

WHERE TO REGISTER.

The time is getting on when "Registered Nurses" will each have votes for the nurses they wish to represent them on the General Nursing Councils for a period of five years. Nurses with a sense of personal and professional responsibility will therefore be wise to apply for registration at an early date.

Applicants who desire to do so can take their original certificates with a copy, and have the former verified at the Office and take it away again. This saves trouble on both sides. Hours from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 5 p.m.

In England and Wales.—Apply to the Registrar, G.N.C., 12, York Gate, Regent's Park, London, N.W.

In Scotland.—Apply to the Registrar, 13, Melville Street, Edinburgh

In Ireland.—Apply to the Registrar, 33, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.

THE PROFESSIONAL UNION OF TRAINED NURSES.

It would seem from THE BRITISH JOURNAL OF NURSING that certain Poor-Law Guardians are very much concerned about the Syllabus of the General Nursing Council, their opinion being that the standard is too high. That, of course, will depend entirely upon what the Guardians require of probationers in their infirmaries.

I could give the name of one, which is almost within the sound of Bow Bells, where the probationers are required to stoke the furnaces when the stokers are off duty. When their duties are as comprehensive as that, it will be hard for them to find time to work up to the standard of the General Nursing Council, but is it not time that a girl should enter a hospital in the same way as her brother does, *i.e.*, as a student, and not as—I had almost said a charwoman, when I recollected that in all probability the charwoman would refuse to do the stoking, and many other things besides which are required of a probationer?

MAUDE MACCALLUM,
Hon. Secretary.

"WASTE NOT, WANT NOT."

Under the title, "Waste Not, Want Not: How to Make a Little go a Long Way," the Food Education Society, Danes Inn House, 265, Strand, W.C. 2, has, by request, prepared notes for distribution by Education Authorities, in schools and continuation classes, and by Relieving Officers. These hints on healthful economy are approved by the highest authorities on food and cookery, and should also prove useful to social workers, teachers, heads of households and institutions. Specimen copy, 2d., post free, with prices for quantities; or with "Economical Dishes for Workers" and "Facts for Patriots," 7d.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS.

A GIFT FROM MISS NUTTING TO THE G.N.C.

In the summer Professor Adelaide Nutting, of the Department of Nursing and Health, Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York, honoured the Headquarters of the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, 12, York Gate, London, with a visit. She was greatly impressed with the environment, and in a letter received this week addressed to Mrs. Fenwick, Professor Nutting encloses £5, and writes:—"How happy a memory I have of those two days in London with you and Miss Breay. . . . Will you kindly use the enclosed to place within your Council Headquarters some small thing, book or picture, from your colleague across the seas—with warmest good wishes for the continued success of the work."

Indeed, we feel sure every Registered Nurse will wish to expend this gift and connect it by some means with the name of the donor, honoured as she is throughout the nursing world. If we might make a suggestion it would be that the monumental work "A History of Nursing," of which Adelaide Nutting and Lavinia Dock are joint authors, should be worthily bound, contain their autographs, and be donated to the Council.

We thank Professor Nutting for her generous thought of us.

From the Foreign Department (under the editorship of Miss Dock) of the *American Journal of Nursing*, we may quote the following paragraphs and expression of opinion. It is good for us to see ourselves as others see us in these international days:—

LETTERS FROM ENGLAND.

"From England Miss Nutting sent delightful accounts of her visits with nursing leaders. She wrote:—

I saw a good deal of our good friends Mrs. Fenwick and Margaret Breay. Under Mrs. Fenwick's immediate guidance I visited the Headquarters of the Nursing Council and also the new Club of the Royal British Nurses' Association. You may be sure I missed nothing. The whole picture was a delight to the eye of one who knew what it all represented. The new headquarters is a most interesting combination of dignity and charm and is at once properly official and very sweet and home-like. They were fortunate in finding a fine old house near Regent's Park of the kind one sees in London, but nowhere else in the world as far as I know. It is pleasant and spacious without and within, and while it might have been devoted purely to equipping the necessary offices for one Register a quite different element has been introduced. From the moment you enter the door to the last comfortable little suite of rooms on the top floor, you are conscious of a most inviting atmosphere. Such artistic colour schemes of walls and wood-work, such exquisite bits of old furniture and those touches everywhere which speak of rare taste and loving devotion. . . . One could hardly imagine a more attractive place in which to set up the machinery that finally brings the nurse under the direction of a professional body created by the State. . . . There is

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