman when a reply to certain questions had been received from the Minister of Health.

MISS MACDONALD moved, and it was unanimously agreed, that the thanks of the Council should be accorded to the Chairman for the able way in which he had placed its views before the Minister of Health on the previous day.

The meeting then terminated.

## THE ROYAL BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

The publication of the fortnightly Supplement of the Royal British Nurses Association has been deferred until our next issue, as it was agreed that the members would wish to have as full a Report this week as possible of the proceedings of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, at its meeting on February 2nd, in which they are so deeply interested.

Those members of the Association who have had the pleasure of seeing the Egyptian Collection of University College, Gower Street, W.C., will be delighted that another opportunity of so doing will be possible on Saturday, February 26th, when Miss Margaret Murray (Assistant to Professor Flinders Petrie) will kindly conduct a party over the collection at 2.30 p.m. Members who have not so far had this great privilege and pleasure should keep this date free, and not fail to attend if in any way possible.

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