RULES FOR THE REGISTRATION OF NURSES.

ENGLAND, SCOTLAND, AND IRELAND. MALE NURSES.

Having in foregoing issues compared the Rules for the registration of nurses on the General Part of the Register, we come now to consider the Supplementary Parts for Male Nurses, whose training necessarily differs from that of a female nurse, as the care of infants, children and women do not form part of his duty.

ENGLAND.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO THE PART CONTAINING THE NAMES OF REGISTERED MALE NURSES.

(a) A certificate that the applicant has had not less than three years' training before the 1st November, 1919, in a Hospital or Institution approved by the Council for the training of male nurses, or evidence that he has had not less than three years' training before the date aforesaid, as a male nurse in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council or the Air Council, or that as to part of the period aforesaid, he has had training as a male nurse in such hospital or institution, and as to the remainder, training as a male nurse in such service as aforesaid ; or

(b) Evidence that the applicant has had not less than one year's training in a hospital or institution approved by the Council for the training of male nurses, or evidence that he has had not less than one year's training as a male nurse in the service of the Admiralty, Army Council or the Air Council, accompanied by evidence in either case that he has subsequently been *bona fide* engaged in practice as a male nurse in attendance on the sick for not less than two years before the 1st November, 1919.

SCOTLAND.

For Admission to the Supplementary Part of the Register Containing the Names of Male Nurses.

(a) A certificate from the Local Government Board for Scotland or from the Scottish Board of Health that the applicant possesses the qualification for this part of the Register required by the Department so certifying; (b) A certificate of not less than three years'

(b) A certificate of not less than three years' training before the 1st November, 1919, from a hospital or institution recognised by the Council for the training for the purposes of the Register of male nurses, or as a male nurse in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council, or the Air Council, or as to part of the said period in such a hospital or institution, and as to the remainder as a male nurse in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council, or the Air Council; or

(c) Evidence that the applicant has been for three years before the 1st day of November, 1919,

bona fide engaged in practice as a male nurse in attendance on the sick—evidence that at least the first one of the said three years has been spent as a male nurse in a hospital or institution for the treatment of the sick recognised by the Council under this Section, or in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council, or the Air Council, or as to part of said one year in such hospital or institution, and as to the remainder as a male nurse in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council, or the Air Council.

IRELAND.

CONDITIONS OF ADMISSION AS MALE NURSES.

(1) Male applicants who satisfy the conditions prescribed . . . will be admitted to the Supplementary Part of the Register containing the names of Male Nurses provided they can produce satisfactory evidence of having carried out prior to the 1st November, 1919:—

(a) Not less than three years' approved training in a hospital or institution, or in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council or the Air Council; or

(b) Not less than one year's approved training in such Hospital or Institution or in the service of the Admiralty, the Army Council or the Air Council, with at least two years' subsequent *bona fide* practice in nursing.

WHERE THE RULES DIFFER.

Practically, as will be seen, there is very little difference in the three sets of Rules as to the registration of male nurses. Scotland recognises a certificate from the Local Government Board for Scotland, and from the Scottish Board of Health, without defining the qualifications. This Rule prevents uniformity with those framed in England and Ireland.

ROYAL BRITISH NURSES' ASSOCIATION.

LECTURE.

On Saturday, October 8th, Miss Good, M.R.B.N.A., will lecture at 194, Queen's Gate at 4.30 p.m., on "A New Impulse in Education." Miss Good is a keen student of psychology and has given much thought and study to matters connected with the evolution of the mind. This year she used her holiday to go to Dornach in Switzerland to attend courses of lectures in connection with a wonderful new school of psychological thought and so we look forward to an interesting and very helpful lecture on the 8th.

Several members may remember a lecture which Miss Good gave before the Association over a year ago and how fascinating and interesting was her treatment of her subject. We advise all who can to make a point of being present. The charge for the lecture will be one shilling, inclusive of tea, which will be served at 4 p.m.

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