

The Sale will be opened by the Marchioness of Ailsa, President of the Club, and members and friends are heartily invited to be present. Scottish people have a perfect genius for bazaars, and often make piles of money at them.

We learn that the Club is now more crowded than ever, and that the extended premises will be a great relief. The Committee is actually in possession of the adjoining house now, but the necessary alterations will take time to complete. Alterations and furnishing will cost a good deal, and it is necessary to raise a substantial sum for the latter purpose, so that there may be no delay in getting the full use of the premises. We wish the good work every success. The admirable Secretary, Miss M. K. Stewart, will forward further information to those interested in the Sale if necessary. We wonder if there will be any *real* Scotch oatmeal on sale? We cannot procure it in London, and could do with some!

Mr. Harold Baline, F.R.C.S., D.P.H., Dean of the School of Medicine, Shantung Christian University, has written a book on "China and Modern Medicine: A Study in Medical Missionary Development," published by the United Council for Missionary Education, which contains a chapter on the "Advent of the Chinese Nurse." Concerning this, Dr. Arnold C. Ingle says, in "Medical Missions at Home and Abroad":—

"The chapter on the 'Advent of the Chinese Nurse' reads like a romance. The state of the hospitals and the lack of any conception of nursing on the part of the Chinese before the first Western nurse arrived on the scenes little more than thirty years ago are vividly described, as are also the difficulties those first nurses had to contend with, not less in their way than the pioneer doctors had to encounter. We read how these difficulties were overcome, of the beginning of the training of Chinese girls and men as nurses, and the difficulty of instilling into them ideas which were so new and so contrary to any previous conceptions. And now to-day there is a Nursing Association of China, with a membership of 183 foreign and 48 Chinese graduate nurses, and there are 52 registered training schools, and 150 Chinese nurses have passed the examination and received the diploma of the Association."

We regret to hear that the condition of Miss J. B. N. Paterson's health necessitates a long rest, so she is taking a trip to New Zealand to visit friends and see the result of Dr. Truby King's latest methods. She is one of his most appreciative pupils in "baby culture."

## RULES FOR THE REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

### ENGLAND, SCOTLAND AND IRELAND.

As our readers are aware from previous expert information published in this Journal, Parliament passed three distinct Acts for the Registration of Nurses—for England, Scotland and Ireland—which provided for three separate authorities the General Nursing Councils, empowered to frame Rules for the conduct of their own business, and for defining the standards of education and systems of registration applicable to the nurses in the three parts of the Kingdom. The three Councils began their deliberations in the spring of 1920; and the Rules framed by them for the registration of (1) Existing Nurses, and (2) Nurses with Intermediate qualifications have now been severally approved for England by the Minister of Health, for Scotland by the Scottish Board of Health, and for Ireland by the Chief Secretary for Ireland. These Rules are now printed and on sale, and as many confusing deductions concerning them are appearing in the press, our advice to nurses is to purchase a copy of the Rules when sending for a Form of Application for Registration—so that before filling up the form, they may study the conditions for themselves.

The English Rules cost 1s. 2d., post free, from the Registrar, 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, London, N.W. 1; the Scottish Rules cost 1s. 2d., post free, from the Registrar, 13, Melville Street, Edinburgh, and the Irish Rules, price 4d., post free, from the Registrar, 33, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.

The Acts provide for three classes of Nurses: (1) Existing Nurses—nurses who had completed three years' training—or training and practice before the 1st November, 1919; (2) Intermediate Nurses—nurses whose three years' training terminated subsequent to that date, and before the Rules for State Examination come into force, and (3) Future Nurses who will be trained for not less than three years according to the Syllabus framed by the General Nursing Councils, preparatory to registration after a State Examination defined by the Councils.

The Rules signed provide the conditions for the registration of Existing and Intermediate Nurses. Those for Future Nurses to be registered after examination are now under consideration. The Rules provide for five parts of the Register: (1) A General Part for General Trained Nurses, and for four Supplementary Parts, for Male Nurses, Mental Nurses, Sick Children's Nurses, and Fever Nurses.

### CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION TO THE REGISTERS. EXISTING NURSES.

The following evidence of knowledge and experience, which is not entirely uniform, will be required from every person who makes application for admission as an Existing Nurse to be placed on the General Parts of the Registers—in England, Scotland and Ireland. All applicants must be of the female sex and must satisfy the Councils that they are of good

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